

ORDINANCE NO. 031211-11

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A RECODIFICATION OF THE CITY CODE; REPEALING THE CITY CODE OF 1992; READOPTING OFFENSES; AND PROVIDING PENALTIES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. The purpose of this ordinance is to make the law encompassed by the City Code more accessible and understandable by:

- (1) rearranging the law in a more logical order;
- (2) employing a format and numbering system designed to facilitate citation of the law and to accommodate future expansion of the law;
- (3) eliminating repealed, duplicative, unconstitutional, expired, executed, or other ineffective provisions; and
- (4) restating the law in modern American English to the greatest extent possible.

PART 2. As prescribed by Article II, Section 14 (*Code of Ordinances*) of the City Charter, the City Code of 2003 is adopted as follows:

- (1) Titles 1 through 15 are adopted as attached in Exhibit A, incorporated as part of this ordinance;
- (2) except as provided in Part 7, Title 25 is adopted verbatim as it exists on the effective date of this ordinance; and
- (3) Title 30, if enacted by separate ordinance, is Title 30 of the City Code of 2003.

PART 3. The City Code of 1992 is repealed.

PART 4. This ordinance does not amend the effective date of any statutorily required finding or action of the council.

PART 5. An ordinance passed on the same date as this ordinance that amends the text of the City Code shall be considered to have passed simultaneously with this ordinance, regardless of the order in which the ordinances were adopted, and the other ordinance

takes precedence over this ordinance except that the numbering system adopted in this ordinance shall be applied to the other ordinance.

PART 6. The tables of contents, source annotations, and editorial comments in Exhibit A are for the convenience of the reader and are not a part of the law enacted by this ordinance.

PART 7. All references to a chapter or section in Titles 1 through 18 of the City Code in Title 25 of the Code are amended to conform to the numbering and headings provided in this ordinance.

PART 8. This ordinance applies only to an offense committed on or after its effective date. A criminal action for an offense committed before the effective date of this ordinance is governed by the law existing before the effective date, which law is continued in effect for this purpose, as if this ordinance were not in effect. An offense is committed on or after the effective date of this ordinance if any element of the offense occurs on or after the effective date.

PART 9. A rule adopted under Chapter 1-2 (*Adoption of Rules*) of the City Code is continued in effect unless amended or repealed by an ordinance or rule adopted after the effective date of this ordinance. A citation in an existing rule to Titles 1 through 18 of the City Code is changed to reflect the citation provided in this ordinance.

PART 10. Because copies of Titles 1 through 15 of the City Code as enacted by this ordinance may not be immediately available, until March 15, 2004, for purposes of citation, a reference in a document to a section of repealed Titles 1 through 18 is a reference to the corresponding section of new Titles 1 through 15 of the City Code of 2003.

PART 11. This ordinance takes effect on December 22, 2003.

PASSED AND APPROVED

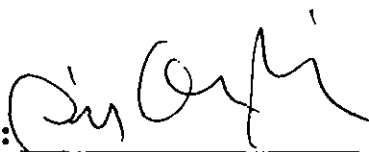
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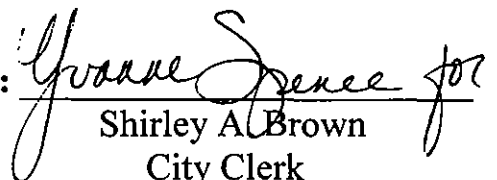
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City Attorney

ATTEST:



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City Clerk