

## CHAPTER 412

## STATUTORY CITIES

412.02 City elections; officers, terms,  
vacancies.

412.221 Specific powers of the council.

**412.02 CITY ELECTIONS; OFFICERS, TERMS, VACANCIES.***[For text of subd. 1, see M.S.1998]*

Subd. 2. **Term.** Terms of elective officers shall commence on the first Monday in January following the election at which the officer is chosen. All officers chosen and qualified as such shall hold office until their successors qualify.

Subd. 2a. **Vacancy.** Except as otherwise provided in subdivision 2b, a vacancy in an office shall be filled by council appointment until an election is held as provided in this subdivision. In case of a tie vote in the council, the mayor shall make the appointment. If the vacancy occurs before the first day to file affidavits of candidacy for the next regular city election and more than two years remain in the unexpired term, a special election shall be held at or before the next regular city election and the appointed person shall serve until the qualification of a successor elected at a special election to fill the unexpired portion of the term. If the vacancy occurs on or after the first day to file affidavits of candidacy for the regular city election or when less than two years remain in the unexpired term, there need not be a special election to fill the vacancy and the appointed person shall serve until the qualification of a successor. The council must specify by ordinance under what circumstances it will hold a special election to fill a vacancy other than a special election held at the same time as the regular city election.

*[For text of subds 2b to 6, see M.S.1998]***History:** 1999 c 75 s 2; 1999 c 132 s 43**412.221 SPECIFIC POWERS OF THE COUNCIL.***[For text of subds 1 to 19, see M.S.1998]*

Subd. 20. **Taxis, haulers, car renters.** The council shall have power by ordinance to license and regulate baggage wagons, dray drivers, taxicabs, and automobile rental agencies and liveries. At a minimum, an ordinance to license or regulate taxicabs or small vehicle passenger service must provide for driver qualifications, insurance, vehicle safety, and periodic vehicle inspections.

*[For text of subds 21 to 34, see M.S.1998]***History:** 1999 c 238 art 2 s 74