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AN ORDINANCE
of the
CITY OF
MINNEAPOLIS
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Amending Title 10, Chapter 203, of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to the Food Code: Grocery Stores and Specialty Food Stores.

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

That Section 203.10 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

203.10. Definitions. As used in this chapter, the following words and phrases shall mean:

Accessory food items. Non-staple food items, such as coffee, tea, cocoa, carbonated and uncarbonated drinks, candy, condiments, and spices.

Grocery store. A retail establishment that sells such products as staple foods, accessory food items, and household goods.

Specialty food store. A retail establishment that sells only specialized types or classes of staple foods and accessory foods, including, but not limited to, such establishments as import food stores and co-ops. Such an establishment may not sell tobacco products, unless such products are in keeping with the specialized nature of the store.

Staple foods. Those food items intended for home preparation and consumption, including meat, poultry, fish, bread, and breadstuffs, cereals, vegetables, fruits, fruit and vegetable juices, and dairy products. (96-Or-005, § 1, 2-9-96)

Perishable foods. Those items that are fresh, un-refrigerated or refrigerated staple food items that will spoil or suffer significant deterioration in quality within two to three weeks.

That Section 203.20 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

203.20 (a) Grocery and specialty foods stores are both subject to the requirements of chapter 188. A grocery store that does not possess a grocery license as of the effective date of this ordinance must meet the following requirements:

- (a) The grocery store shall provide and maintain a minimum sales floor area of two thousand (2,000) square feet, or a free-standing building originally constructed as a grocery convenience store shall have a minimum of two thousand (2,000) square feet, calculated by using external dimensions.
- (b) The grocery store shall provide and maintain a minimum of four (4) adjoining off-street parking spaces, notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 531.

(c) All grocery stores shall stock and have available for purchase a variety of non-expired staple foods.

(c) All grocery stores licensed under this chapter must offer for sale food for home preparation and consumption, on a continuous basis, at least three varieties of qualifying food in each of the following four staple food groups, with perishable food in at least two of the categories:

1. Meat, poultry, or fish
2. Bread or cereal
3. Vegetables or fruits
4. Dairy products

203.30. Exemptions. The following are exempt from the requirements of sections 203.20 (a) and 203.20 (b): and 203.20 (c):

- (a) Specialty food stores.
- (b) Filling stations, licensed under chapter 287.
- (c) Grocery stores located in the central commercial district, as defined in section 360.10.