

We, the Aldermen of the City of Vergennes, pursuant to the Charter of the City of Vergennes and the provisions of 24 V.S.A. Chapter 50A and such other State laws as are applicable do hereby adopt the following Ordinances:

CHAPTER ONE

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 1.

This and the following chapters shall be known as the “Ordinances of the City of Vergennes” and insofar as the provisions of these new ordinances are the same in effect as previously enacted or adopted ordinances, they shall be construed as a continuance thereof. This revision shall not affect an act done, a prosecution or proceeding pending, rights in existence or any violation which occurred prior to the effective date of this ordinance. Any violation which occurred prior to the effective date of this ordinance may be prosecuted under previously adopted ordinances for the City of Vergennes, or any amendment thereto, as though such earlier ordinance or amendments thereto had not been repealed. Subject to said limitations, all ordinances of the City heretofore in force are hereby repealed as of the effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION 2.

A copy of these ordinances shall be entered in the minutes of the City of Vergennes and posted and published according to the requirements of 24 V.S.A. §1972. The ordinance shall become effective 60 days after the date of its adoption or upon approval of a vote of a majority of the qualified voters of the City of Vergennes if subjected to a referendum. These ordinances and rules adopted by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Vergennes shall be recorded in the records of said City. The Clerk of the City shall attach a certificate showing the publication, posting, recording and adoption of all ordinances along with all copies of ordinances thus filed. Copies of the ordinances adopted by the City of Vergennes shall be available for public distribution in the City Clerk’s office.

SECTION 3.

Except where specifically defined herein, all words used in these ordinances shall carry their customary meanings. Words used in the present tense include the future, and the singular includes the plural; the word “shall” is mandatory; “person” includes individual, partnership, association, corporation, company or organization; words importing the masculine gender may extend and be applied to persons of the female gender; when time is to be reckoned from a day, date, or act done then such day, date, or date when such act is done, shall not be included in the computation, unless otherwise provided.