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Amending Title 15, Chapter 385 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Miscellaneous Offenses: In General

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Title 15, Chapter 385, Section 385.85 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances be enacted to read as follows:

385.85. Use of alleys for pedestrian thoroughfares.

- (a) Purpose. The city council declares that the public alleys of the city are constructed and maintained primarily to provide limited access to abutting residential and commercial property, and are not intended or designed for use as pedestrian thoroughfares. The city council finds that it is necessary to limit pedestrian access to public alleys in order to protect the safety of pedestrians, and to address the problem of non-residents engaging or preparing to engage in criminal activity, or evading law enforcement personnel, in the alleys or by use of the alleys.
- (b) Use prohibited. No person shall enter or be present in, or use as a pedestrian thoroughfare, a public alley, unless directed to do so by a peace officer, authorized traffic code enforcement personnel or authorized traffic control device, except abutting property owners, tenants, their guests or invitees. This section shall not be interpreted to preclude use of alleys by the following:
 - (1) Persons performing authorized law enforcement activities on behalf of any law enforcement agency;
 - (2) Persons providing emergency medical or fire services;
 - (3) Persons performing public service activities or inspections on behalf of state, federal or city regulatory agencies or departments;
 - (4) Persons performing service activities, including but not limited to, garbage collection, recycling, or snow removal; and
 - (5) Persons performing installation, maintenance or inspection activities for public or private utility or communications companies.