

Excerpt of Email from Eric Zaetsch

Jo, the 410.09 is no suggestion. It is binding existing statutory law.

This online link, and it has plebiscite language we MUST discuss because it might not have been followed, and needs to be in the future. This online State official link

<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=410.09>

It states, as part of MINNESOTA CHARTER LAW, that chapter, but the language of limitation is not specific to charters, and charter wording. What the legislature intended can be debated, but the language seems clear and direct.

410.09 REGULATION OF FRANCHISES.

Such proposed charter may provide for regulating and controlling the exercise of privileges and franchises in or upon the streets and other public places of the city, whether granted by the city, by the legislature, or by any other authority; but no perpetual franchise or privilege shall ever be created, nor shall any exclusive franchise or privilege be granted, unless the proposed grant be first submitted to the voters of the city, and be approved by a majority of those voting thereon, nor in such case for a period of more than 25 years.

History:

(1283) [RL s 753](#); [1973 c 123 art 5 s 7](#)

Connexus has an exclusive electricity franchise on my street, I cannot buy power from another supplier, and ditto for Center Point on gas; and was either ever voted on and "approved by a majority of those voting"???

It needs consideration per rule of law. What is history? What next?