

CHAPTER 7

BUSINESS CODE

ARTICLE I - ADMINISTRATION

7-1-1 APPLICATIONS.

(A) Applications for all licenses and permits required by this Chapter shall be made in writing to the City Clerk in the absence of provision to the contrary.

(B) Each application shall contain:

- (1) the name of the applicant;
- (2) the permit or license desired;
- (3) the location to be used, if any;
- (4) Zoning district, if any;
- (5) the time covered; and
- (6) the fee to be paid.

(C) Each application shall also contain the number the Certificates of Registration required under the Retailer's Occupation Tax Act, Service Occupation Tax Act, and/or Use Tax Act, if applicable. Each application shall contain such additional information as may be needed for the proper guidance of the municipal officials in the issuing of the license or permit applied for.

(D) All licenses and permits in this Chapter are required by the City.

7-1-2 PERSONS SUBJECT TO LICENSE. Whenever a license or permit is required in this Code or in any municipal ordinance for the maintenance, operation, or conduct of any business or establishment, or for doing business or engaging in any activity or occupation, any person, firm, or corporation shall be subject to the requirement if by himself or itself, or through an agent, employee or partner, he or it is held forth as being engaged in the business, activity or occupation, or if he or it solicits patronage therefor actively or passively; or if he or it performs or attempts to perform any part of such business, activity or occupation in this municipality.

7-1-3 FORM OF LICENSE. Every license shall be signed by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk under the corporate seal, and no license shall be valid until signed and countersigned as aforesaid, nor shall any person be deemed to be licensed until the same shall have been issued to him in due form.

7-1-4 INVESTIGATIONS.

(A) Upon the receipt of an application for a license or permit, where an investigation or inspection is required by ordinance before the issuance of such permit or license, or where an inspection or investigation shall be deemed reasonably necessary or appropriate, the Clerk, within **forty-eight (48) hours** shall refer the application to the appropriate official(s) for the making of such investigation or inspection,

(B) The official(s) to whom the application has been referred shall make a report thereon, favorable or otherwise **within ten (10) days** after receiving such application or a copy thereof.

(C) The Chief of Police or the County Health Department shall make or cause to be made an inspection regarding such permits and licenses as relate to the care and handling of food, the prevention of nuisances and the spread of disease, and the protection of health. **[If a Zoning Code is in effect, the Zoning Administrator shall make or cause to be made any inspections which relate to compliance with the Zoning Code and other related regulations.]** All other investigations, except where otherwise provided, shall be made by the Chief of Police or by some other officer designated by the Mayor.

(D) Upon receipt of all related investigative reports, the Clerk shall forward such reports, together with the application, to the Mayor for evaluation and determination.

(E) If it shall appear to the Mayor that the matters and circumstances relating to an application require further information before a proper determination can be made, such application shall be returned to the Clerk for the inclusion of such additional information as may be specified necessary and appropriate.

(F) If, after due consideration of the information contained with the application and the related investigative reports, the Mayor shall determine that the matters concerning the application are unsatisfactory, he may disapprove such application, indicating the reasons therefor. Thereupon, the Clerk shall be directed to promptly notify the applicant that his application is disapproved and that no license or permit will be issued.

(G) If, after due consideration of the information contained within the application and the related investigative reports, the Mayor shall determine that the application is satisfactory, he shall approve the application. Thereupon, the Clerk shall be directed to promptly notify the applicant that his application is approved and the license or permit may be issued.

7-1-5 FEES. In the absence of provision to the contrary, all fees and charges for licenses or permits shall be paid in advance at the time application therefor is made to the Clerk in the amounts prescribed by the corporate authorities. When an applicant has not engaged in the business or activity until after the expiration of the current license year, the license fee shall be prorated by quarters and the fee paid for each quarter or fraction thereof during which the business or activity has been or will be conducted. Except as otherwise provided, all license and permit fees shall become a part of the corporate fund. In no event shall any rebate or refund be made of any license or permit fee, or part thereof, by reason of

death or departure of the licensee or permittee; nor shall any rebate or refund be made by reason of non-use of the license or discontinuance of the operation or conduct of the licensed establishment, business or activity.

7-1-6 TERMINATION OF LICENSES. All annual licenses shall be operative and the license year for this municipality shall commence on **May 1st of each year** and shall terminate on **April 30th** of the following year, where no provision to the contrary is made.

The Clerk shall notify all licensees of this municipality of the time of expiration of the license held by the licensee (if an annual), **three (3) weeks** prior to the date of such expiration. Provided, however, that a failure to make such notification or the failure of the licensee to receive it shall not excuse the licensee from the obligation to obtain a new licensee or a renewal thereof, nor shall it be a defense in an action based upon operation without a license.

