



Resolution No. 2014-188
August 7, 2014

Resolution to Amend the City Charter to permit certain ordinances to become effective immediately upon adoption by 2/3 of City Council and publication

IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that:

WHEREAS, Section 21(1) of the Home Rule City Act (HRCA), MCL 117.21(1), authorizes a city council to adopt a resolution proposing to amend the city charter by a three-fifths vote of its members-elect, and the resolution proposing to amend the city charter must set forth the exact wording of the proposed amendment to be submitted to the city voters for approval at a regular or special election, and;

WHEREAS, The resolution must set forth the ballot language for the proposed charter amendment—with each proposal being limited to a single subject, and if the subject of a proposal includes more than one related proposition, each proposition shall be separately stated as a ballot proposal to afford an opportunity for a separate vote of the city voters for or against each proposition, and

WHEREAS, Section 21(2) of the HRCA, MCL 117.21(2), requires that the ballot language for the submission to the city voters of each proposed amendment shall be limited to 100 words, exclusive of caption, shall be a true and impartial statement of the purpose of the amendment, and shall not create prejudice for or against the proposed amendment,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Article II, Section 2.10(c) of the Ypsilanti City Charter shall be amended as follows:

(c) Effective Date. Except as otherwise provided in this Charter, every adopted ordinance shall become effective after publication at the expiration of 30 days after adoption or at any later date specified therein. An ordinance may become effective immediately after adoption upon publication if all of the following apply:

- i. The ordinance does not adopt or amend an administrative code, provide for a fine or other penalty, or establish a rule or regulation for violation of which a fine or other penalty is imposed.
- ii. A resolution, which is adopted by affirmative vote of 2/3 of the Members of Council present at the meeting at which the ordinance is enacted, provides for the ordinance to have an immediate effect upon adoption.
- iii. Such a resolution provides for the reason that the ordinance takes effect immediately upon adoption and publication.

