

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO CODE ENFORCEMENT; AMENDING SECTION 9-20 OF THE ST. PETERSBURG CODE TO DEFINE "REPEAT VIOLATION;" AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature has amended the general law authorizing the creation of code enforcement boards by amending the definition of "repeat violation," and the City Council desires to amend Section 9-20 of the City Code to be consistent with Florida law, as set forth in this ordinance; now therefore

THE CITY OF ST. PETERSBURG DOES ORDAIN:

Section 1. Section 9-20 of the St. Petersburg City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9-20. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

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Repeat violation means a violation of a provision provisions of a code or ordinance by a person who has been previously found through a code enforcement board or any other quasi-judicial or judicial process, to have violated or who has admitted violating the same provision whom the Board or Special Magistrate has previously found to have violated the same provision on the same premises within five years prior to the violation, notwithstanding the violations occur at different locations.

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Section 2. In the event this ordinance is not vetoed by the Mayor in accordance with the City Charter, it shall become effective at the end of the fifth business day after adoption unless the Mayor notifies the City Council through written notice filed with the City Clerk that the Mayor will not veto the ordinance, in which case the ordinance shall take effect immediately upon filing such notice with the City Clerk. In the event this ordinance is vetoed by the Mayor in accordance with the City Charter, it shall not become effective unless and until the City Council overrides the veto in accordance with the City Charter, in which case it shall become effective immediately upon a successful vote to override the veto.

REVIEWED AND APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS:

DEPARTMENT:

City Attorney/Designee