7-1-7 LICENSES NOT TRANSFERABLE. No license granted under the provision of this or any other ordinance of the City, shall be assignable or transferable, without the permission of the City Council, so as to vest in any person or persons other than the persons to whom granted the privileges conferred by said license, and in all cases requiring special qualifications in the licensee or applicant, or as to location, such licenses shall not be transferable, and the new applicant must file his application for license as provided herein for the original applicant.

7-1-8 BUILDING AND PREMISES. No license shall be issued for the conduct of any business, and no permit shall be issued for any purpose or activity, if the premises and building to be used for the purpose do not fully comply with all applicable ordinances and regulations of this municipality and the State of Illinois. No such license or permit shall be issued for the conduct of any business or performance of any act which would involve a violation of this Code and/or other applicable regulations of this municipality. **(See Chapter 40 - Zoning Code)**

7-1-9 CHANGE OF LOCATION. The location of any licensed business or occupation, or the location of any permitted act may be changed, provided that **ten (10) days** notice thereof is given to the Clerk, in the absence of any provision to the contrary; provided further, however, that all applicable ordinances and regulations of this municipality shall be complied with. **(See Chapter 40 - Zoning Code)**

7-1-10 LOCATION. No license for the operation of a business or establishment in this municipality shall be construed to permit the operation of a licensed business or establishment in more than **one (1) location** in this municipality; a separate license shall be required for each location of a licensed establishment. For the purpose of this Code, the existence of a single location shall be evidenced by the fact that all buildings containing the principal or accessory uses shall be connected or shall be located on the same lot or parcel; shall be operated and managed by the same person or owner; and shall be an establishment with the same classification.

7-1-11 NUISANCES PROHIBITED.

7-1-11.1 GENERALLY. No business or establishment, whether licensed or not, shall be so conducted or operated as to constitute a nuisance in fact, and no building, vehicle or structure, yard, lot, premises or part thereof shall be used, kept, maintained, or operated in connection with any business or establishment so as to occasion any nuisance or so as to be dangerous to life or detrimental to health.

[ED. NOTE: The City Health Department should be consulted.]

7-1-11.2 UNSAFE OR UNHEALTHFUL BUSINESS.

(A) No building or structure utilized, constructed or maintained in connection with any business or occupation shall evidence an unsanitary, unsafe or dangerous condition.

(B) No substance, matter or thing of any kind whatsoever, which would be dangerous or detrimental to health, shall be allowed to exist in connection with any business or occupation, or be used in any work or labor performed in this municipality.

7-1-11.3 REFUSE DISPOSAL.

(A) **Refuse Containers.** The standard refuse container required by this Code shall be a receptacle of not less than **twenty (20)**, nor more than **thirty-two (32) gallons capacity**, constructed of impervious material and sturdy construction with a tight-fitting cover, and equipped with handles properly placed to facilitate handling.

(B) **Duty-to Provide Refuse Containers.** The occupant of every building, structure or premises used or maintained in connection with any business or occupation shall provide and maintain in good condition and repair a sufficient number of refuse containers for the temporary storage of all refuse accumulating between collections.

All refuse which is placed for collection service outside any building or structure must be kept in standard refuse containers.

(C) **Refuse Removal.** It shall be the duty of the occupant of every building, structure or premises used or maintained in connection with any business or occupation to cause to be removed, at his own cost and expense, at least once each week, all refuse produced therein.

(D) **Removal of Restaurant Garbage.** Every person owning or controlling any hotel, restaurant, cafe, or retail food establishment where more than **thirty-two (32) gallons** of refuse, is normally produced weekly shall cause all garbage to be placed in sanitary refuse containers and shall cause all substances deposited in such containers to be removed from his premises and to be disposed of at his own expense by an approved and licensed garbage disposal firm.

7-1-12 WORKING CONDITIONS.

7-1-12.1 HEALTH REQUIREMENTS. No owner, lessee, manager, or superintendent of any store, factory, workshop or other place where persons are employed shall cause or permit such place or any room or part thereof to be overcrowded or inadequate or faulty in respect to light, ventilation, heat or cleanliness.

7-1-12.2 SANITATION. All such places of employment shall be kept in a clean condition, free from effluvia of a sewer, drain, privy, stable or other nuisance(s); also as far as practicable, such premises shall be free from all gases, vapors, dust, or other impurities generated by manufacturing processes or otherwise which are injurious to health. Sufficient washroom facilities for male and female employees shall be provided and such facilities shall be properly ventilated.

7-1-12.3 HEAT REQUIRED.

(A) It shall be the duty of every person owning or controlling the heating plant which furnishes heat to any factory or workshop to maintain a temperature within such factory or workshop of not less than **sixty-two degrees Fahrenheit (62°F.)** without such undue restriction of ventilation as to interfere with proper sanitary conditions therein; provided, however, that this requirement shall not apply to any factory or workshop where the business conducted therein is of such a nature that a higher or lower temperature than **sixty-two degrees Fahrenheit (62°F.)** is necessary or expedient for the work or manufacturing processes of such business.

