

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER BY REPEALING SECTION 10.3 PERTAINING TO TEMPORARY PERMITTING FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES; CALLING AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON APRIL 2, 2024 ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO GIVE NOTICE TO THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID ELECTION, AND PROVIDING FOR ENACTMENT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT IF APPROVED**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Republic, Missouri (“City” or “Republic”) is a municipal corporation and Charter City located in Greene County, Missouri, being duly created, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, on or about April 3, 2007, pursuant to Section 19, Article VI of the Missouri Constitution of 1945 and Section 82.010 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, the citizens of Republic voted to establish a home rule charter (the “Charter”) to serve as the City’s central document and constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, Article XII, Section 12.7, of the Charter allows the City Council to propose amendments to the Charter and sets forth the requirements for proposing such amendments; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Article XII, Section 12.7, of the Charter, the City Council desires to submit the proposed amendment contained herein below to the qualified voters of the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REPUBLIC, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Pursuant to Article XII, Section 12.7 of the City Charter, the City Council hereby proposes an amendment to Article X of the City Charter by repealing Section 10.3 regarding temporary permitting for public utilities.

In accord with the above, the question herein below shall be placed on the ballot and submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Republic, Missouri at the General Municipal Election to be held on April 2, 2024. The question presented shall be in substantially and materially the following form:

**QUESTION 6**

**Shall the Charter of the City of Republic, Section 10.3, be repealed to allow for the administrative management of temporary permits issued for the operation of public utilities in accord with Republic Municipal Code?**

YES [    ]  
NO [    ]

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:** If you are in favor of the question, select the box opposite “YES”. If you are opposed to the question, select the box opposite “NO”.

**Section 2.** The amendment to Section 10.3 of the City Charter, proposed in Section 1 of this Ordinance, shall read as follows:

*(Note: Language shown in **bold, underlined** text is to be added. Language shown in ~~stricken~~ text is to be removed.)*

**10.3 Temporary Permits**

~~Temporary permits for the operation of public services utilizing public streets, alleys, bridges, easements, rights-of-way and public places for a period not to exceed two (2) years may be granted by the Council by ordinance without public hearing. Such permit shall be subject to amendment, alteration or revocation at any time at the will of the Council, whether so provided in the ordinance or not. Any permit granted hereunder shall in no event be construed to be a franchise or an extension or amendment of a franchise.~~

**Section 3.** The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to notify the County Clerk of Greene County, Missouri, and the County Clerk of Christian County, Missouri, of the adoption of this Ordinance by sending a certified copy hereof as soon as practicable, but in no event later than 5:00 p.m. on the tenth Tuesday prior to April 2, 2024, and to include in said notification all terms and provisions required by Chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, and other applicable law.

**Section 4.** The Greene County Clerk and Christian County Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to conduct said election in a manner consistent with the provisions of Chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, including but not limited to the designation of polling places for the qualified voters of the City.

**Section 5.** If, upon certification by the Greene County Clerk and Christian County Clerk, the proposed amendment is approved by the affirmative vote of qualified electors voting thereon in accord with Section 12.7 of the City Charter, the City Charter shall be amended as approved, and such amendment shall become part of the Charter at the time of such approval.

**Section 6.** The City Clerk is hereby authorized to take all necessary and appropriate action to effect the intent and purpose of this Ordinance including but not limited to the codification of the amendment if approved by the electors.

**Section 7:** The whereas clauses are hereby specifically incorporated herein by reference.

**Section 8:** The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and if any provision hereof is declared invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable, such determination shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance.

**Section 9:** This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage as provided by law.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, this \_\_\_\_ day of January 2024.

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Matt Russell, Mayor

**Attest:**

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Laura Burbridge, City Clerk

**Approved as to Form:**

  
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Megan McCullough, City Attorney

**Final Passage and Vote:**