

Ordinance 0003-25 – Proposed Amended Ordinance Procedure

An ordinance to amend Chapter 2, Article II, Division 5 of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine, Wisconsin.

The Common Council of the City of Racine, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

Part 1: Chapter 2, Article II, Division 5, Section 2-119 is repealed and recreated as follows:

Sec. 2-119. - Action on ordinances.

- (a) All requests for amendments to the Code of Ordinances, including new ordinances, shall be in writing, made by the mayor or an alder, and shall be delivered to the clerk as a communication pursuant to section 2-117. The clerk shall direct such request to the standing committee specified by the requesting official, or if no such committee is specified, to the appropriate standing committee based upon the guidance provided in section 2-77 and elsewhere within this Code of Ordinances. The common council shall retain authority to modify committee referrals.
- (b) The standing committee to which the request is referred shall review the request. If the standing committee approves proceeding with the amendment, the clerk shall forward the committee's recommendations to the city attorney.
- (c) The city attorney shall draft proposed amendments to the Code of Ordinances based on the standing committee's recommendations, in consultation with the requesting official as needed. The city attorney shall draft such amendments as necessary to comply with relevant law. When the proposed amendments are drafted, and the requesting official is satisfied, the city attorney shall notify the clerk.
- (d) The clerk shall return the drafted amendments to the standing committee for review. The standing committee shall consider such proposed ordinance amendment and report its recommendation to the common council for final action. If revisions are needed, the standing committee or the common council shall return the draft to the city attorney with specific requested changes.

Part 2: This ordinance shall take effect upon passage by a majority vote of the members-elect of the City of Racine Common Council and publication or posting as required by law.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes section 62.09(8)(c), the mayor shall have the veto power as to all acts of the common council, except such as to which it is expressly or by necessary implication otherwise provided. All such acts shall be submitted to the mayor by the clerk and shall be in force upon approval evidenced by the mayor's signature, or upon failing to approve or disapprove within 5 days, which fact shall be certified thereon by the clerk. If the mayor disapproves, the mayor's objections shall be filed with the clerk, who shall present them to the

council at its next meeting. A two-thirds vote of all the members of the council shall then make the act effective notwithstanding the objections of the mayor.

PROPOSED