(B) It shall be the duty of every person owning or controlling the heating plant which furnishes heat to any office, store, or other place of employment to maintain a temperature therein of not less than **sixty-two degrees Fahrenheit (62°F.)**, without such undue restriction of ventilation as to interfere with proper sanitary conditions therein between the hours of **8:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. from October 1st of each year until June 1st of the succeeding year [Sundays and legal holidays excepted].**

7-1-12.4 **INSPECTION.** The Mayor or the Chief of Police shall visit or cause to be visited all places of employment in this municipality as often as they shall deem necessary to assure compliance with the provisions of this section, and to have such arrangements made as may be deemed necessary for the health and safety of the employees.

7-1-13 **INSPECTIONS.**

(A) Whenever inspections of the premises for or in connection with the operation of a licensed business or occupation are provided for or required by ordinance or are reasonably necessary to assure compliance with the provisions of any ordinance or regulation of this municipality, or to detect violations thereof, it shall be the duty of the licensee or the person in charge of the premises to admit thereto, for the purpose of making the inspection, any officer or employee of this municipality who is duly authorized to make such inspection at any reasonable time that such admission or entry is requested.

(B) Whenever an analysis of any commodity or material is reasonably necessary to assure compliance with the provisions of any ordinance or regulation, or to detect violations thereof, it shall be the duty of the licensee or the person in charge of the premises to give to any duly authorized officer or employee of this municipality requesting the same, sufficient samples of such material or commodity for such analysis upon official request.

(C) In addition to any other penalty which may be provided, the Mayor may revoke the license of any owner or operator of a licensed business in this municipality who refuses to permit any duly authorized officer or employee to make such inspection or to take adequate sample(s) of said commodity, or who interferes with such officer or employee while in the performance of his duties; provided, however, that no license shall be subject to revocation for such cause unless such officer or employee has been refused permission to enter upon the premises in the name of this municipality after having first presented a warrant authorizing such entry.

7-1-14 **SUSPENSION, REVOCATION OF LICENSE OR PERMIT.**

7-1-14.1 **NUISANCE.** When the conduct or operation of any business or establishment, whether or not licensed, shall constitute a nuisance in fact and a clear and present danger to the public health, safety or general welfare, the Mayor shall be authorized to summarily order the cessation of business, the closing of the premises, and the suspension of any license or permit for a period not to exceed **ten (10) days.**

7-1-14.2 **HEARING.** Within **eight (8) days** after he has so acted, the Mayor shall call a hearing for the purpose of determining whether or not the license or permit should be revoked.

7-1-14.3 REVOCATION. Licenses and permits issued in this municipality, unless otherwise provided, may be revoked by the Mayor after notice and hearing as provided in **Subsections 7-1-14.4** and **7-1-14.5** of this Section for any of the following causes:

(A) Any fraud, misrepresentation or false statement contained in the application for the license or permit;

(B) Any violation by the licensee or permittee of Code provisions relating to the license or permit, the subject matter of the license or permit, or the premises occupied;

(C) Conviction of the licensee or permittee of any felony or of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude;

(D) Failure of the licensee or permittee to pay any fine or penalty owed to this municipality;

(E) Refusal to permit an inspection or sampling, or any interference with a duly authorized officer or employee in the performance of his duties in making such inspections, as provided in **Section 7-1-13**.

Such revocation, if ordered, shall not preclude prosecution and imposition of any other penalties provided for the violation of other applicable Code regulations of this municipality.

7-1-14.4 HEARING NOTICE. Notice of the hearing for revocation of a license or permit shall be given in writing setting forth specifically the grounds of the complaint and the time and place of the hearing. Such notice shall be sent by certified mail [return receipt requested] to the licensee or permittee at his last known address at least **five (5) days** prior to the date set for the hearing.

7-1-14.5 COUNSEL. At the hearing, the attorney for the municipality shall present the complaint and shall represent the municipality. The licensee or permittee shall be permitted counsel and shall have the right to submit evidence and cross-examine witnesses. The Mayor shall preside and shall render the decision.

7-1-15 APPEAL. Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Mayor regarding the denial of an application for a business license as provided in **Section 7-1-4** or in connection with the revocation of a license or permit as provided in **Section 7-1-14** shall have the right to appeal to the City Council. Such appeal shall be taken by filing with the Clerk, within **ten (10) days** after notice of a denial of an application or a revocation of a license or permit, a written statement under oath setting forth specifically the grounds for appeal. The Mayor shall thereupon set the time and place for a hearing on such appeal and notice of such hearing shall be given to the applicant or licensee or permittee in the same manner as provided in **Section 7-1-13** hereof. The decision of the City Council on such appeal shall be final.

7-1-16 **LICENSE TO BE POSTED.** It shall be the duty of every person conducting a licensed business in this municipality to keep his license posted in a prominent place on the premises used for such business at all times.

