

ORDINANCE NO. 200690

Amending Chapter 2, Code of Ordinances, by repealing Sections 2-1445, 2-1449, 2-1454, 2-1455, 2-1456, and 2-1457, Municipal Court Procedures, Costs and Fees, to conform with municipal court reforms implemented by the Missouri Supreme Court.

WHEREAS, on or about 2017, after an investigation of events in Ferguson, Missouri lead to a study of municipal court practice, the Missouri Supreme Court implemented significant municipal court reforms through Missouri Supreme Court Rule 37; and,

WHEREAS, several provisions of the Kanas City code are contrary to Rule 37, which strives to make municipal court practice and fine amounts uniform throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas City Municipal Division has not applied the referenced ordinances for a number of years prior to the events of Ferguson, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to remove those provisions from the Kansas City Code of Ordinances to reflect the actual practices of the Kansas City Municipal Division and the changes made Post-Ferguson by Missouri Supreme Court Rule 37; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That Chapter 2, Code of Ordinances of the City of Kansas City, Missouri, is hereby amended by repealing Sections 2-1445, 2-1449, 2-1454, 2-1455, 2-1456, and 2-1457, Municipal Court Procedures, Costs and Fees, to conform with municipal court reforms implemented by the Missouri Supreme Court.

Approved as to form and legality:

Alan Holtkamp
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