

Ordinance No. 1061

AN ORDINANCE TO ADD A GENERAL PENALTY PROVISION TO THE SWEETWATER MUNICIPAL CODE AS TITLE 3, MUNICIPAL COURT, CHAPTER 2, COURT ADMINISTRATION, SECTION 3-206, GENERAL PENALTY PROVISION.

Whereas, several sections of the Sweetwater Municipal Code refer the penalty for their violation to the "general penalty provisions of the code;" and

Whereas, the *Tenn. Code Ann.* §6-54-306 authorizes home rule cities to impose civil penalties for violation of its ordinances, but there is no general penalty provision in the Sweetwater Municipal Code; now

Therefore, Be It Ordained by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the City of Sweetwater, Tennessee, as follows:

SECTION Sweetwater Municipal Code Title 3, Municipal Court, Chapter 2,
ONE: Court Administration, is amended by adding the following new section numbered §2-206.

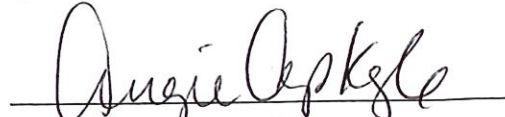
Sec. 2-206. General Penalty Provision, Continuing Violations. Whenever in this Code or in any ordinance of the City an act is prohibited or is made or declared to be unlawful, or an offense or a misdemeanor, or whenever in this Code or ordinance the doing of any act is required or the failure to do any act is declared to be unlawful, where no specific penalty is provided therefor or the penalty refers to the general penalty provision, the violation of any such provision of this Code or any such ordinance shall be punished as follows: Any person violating any of the provisions of this general penalty article shall be guilty of a civil violation, and conviction thereof shall result in a monetary civil penalty not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) and the recovery of administrative costs incident to the correction of the municipal violation in an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00), for each separate offense. Each day any violation of this Code or of any ordinance shall continue shall constitute a separate offense.


SECTION *Effective Date.* This ordinance shall take effect from and after its
TWO: passage, the welfare of the City requiring it.

Passed on First Reading: April 6, 2026

Public Hearing: May 4, 2026

Passed on Second Reading: May 4, 2026


ANGIE ARP KYLE, *Mayor*

ATTEST: 
SONYA CRUSH
City Recorder