

12-3007. Publication; effective date. (a) The city clerk shall cause all ordinances, except appropriation ordinances, as soon as practicable after they have been passed and signed, passed over the mayor's veto or will take effect without signature, to be published once in the official city newspaper, unless a statute requires more publications. Ordinances shall take effect the day of publication unless a different and later day is stated in the ordinance or otherwise specified by statute: Provided, That appropriation ordinances shall take effect upon passage. The publisher shall print in a line preceding the number of the ordinance a statement in parentheses as follows: (Published ____, 20__), giving the month, day and year. The manner of publication and effective date of codifications shall be as hereinafter provided.

(b) In lieu of full publication of an ordinance pursuant to this section, a city may opt to publish a summary of the ordinance so long as:

(1) The publication is identified as a "summary" and contains notice that the complete text of the ordinance may be obtained or viewed free of charge at the office of the city clerk;

(2) the city attorney certifies the summary of the ordinance prior to publication to ensure that the summary is legally accurate and sufficient; and

(3) the publication contains the city's official website address where a reproduction of the original ordinance is available for a minimum of one week following the summary publication in the newspaper.

If an ordinance is subject to petition pursuant to state law, then the summary shall contain a statement that the ordinance is subject to petition.

History: L. 1959, ch. 64, § 7; L. 2012, ch. 46, § 2; July 1.