7-1-17 **BUSINESS VEHICLE STICKER.** Whenever the number of vehicles used is the basis in whole or in part for a license fee, the Clerk shall furnish the licensee with a tag or sticker for each vehicle covered by the license and such tag or sticker shall be posted or affixed in a conspicuous place on each business vehicle.

7-1-18 **PENALTIES.** The Cafeteria Court provisions in **Chapter 1, Section 1-1-26** shall apply to violations of this Chapter.

ARTICLE II - SOLICITORS

7-2-1 **DEFINITIONS.** For the purpose of this Chapter, the following words as used herein shall be construed to have the meanings herein ascribed thereto, to-wit:

"REGISTERED SOLICITOR" shall mean and include any person who has obtained a valid **Certificate of Registration** as hereinafter provided, and which certificate is in the possession of the solicitor on his or her person while engaged in soliciting.

"RESIDENCE" shall mean and include every separate living unit occupied for residential purposes by **one (1)** or more persons, contained within any type of building or structure.

"SOLICITING" shall mean and include any **one (1)** or more of the following activities:

- (A) Seeking to obtain orders for the purchase of goods, wares, merchandise, foodstuffs, services of any kind, character or description whatsoever, for any kind of consideration whatsoever or;
- (B) Seeking to obtain prospective customers for application or purchase of insurance of any type, kind or character or;
- (C) Seeking to obtain subscriptions to books, magazines, periodicals, newspapers and every other type or kind of publication or;
- (D) Seeking to obtain gifts or contributions of money, clothing or any other valuable thing for the support or benefit of any charitable or non-profit association, organization, corporation or project.

7-2-2 **CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION.** Every person desiring to engage in soliciting as herein defined from persons within this municipality is hereby required to make written application for a Certificate of Registration as hereinafter provided.

7-2-3 **APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION.** Applications for a Certificate of Registration shall be made upon a form provided by the Chief of Police of this municipality and filed with such Chief. The applicant shall truthfully state in full the information requested on the application, to-wit:

- (A) Name and address of present place of residence and length of residence at such address; also, business address if other than residence address; also, Social Security Number.
- (B) Address of place of residence during the past **three (3) years** if other than present address.
- (C) Age of applicant and marital status; and if married, the name of spouse.
- (D) Physical description of the applicant.

(E) Name and address of the person, firm or corporation or association with whom the applicant is employed or represents; and the length of time of such employment or representation.

(F) Name and address of employer during the past **three (3) years** if other than the present employer.

(G) Description sufficient for identification of the subject matter of the soliciting in which the applicant will engage.

(H) Period of time for which the Certificate is applied.

(I) The date or approximate date of the latest previous application for a Certificate under this Chapter, if any.

(J) Has a Certificate of Registration issued to the applicant under this Chapter ever been revoked?

(K) Has the applicant ever been convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of this Code or the regulations of any other Illinois municipality regulating soliciting?

(L) Has the applicant ever been convicted of the commission of a felony under the laws of the State of Illinois or any other State or Federal law of the United States?

(M) The last **three (3) municipalities** where the applicant carried on business immediately preceding the date of application in this municipality and the address from which such business was conducted in those municipalities.

(N) Also, such additional information as the Chief of Police may deem necessary to process the application.

All statements made by the applicant upon the application or in connection therewith shall be under oath.

The Chief of Police shall cause to be kept in his office an accurate record of every application received and acted upon, together with all other information and data pertaining thereto and all Certificates of Registration issued under the provisions of this Chapter and of the denial of applications.

Applications for Certificates issued shall be numbered in consecutive order as filed, and every Certificate issued and any renewal thereof shall be identified with the duplicate number of the application upon which it was issued.

No Certificate of Registration shall be issued to any person who has been convicted of the commission of a felony under the laws of the State of Illinois or any other State or Federal law of the United States within **five (5) years** of the date of the application; nor to any person who has been convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter, nor to any person whose Certificate of Registration issued hereunder has previously been revoked as herein provided.

7-2-4 **ISSUANCE AND REVOCATION OF CERTIFICATE.** The Chief of Police, after consideration of the application and all information obtained relative thereto, shall deny the application if the applicant does not possess the qualifications for such Certificate as herein required, and that the issuance of a Certificate of Registration to the applicant would not be in accord with the intent and purpose of this Code. Endorsement shall be made by the

Chief of Police upon the application of the denial of the application. When the applicant is found to be fully qualified, the Certificate of Registration shall be issued forthwith.

Any Certificate of Registration issued hereunder shall be revoked by the Chief of Police if the holder of the Certificate is convicted of a violation of any provision of this Chapter, or has made a false material statement in the application or otherwise becomes disqualified for the issuance of a Certificate of Registration under the terms of this Chapter. Immediately upon such revocation, written notice thereof shall be given by the Chief of Police to the holder of the Certificate in person or by certified [return receipt requested] U. S. Mail, addressed to his or her residence address set forth in the application. Immediately upon the giving of such notice, the Certificate of Registration shall become null and void.

