

20.17 VIOLATIONS AND PENALTY. (1) **Standard Penalty.** Unless another penalty is expressly provided by this code for any particular provision, section, or chapter, any person violating any provision of this code, or any rule or regulation adopted or issued in pursuance thereof, or any provision of any code adopted herein by reference, shall upon conviction, be subject to a forfeiture of not more than \$200.00 and the costs of prosecution. In default of immediate payment of such forfeiture and costs, such person shall be committed to the county jail until such forfeiture and costs are paid. Every commitment shall limit the duration of such imprisonment to a definite term not exceeding 90 days.

(2) **EACH DAY A VIOLATION.** Each act of violation and every day upon which a violation occurs or continues constitutes a separate offense.

(3) **APPLICABILITY.** The penalty provided by this section or any section of this code applies to the amendment of any section of this code or any code adopted therein by reference to which the penalty relates, whether or not such penalty is reenacted in the amendatory ordinances, unless otherwise provided in the amendment.

(4) **REFERENCE TO SECTIONS.** Reference to any section of this code shall be understood also to refer to and include the penalty section relating thereto, unless otherwise expressly provided.

(5) **FAILURE OF OFFICERS TO PERFORM DUTIES.** The failure of any officer or employee of the city to perform any official duty imposed by this code shall not subject such officer or employee to the penalty imposed for violation of this code, unless a penalty is specifically provided.