

ORDINANCE NO. 82 (as amended)

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REMOVAL OF ACCUMULATIONS OF SNOW AND ICE FROM SIDEWALKS AND ASSESSING THE COSTS THEREOF AGAINST THE ABUTTING PROPERTY OWNER.

Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of University Heights, Iowa:

1. No owner, tenant, or other person in possession or control of property shall allow natural accumulations of snow or ice to remain upon abutting sidewalks for more than twenty-four (24) hours.
2. In the event a property owner does not remove natural accumulations of snow and ice from abutting sidewalks within twenty-four (24) hours, the City may at the direction of the Mayor, City Engineer, or such other person as may be designated by the City Council, have the snow and ice accumulations removed without notice to the property owner and assess the costs against the property owner for collection in the same manner as a property tax.
4. Any violation of this ordinance may be cited as a municipal infraction. The University Heights City Clerk, the Clerk's duly authorized agent, and any officer, including reserve officers, of the University Heights Police Department, is authorized to enforce this ordinance and may issue a civil citation to anyone who violates it. A violation of this ordinance is punishable by a civil penalty of \$100.00. Each day the violation occurs shall constitute a separate violation of this ordinance.
5. For the purposes of this ordinance "property owner" shall mean the record holder of legal title or the contract purchaser if there is a contract of record.
6. This ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication as provided by law.

Passed on the 14th day of December, 1982, and approved this 14th day of December, 1982.

* The original is on file with the University Heights City Attorney.

Ordinance No. 165 was passed and approved on the 12th day of February, 2008 but not immediately published or enforced. Ordinance No. 165 was published in the Press Citizen on the 24th day of March, 2008. The ordinance adds Sections 1, 3 and four, removes previous Section 2, and renumbers the previous Section 1 to 2, and Sections 3 and 4 to Sections 5 and 6. Section two adds the word 'abutting' and changes a reasonable time to 24 hours, and adds the language indicating that costs will be assessed to the property owner.

The Amendment to Ordinance 82 was passed and approved on the 11th day of March, 2008 and published in the Press Citizen on the 24th day of March, 2008. The Amendment adds the text 'natural accumulations of' and removes the previous accumulations in Section 1. In Section 2, the Amendment adds the word natural. The Amendment removes Section 3 in its entirety. In Section 4, the Amendment adds the letter 'a' to the word 'my' to form 'may' regarding issuing civil citation.

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