The Certificate of Registration shall state the expiration date thereof.

7-2-5 POLICY ON SOLICITING. It is declared to be the policy of this municipality that the occupant or occupants of the residences in this municipality shall make the determination of whether solicitors shall be or shall not be invited to their respective residences.

7-2-6 NOTICE REGULATING SOLICITING. Every person desiring to secure the protection intended to be provided by the regulations pertaining to soliciting contained in this Article shall comply with the following directions:

(A) Notice of the determination by the occupant of giving invitation to solicitors or the refusal of invitation to solicitors to any residence shall be given in the manner provided in paragraph (B) of this section.

(B) A weatherproof card, approximately **three inches by four inches (3" x 4")** in size shall be exhibited upon or near the main entrance door to the residence indicating the determination by the occupant and containing the applicable words, as follows:

"ONLY REGISTERED SOLICITORS INVITED"

OR

"NO SOLICITORS INVITED"

(C) The letters shall be at least **one-third inch (1/3")** in height. For the purpose of uniformity, the cards shall be provided by the Chief of Police to persons requesting the same, at the cost thereof.

(D) Such card so exhibited shall constitute sufficient notice to any solicitor of the determination by the occupant of the residence of the information contained thereon.

7-2-7 **COMPLIANCE BY SOLICITORS.** It is the duty of every solicitor upon going onto any premises in this municipality upon which a residence as herein defined is located to first examine the notice provided for in **Section 7-2-6** if any is attached and be governed by the statement contained on the notice.

If the notice states "**ONLY REGISTERED SOLICITORS INVITED,**" then the solicitor not possessing a valid Certificate of Registration as herein provided for shall immediately and peacefully depart from the premises; and if the notice states, "**NO SOLICITORS INVITED,**" then the solicitor, whether registered or not shall immediately and peacefully depart from the premises.

Any solicitor who has gained entrance to any residence, whether invited or not, shall immediately and peacefully depart from the premises when requested to do so by the occupant.

7-2-8 **UNINVITED SOLICITING PROHIBITED.** It is declared to be unlawful and shall constitute a nuisance for any person to go upon any premises and ring the doorbell upon or near any door, or create any sound in any other manner calculated to attract the attention of the occupant of such residence for the purpose of securing an audience with the occupant thereof and engage in soliciting as herein defined, in defiance of the notice exhibited at the residence in accordance with the provisions of **Section 7-2-6**.

7-2-9 **TIME LIMIT ON SOLICITING.** It is hereby declared to be unlawful and shall constitute a nuisance for any person, whether registered under this Chapter or not, to go upon any premises and ring the doorbell upon or near any door of a residence located thereon, or rap or knock upon any door or create any sound in any other manner calculated to attract the attention of the occupant of such residence for the purpose of securing an audience with the occupant thereof and engage in soliciting as herein defined, prior to **8:00 A.M. or after 7:00 P.M.** of any weekday or at any time on a Sunday or on a State or National holiday. (**Ord. No. 11-11; 06-27-11**)

7-2-10 **SOLICITATIONS ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.** Charitable organizations shall be allowed to solicit upon public highways under the following terms and conditions:

(A) The charitable organization must be one that is registered with the Attorney General for the State of Illinois as a charitable organization as provided by "**An Act to Regulate Solicitation and Collection of Funds for Charitable Purposes, Providing for Violations Thereof, and Making an Appropriation Therefor,**" approved July 26, 1963, as amended.

(B) Solicit only at intersections where all traffic from all directions is required to come to a full stop.

(C) Be engaged in a state-wide fund-raising activity.

(D) Be liable for any injury to any person or property during the solicitation which is causally related to an act of ordinary negligence of the soliciting agent.

- (E) Any person so engaged in such solicitation shall be at least **sixteen (16) years of age** and shall wear a high visibility vest.
- (F) Solicit only during daylight hours.
- (G) Any one charitable organization shall be limited to conducting no more than **two (2)** solicitations per calendar year.

(See 626 ILCS Sec. 5/11-1006)

7-2-11 FEES AND BOND. Upon making an application for a Certificate, the applicant shall pay a license fee, which shall be as follows:

- (A) **Daily License:** **\$10.00 per person.**
- (B) **Semi-Annual License:** **\$100.00 per person.**
- (C) **Annual License:** **\$175.00 per person.**
- (D) See **Appendix "F"** for permit form.
- (E) **Police Fee:** A fee of **Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00)** shall be assessed to each applicant to cover the expense of an investigation.
- (F) A surety bond of **One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)** shall be provided by the applicant.
- (G) The Council has the authority to waive the bond and fee.
(Ord. No. 11-11; 06-27-11)

(See 65 ILCS Sec. 5/11-42-5)

ARTICLE III - PEDDLERS

7-3-1 **LICENSE REQUIRED.** It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to engage in the business of hawker or peddler of any merchandise, article or thing without having first secured a license therefor.

