

ORDINANCE #65944
Board Bill No. 25
Committee Substitute

An ordinance providing for the regulation of smoke houses within residential zoning districts; containing definitions, a penalty clause and an emergency clause.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE. For purposes of this ordinance the following terms shall apply:

“Smoke House” shall mean any building or structure where meat or fish is cured by means of smoke.

SECTION TWO. Smoke houses shall be permitted within residential zoning districts in the City of St. Louis to the extent that the use of such building or structure is in compliance with the provisions of this ordinance and any other applicable ordinance or statute. Any building or structure intended to be used as a smoke house within a residential zoning district which exceeds fifty (50) square feet in size shall require a permit from the building commissioner prior to construction and shall conform to all applicable regulatory codes for such structure.

SECTION THREE. Construction regulations.

- A. All smoke houses, regardless of size, shall be constructed of non-combustible materials.**
- B. All buildings and structures used as smoke houses shall be located a safe distance from any other building, as determined by the Fire Marshall.**
- C. Buildings and structures used as smoke houses shall not be used for any other purpose.**

SECTION FOUR. Every person who owns or operates a smoke house within a residential zoning district shall comply with the provisions of Ordinance 64116, Ordinance 48606 and all ordinances which may be enacted subsequent to such effective date regarding the slaughter of animals and the disposal of parts of animals within the City of St. Louis.

SECTION FIVE. No person who owns or operates a smoke house within a residential zoning district shall sell or offer for sale any food product prepared in such smoke house. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any food service establishment or temporary food service establishment regulated by Section 11.42 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis.

SECTION SIX. Every person who owns or operates a smoke house within a residential zoning district shall comply with the provisions of Ordinance 65645 and all ordinances which may be enacted subsequent to such effective date regarding the regulation and control of air pollution within the City of St. Louis.

SECTION SEVEN. Any person found to have violated the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100) or to a term of imprisonment of not more than Ninety (90) days or both a fine and a term of imprisonment. Each day that such violations continues shall constitute a separate violation of this ordinance.

SECTION EIGHT. Emergency clause.

This being an ordinance for the preservation of public peace, health, and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and therefore shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the mayor.

Approved: July 16, 2003