

Subject Municipal street improvement districts

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Overview

This bill authorizes cities to establish street improvement districts and provides the procedures for doing so.

Summary

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| 1 | <p>Municipal street improvement districts.</p> <p>Subd. 1. Definitions. Defines terms used in the proposed section of statute.</p> <p>Subd. 2. Authorization. Allows a city to impose a street improvement fee by ordinance. Requires public notice and hearing before the ordinance is adopted.</p> <p>Subd. 3. Improvement fee. Requires a fee to be apportioned to all developed parcels in the district, except those owned by an institution of public charity (exception in subdivision 10). Prohibits overlapping districts.</p> <p>Subd. 4. Uniformity. Requires fees to be uniform in apportionment among developed parcels of the same classification. Specifies basis and criteria of apportionment.</p> <p>Subd. 5. Adoption of plan; notice and hearing. (a) Requires a plan that identifies the district location, estimates the costs, and provides for fees to be imposed between five and 20 years.</p> <p>(b), (c) Requires notice of the proposed plan and the hearing. Requires the hearing to allow all property owners in the proposed district be allowed to speak at the hearing.</p> <p>Subd. 6. Use of fees. Requires a separate account for fees collected and requires fees to be used only for projects in the district as identified in the adopted plan.</p> |
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Subd. 7. Collection; up to 20 years. Requires the ordinance to determine if billing on monthly, quarterly, or other basis. Limits fee collection to no more than 20 years. Allows unpaid fees to be certified for collection as a special assessment.

Subd. 8. Not exclusive means of financing improvements. Allows a city to finance street improvements with other measures but prohibits the use of special assessments for projects funding with street improvement fees.

Subd. 9. Unimproved parcels; fees. Prohibits street improvement fees on unimproved parcels until at least three years after substantial completion of the paving of the street or the issuance of the certificate of occupancy of the first structure.

Subd. 10. Institutions of public charity. Prohibits imposing fees on institutions of purely public charity that are exempt from federal income taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and that meet the requirements of the state statute describing an institution of public charity.

Subd. 11. Appeal to district court. Provides for a landowner to appeal a fee to the district court and sets time limits for the appeal.

Effective date.



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