7-3-2 **DEFINITION.** **“Peddle”** shall mean the selling, bartering, or exchanging or the offering for sale, barter or exchange of any tangible personal property upon or along the streets, highways, or public places of this municipality or from house-to-house, whether at one place thereon or from place-to-place, from any wagon, truck, pushcart, or other vehicle or from movable receptacles of any kind, but shall not include the delivery of any item previously ordered or the sale of items along delivery routes where the purchaser has previously requested the seller to stop and exhibit his items. Nor shall **'peddle'** be taken to include the solicitation of orders by sample where the goods are not delivered at the time the order is taken.

7-3-3 **APPLICATIONS.** A person desiring a license may obtain the same by filing application with the Clerk and providing the following basic information:

- (A) Name and physical description of applicant.
- (B) Permanent home and address and local address if operating from such an address.
- (C) A brief description of the business and of the goods to be sold.
- (D) Name and address of the employer, if any.
- (E) The length of time for which the right to do business is desired.
- (F) Evidence that the agent is acting on behalf of the corporation he represents.
- (G) Statement of the applicant's criminal record other than a traffic record.
- (H) The last **three (3) municipalities** where the applicant carried on business immediately preceding the date of application to this municipality and the address from which such business was conducted in those municipalities. **(See form in the Appendix)**

7-3-4 **INVESTIGATION OF APPLICANTS.** Upon receipt, said application shall be referred to the Chief of Police who shall conduct a business and background investigation of the applicant. If the facts show the applicant unfit to receive the license, then it shall be denied. **(Ord. No. 11-11; 06-27-11)**

7-3-5 **HOURS.** It is hereby declared to be unlawful and shall constitute a nuisance for any person, whether registered under this Code or not, to engage in peddling as herein defined prior to **8:00 A.M.** or after **7:00 P.M.** of any weekday or at any time on a Sunday or on a State or National holiday. **(Ord. No. 11-11; 06-27-11)**

7-3-6 **FRAUD.** No licensed peddler or hawker shall be guilty of any fraud, cheating or misrepresentation, whether through himself or through an employee while acting as a peddler in this municipality, or shall barter, sell or peddle any goods or merchandise or wares other than those specified in his application for a license.

7-3-7 **PHOTOGRAPHS.** **Two (2) photographs** of the applicant and such of its employees as will be used in the peddling or merchandising, taken within **sixty (60) days** immediately prior to the filing of the application, which pictures shall be **two inches by two inches (2' x 2')**, showing the head and shoulders of the applicant or its agent(s) and/or employee(s) in a clear and distinguishing manner.

7-3-8 **UNWANTED PEDDLING.** Nothing contained in this Chapter, nor the issuance of any license hereunder shall entitle the licensee to go in or upon any private residence for the purpose of peddling if such licensee, his agents or employees are directed to depart from said private residence by the owner or person in charge thereof.

7-3-9 **PEDDLERS AS NUISANCE.** The practice of going in and upon private residences, business establishments or offices in the municipality by peddlers, hawkers, itinerant merchants and transient vendors of merchandise without having been requested or invited to do so by the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of said private residences and business establishments or offices for the purpose of disposing of and/or peddling or hawking of merchandise is hereby declared to be a nuisance and is punishable as a violation of this Code. No person shall peddle in a public square.

7-3-10 **DUTY OF POLICE TO ABATE.** The Police Department of this municipality is hereby required and directed to suppress the same and to abate any such nuisance as described in **Section 7-3-9.**

7-3-11 **EXCLUSIONARY PROVISION.** The provisions of this Article shall not apply to persons employed or representing an established merchant, business firm, or corporation located and regularly doing business in the municipality or to farmers selling any food items raised or produced by themselves and/or to permanently established residents who are voters in the municipality or anyone duly licensed.

7-3-12 FEES. The license fees per person to be charged for licenses to peddle in this municipality, each payable in advance, are hereby fixed and established as follows:

(A) **Daily License:** \$100.00 for six (6) months

(B) **Annual License:** \$175.00

(C) **Form.** The license form is found in **Appendix "F"**.

(D) **Police Fee.** A fee of **Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00)** shall be assessed each applicant to cover the cost of an investigation.

(E) The Council has the authority to waive the fee.
(Ord. No. 11-11; 06-27-11)

(See 65 ILCS Sec. 5/11-42-5)

ARTICLE IV - JUNK DEALERS

7-4-1 DEFINITIONS.

