

## Title 1

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

## Chapter 1.01

## CODE ADOPTION

## Sections:

## 1.01.010 Code adopted.

Statutory Reference: For statutory provisions regarding the codification of city ordinances, see RCW 35.21.500 through 35.21.570.

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The compilation and codification of city ordinances of general application, passed and approved on or before November 19, 1979, through Ordinance 108635, filed with the City Clerk by the City Attorney on September 19, 1980, and the 1980 Supplement thereto, including ordinances passed and approved on or before December 31, 1980, filed with the City Clerk on May 30, 1981 are adopted as the Official Code of The City of Seattle to be know hereafter as the "Seattle Municipal Code." The Code may be cited by its abbreviation "SMC." Ordinances of general applicability passed and approved after December 31, 1980, and numbered from Ordinance 109600, are valid and subsisting law of the city. Such Ordinances shall later be made part of the Seattle Municipal Code in the manner provided in Section 1.01.030.

(Ord. 109994 § 1, 1981; Ord. 109560 § 1, 1980.)

## Title 2

## ELECTIONS

## Chapter 2.04

## ELECTION CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

## Sections:

Subchapter VI Violation—Penalty  
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## Subchapter VI Violation—Penalty

2.04.500 Civil remedies and sanctions.

One or more of the following civil remedies

and sanctions may be imposed by court order in addition to any other remedies provided by law:

A. If the court finds that the violation of any provision of this chapter by any candidate or political committee probably affected the outcome of any election, the result of the election may be held void and a special election held within sixty days of such finding. Any action to void an election shall be commenced within one year of the date of the election in question. It is intended that this remedy be imposed freely in all appropriate cases to protect the right of the electorate to an informed and knowledgeable vote.

B. The violation or failure to comply with the provisions of Sections 2.04.160 through 2.04.290 (regarding campaign reporting), Section 2.04.370 (regarding contribution limitations) or Section 2.04.310 of this chapter (regarding political signs) shall constitute an infraction for which a monetary fine, not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), may be assessed. Violation of the ordinance and existence of an infraction may be proven by a preponderance of the evidence and need not be proven beyond a reasonable doubt. An action seeking to establish the fact of an infraction and imposition of a monetary fine under this section may be commenced by the City Attorney at a request of a majority of the Commission.

C. Any person who fails to comply with the conditions of his/her campaign contract shall be ineligible to receive further such funds until in compliance. Any candidate who exceeds the expenditure limitation for which he/she has contracted shall immediately return to the Election Campaign Account Three Dollars (\$3.00) for every One Dollar (\$1.00) he/she has overspent in that campaign year, to a maximum amount equal to the total sum of public funds he/she has received.

(Ord. 109886 § 1, 1981; Ord. 108400 § 11, 1979; Ord. 107772 § 4, 1979; Ord. 106653 § 21, 1977.)