

CHAPTER XVIII

MISCELLANEOUS.

SECTION 18.00. (One way pair; referendum). No development project involving the establishment of a paired, one-way street system shall be undertaken, nor shall any agreement or action or proceeding therefore have any force or effect or be binding in any way upon the municipality, unless and until such proposed development project, be ratified and approved by a majority of the qualified voters of the municipality cast upon the question at a general or regular city election, or special election for that purpose, at which such question shall be submitted in substantially the following terms:

"Shall a paired, one-way street system be initiated, constructed and/or carried on by common council, or any municipal agency, in and for the City of Rochester, Minnesota?"

YES _____

NO _____

If majority of the qualified voters of the municipality voting upon the question shall vote in the affirmative, then the common council of the municipality shall thereupon be empowered to initiate, construct and carry out the establishment of said paired, one-way street system pursuant to law and according to a plan approved prior to said election by the common council.

If a majority of the qualified voters of the municipality voting upon the question shall vote in the negative, then the common council shall not initiate, or proceed with any plans already initiated, said paired, one-way street system in the municipality until authorized by the qualified voters of the municipality in the manner herein provided, and the question shall not again be submitted to those qualified voters for at least one year after the date of such election.

Special elections held pursuant to this section shall be held and conducted in the same manner and upon the same notice, and the returns thereon made in the same form and manner, as other special elections in the City of Rochester.

SECTION 18.01. (Legal newspaper). Subdivision 1. The common council shall at the first regular meeting in each year or within thirty days thereafter designate one newspaper possessing the qualifications of a legal newspaper as prescribed by state law as the official newspaper of the city for the period of one year then beginning and until a successor is designated. All ordinances, official notices, and other matters required by this charter or law to be published shall be published in the official newspaper.

Subd. 2. It shall be the duty of the official newspaper to file with the city clerk, immediately after the publication of any ordinance, resolution, notice or other matter, a copy of such publication, with an affidavit of the length of time the same has been published and such

affidavit shall be conclusive evidence of the publication of such resolution, ordinance, notice or other matter.

SECTION 18.001. (Revocable encroachment and improvement permits). The common council may by resolution authorize the issuance of revocable permits to allow abutting owners to make use of portions of public easements, and to make local improvements in, upon, or under the public easements and grounds, so long as such use or improvement does not materially interfere with the intended purpose of the public easement or public ground and is not in contravention of any other law or ordinance. Any revocable permit shall be subject to such terms and conditions as the council may deem appropriate. (3912, 3/2/09)

SECTION 18.02. (Effective date). This charter shall take effect, be in force, and supersede the present charter, except as herein otherwise provided, at the expiration of thirty (30) days from the date of the ratification hereof by the voters of the City of Rochester.¹

¹Editor's Note: this was August 21, 1904.