"JUNK" as used in this Chapter shall be held to mean and include scrap and old iron, steel, chain, brass, copper, magnesium, aluminum, tin, lead or other base metals, scrap lumber, old rope, old bags, rags, waste paper, paper clippings, scraps of woolens, clips, bagging, rubber and glass, and empty bottles of different kinds or sizes when the number of each kind or size is less than **one (1) gross**, any wrecked or dilapidated motor vehicle, engine, or machinery received, stored or held for more than **ninety (90) days**, and all articles and things discarded or no longer used as a manufactured article composed of or consisting of any **one (1)** or more of the materials or articles herein mentioned.

"JUNK DEALER" as used in this Chapter shall be held to mean and include every person, firm, partnership, or corporation that shall engage in the business of buying, selling, bartering or exchanging, or shall collect, receive, store or hold in possession for sale, barter or exchange, any of the things in and by this section defined as "junk".

"JUNK YARD" as used in this Chapter shall be held to mean and include the premises on which a junk dealer is engaged in the business of buying, selling, bartering, exchanging, or collecting, receiving, storing or holding in possession for sale, barter, or exchange, any of the things in and by this section defined as "junk"
(Also see Chapter 24, Article IV and Chapter 25, Articles I and III)

7-4-2 PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS. The minimum physical requirements at all times for each junk yard shall be as follows:

(A) The premises where the junk yard is located shall not have more than **two (2) entrances** thereto and **two (2) exits** therefrom, each of which shall not exceed **fifteen feet (15')** in width at the perimeter of the premises.

(B) The premises where the junk yard is located shall be enclosed on its perimeter with a solid, non-transparent, vertical wall or fence of a minimum height of **seven feet (7')** measured from ground level, excepting for the entrances and exits permitted by paragraph (A) above.

(C) The aforesaid solid, non-transparent wall or fence and the gates or doors, if any, at the aforesaid entrances and exits shall not contain any sign, poster or advertising matter of any kind whatsoever, excepting **one (1) sign** of the licensee thereon not exceeding **one hundred (100) square feet** in size.

(D) The public streets and alleys adjacent to the junk yard shall not have junk thereon.

7-4-3 **LICENSE REQUIRED.** It shall be unlawful for any person to keep, maintain, conduct or operate a junk yard within the corporate limits of the City without first obtaining a license to do so as herein provided. A separate license shall be secured for each junk yard located on non-contiguous lots, blocks, tracts or parcels of land.

7-4-4 **APPLICATION.** Before any license under the provisions of this section is issued, any person desiring to operate a junk yard in this City shall first make a verified application in writing to the Clerk in the absence of provision to the contrary, stating thereon the full name of the applicant, his residence address, the trade name of the applicant, the legal description of the premises where the junk yard is to be located, the size and approximate location of each entrance thereto and exit therefrom, whether or not the premises where the junk yard is to be located is enclosed on its perimeter with a solid, non-transparent wall or fence of a minimum height of **seven (7) feet**, measured from ground level, excepting the entrances and exits, and whether or not the public streets and alleys adjacent to the premises where the junk yard is to be located have junk thereon. If the applicant is a firm of partnership, the names and residence addresses of all the partners and in the case of a corporation, the names and residence addresses of the president and secretary shall be stated in the application.

7-4-5 **DISQUALIFICATION.** Any applicant for a license to keep, maintain, conduct or operate a junk yard shall be disqualified for any of the following reasons:

- (A) Not a person of good character.
- (B) Falsification of an application for a license hereunder.
- (C) License for a junk yard theretofore issued to the applicant has been revoked during the preceding **twenty-four (24) months**.
- (D) Failure to meet any one of the minimum physical requirements for a junk yard as specified in **Section 7-4-2** hereof.

7-4-6 **LICENSE.** Any and all licenses issued hereunder shall state that such license is issued in the name of the junk dealer solely for the purpose of keeping, maintaining, conducting and operating a junk yard, the expiration date thereof, the legal description of the premises where the junk yard is to be located, that the license shall be used and the privileges thereof exercised only at the described premises, and that such license is non-assignable and non-transferable.

Such license shall further provide that it is issued subject to all the provisions of this Chapter; that upon the first conviction for a violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter, in addition to the fine, such junk yard shall remain closed for a period of **thirty (30) days**; that upon the second conviction for a violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter, such license shall become null and void, and the licensee shall forfeit all sums paid for such license, and that the licensee, by the acceptance of such license expressly agrees to all the terms and conditions thereof, and to the terms and provisions of this section and all amendments thereto.

7-4-7 **LICENSE FEE.** The annual license fee for each junk yard shall be **Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)** payable in advance with the filing of the application for license, and shall not be subject to prorata reduction for a portion of the year, either because of the application for or because of revocation of a license; provided, however, that only **one (1)** annual license fee shall be payable for licenses which may be issued whenever the applicant desires to keep, maintain, conduct or operate junk yards on lots, blocks, tracts, or parcels of land which are situated on directly opposite sides of and abut upon each side of a public street or alley. Where such place of business is not located in the City, but the operator carries on the business of buying or collecting or bartering for the items heretofore enumerated within the City, the annual fee shall be **Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)** for each junk dealer. The fee is payable as provided in this Code.

