

ORDINANCE NO. ____

**CITY OF ST. ANTHONY
HENNEPIN AND RAMSEY COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ST. ANTHONY CITY CODE,
BY AMENDING SECTIONS OF THE CITY CODE RELATING TO
ADMINISTRATION, PERMITTING AND FEES, SIGNAGE, NATURAL
LANDSCAPES, TRANSIENT/TEMPORARY BUSINESS LICENSING,
VARIOUS PERFORMANCE STANDARDS, AND
LAND USE ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. ANTHONY HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section §33.001 is hereby amended to read as follows:

33.001 FEES

The city's fee, rates, and charges for licenses, permits, and municipal services are the amounts set forth in this chapter. Actions taken without first obtaining the required licenses or permits or any applications for renewal license submitted after the license term expiration or otherwise a declared application deadline are subject to a penalty fee, which shall be determined from time to time by the City Council.

Section 2. Section §154.007 is hereby amended to add the following:

154.007 Definitions: Retaining Wall

Retaining Wall: That which is erected as a permanent barrier, affixed along its entire length to the ground or some immovable structure to impede the movement or erosion of soil. Retaining Walls shall be subject to the applicable requirements of other fences.

Section 3. Section §151.04 is hereby amended to read as follows:

150.088 Definitions:

MANAGED NATURAL LANDSCAPES: planned, intentional, and maintained planting of native or nonnative grasses, wildflowers, forbs, ferns, shrubs, or trees, including but not limited to rain gardens, meadow vegetation, and ornamental plants. Managed natural landscapes does not include turf-grass lawns left unattended for the purpose of returning to a natural state.

Section 4. Section 151.10(E) is hereby amended to read as follows:

(E) Yard cover. Every yard of premises on which a dwelling stands must be

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covered by lawns and/or ground cover of vegetation, gardens, hedges, shrubbery, rock or wood mulch, or related decorative materials consistent with those commonly available at home and garden stores, and must be maintained. Once an area has been converted to turf grass the land owner shall not allow the turf grass to exceed the height of 6 inches or be allowed to go to seed. No land owner may permit or maintain on the land any growth of weeds, grass, brush or other rank vegetation to exceed the height of 6 inches, any accumulation of dead weeds, grass or brush, or any noxious weeds or plants as defined by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture. The planned, intentional, and maintained planting of native or nonnative grasses, wildflowers, forbs, ferns, shrubs, or trees, including but not limited to rain gardens, meadow vegetation, and ornamental plants, known as managed natural landscapes, shall be allowed. Managed natural landscapes does not include turf-grass lawns left unattended for the purpose of returning to a natural state.

- (1) Managed natural landscapes exceeding six (6) inches shall not be any closer to a fire source than twenty-five (25) feet.
- (2) Setback requirements for surfaces covered by managed natural landscapes shall be a minimum of three (3) feet from a side yard property line. No vegetative growth greater than eighteen (18) inches in height five (5) feet from any public roadway adjacent to the front yard, and for corner houses, a public roadway adjacent to the side yard.

Section 5. Section 91.56 is hereby amended to read as follows:

91.56 KEEPING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS.

No person may keep farm animals or wild animals as defined in this code, nor more than two dogs or three dogs allowed under §§ 91.01 through 91.03, or fowl, within the city nearer than 500 feet to any human habitation or platted land, without approval of the City Council.

Section 6. Section 112.18(B) is hereby amended to read as follows:

INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

(B) Police and health authorization. All police officers, or sanitarians of the city may inspect a multiple dwelling when requested to do so by the City Manager or designee.

Section 7. Section 151.04 Housing Maintenance Definitions, is hereby amended to add the following:

Definitions - TEMPORARY STORAGE CONTAINER: A fully enclosed storage unit or container without a permanent foundation and not exceeding 128 square feet, designed to be capable of relocation via towing, hauling or attachment to a vehicle from one site to another.

Section 8. Section 151.10 is hereby amended to add the following:

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151.10 (K) Temporary Storage Containers: A single temporary storage container, as defined by the chapter, may be placed and used on a property subject to the following requirements;

- 1) Must be placed on an improved surface as defined in code.
- 2) Duration may not exceed thirty (30) days.
- 3) Shall be placed no closer than five feet from any side or rear property line.
- 4) Shall not be placed within or as to block any portion of a sidewalk, path, or trail.
- 5) Shall not be placed within 15 feet of a water/fire hydrant.

Section 9. Section 157.29 is hereby amended to add the following:

157.29 ENFORCEMENT REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL.

All signs, greater than six (6) square feet per side and within a Commercial (C), Light Industrial (LI) or Planned Unit Development (PUD) zoning district shall be subject to the requirements of this subsection:

Section 10. Section 115.067 is hereby deleted in its entirety.

Section 11. Section 115.067 is hereby amended to read as follows:

115.067 LICENSING; EXEMPTIONS.

(A) *County license required.* No person shall conduct business as a peddler, solicitor, or transient merchant within the city limits without first having obtained the appropriate license from the county as required by M.S. Chapter 329, as it may be amended from time to time, if the county issues a license for the activity.

(B) No license shall be required of any person going from house-to-house, door-to-door, business-to-business, street-to-street, or other type of place-to-place when the activity is for the purpose of exercising that person's state or federal constitutional rights such as the freedom of speech, press, religion, and the like, except that this exemption may be lost if the person's exercise of constitutional rights is merely incidental to a commercial activity.

Section 12. The City Code of the City of St. Anthony is hereby amended as follows:

Wherever the term Code “Enforcement Official” is found, such title is hereby revised to read Code “Compliance Official”. The City Clerk shall mark the official zoning ordinance to effectuate this amendment.

Section 13. Section 154, Land Usage, is hereby amended to modify the term “permitted” to “allowed” where designated by the Zoning Administrator. The City Clerk shall mark the official zoning ordinance to effectuate this amendment.

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Section 14. The City Clerk is hereby directed to make the changes required by this Ordinance as part of the Official St. Anthony City Code, Title XV, Zoning Ordinance, and to renumber the tables and chapters accordingly as necessary to provide the intended effect of this Ordinance. The City Clerk is further directed to make necessary corrections to any internal citations that result from said renumbering process, provided that such changes retain the purpose and intent of the Zoning Ordinance as has been adopted.

Section 14. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and publication. This ordinance may be published by summary publication, per a duly adopted resolution of the City Council. The ordinance in its entirety and any related map shall be posted on the City website after publication. Copies of the complete Ordinance and map are available online and at St. Anthony City Hall for examination upon request.

ADOPTED BY the St. Anthony City Council this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Wendy Webster, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jennifer Doyle, City Clerk

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