7-4-8 **MINORS.** No licensee hereunder shall purchase or receive any article whatsoever from any minor, without the written consent of their parents or guardians.

(See 65 ILCS Sec. 5/11-42-3)

ARTICLE V - RAFFLE CODE

7-5-1 **DEFINITIONS.** Unless the context otherwise requires, the words and phrases herein defined are used in this Code in the sense given them in the following definitions:

"NET PROCEEDS" means the gross receipts from the conduct of raffles, less reasonable sums expended for prizes, local license fees and other reasonable operating expenses incurred as a result of operating a raffle.

"RAFFLE" means a form of lottery, as defined in **Section 28-2, subparagraph (b) of the Criminal Code of 1961**, conducted by an organization licensed under this Article in which:

(A) the player pays or agrees to pay something of value for a chance, presented and differentiated by a number or by a combination of numbers, or by some other medium, one or more of which chances is to be designated the winning chance;

(B) the winning chance is to be determined through a drawing or by some other method based on an element of chance by an act or set of acts on the part of persons conducting or connected with the lottery, except that the winning chance shall not be determined by the outcome of a publicly exhibited sporting contest.

The definitions contained in **Section 15/2, of Chapter 230; (III. Comp. Stat.)** are hereby adopted by reference as if fully set out herein. **(See 230 ILCS Sec. 15/1)**

7-5-2 **ADMINISTRATION.** The Mayor is hereby charged with the administration of the appropriate provisions of this Code, and may appoint persons to assist in the exercise of the powers and the performance of the duties herein provided, including, but not limited to, the members of his staff, the City Attorney, the City Clerk, and the Chief of Police. **(See 230 ILCS Sec. 15/2)**

7-5-3 **LICENSE REQUIRED.** No person or organization shall conduct or partake in the selling of raffle chances within the limits and territory of this City without having a license to do so issued by the Mayor in a manner hereinafter provided and a valid license for such purpose as provided by the Illinois Compiled Statutes. Licenses shall be issued only to bona fide religious, charitable, labor, fraternal, educational or veterans' organizations that operate without profit to their members and which have been in existence continuously for a period of **five (5) years** immediately before making application for a license and which have had during that entire **five (5) year period** a bona fide membership engaged in carrying out their objectives or to a nonprofit fundraising organization that the licensing authority determines is organized for the sole purpose of providing financial assistance to an identified individual or group of individuals suffering extreme financial hardship as the result of an illness, disability, accident or disaster. **(See 230 ILCS Sec. 15/2)**

(A) The above mentioned types of organizations shall be defined pursuant to the Illinois Compiled Statutes and incorporated herein;

(B) No person or organization shall be issued more than **one (1) license** in a period of **one (1) week**;

(C) The manager of a raffle game shall give a fidelity bond in the sum of **One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)** in the performance of his duties. The Mayor or his designated representative is authorized to waive requirement for bond by including a waiver provision in the license issued, provided that the license containing such waiver provision shall be granted only by majority vote of the members of the licensed organization. The terms of the bond shall provide that notice shall be given in writing to the licensing authority not less than **thirty (30) days** prior to its cancellation.

(D) Any license issued under this Code shall be nontransferable.

(E) The raffle license application form is found in **Appendix "G"**.

7-5-4 APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSE. The Mayor is authorized to grant and issue licenses to eligible organizations to conduct raffles and to participate in the sale of raffle tickets within the limits and territory of the City upon the conditions and in the manner provided by this Code and by the Act of the General Assembly of Illinois, and not otherwise. Such license shall be in writing, signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk with the seal of his office affixed thereto.

Prior to the issuance of a license, the applicant shall submit to the City Clerk an application, in triplicate, in writing and under oath stating the following:

(A) The name and address of the organization;

(B) The type of organization that is conducting the raffle, i.e., religious, charitable, labor, fraternal, educational, veterans or other;

(C) The length of time the organization has continually existed immediately before making application for a license;

(D) The applicant shall give the aggregate retail value of all prizes or merchandise awarded by a licensee in a single raffle;

(E) The applicant will give the maximum retail value of each prize awarded by a licensee in a single raffle;

(F) The amount that the organization plans to charge for each raffle chance issued or sold;

(G) The time and location where the raffle is to be held;

(H) The purpose for which the proceeds of the raffle will be used;

(I) The name and address of the person conducting and performing the raffle, and his relationship with the organization;

(J) The last date which the applicant has applied for a raffle license;

(K) The area in which the organization plans to sell or issue its raffle chances;

(L) Whether or not the applicant has ever been convicted of a felony.

7-5-5 APPLICATION: ISSUANCE. All licenses issued by the Mayor or City Clerk are subject to the following restrictions:

(A) No person, firm or corporation shall conduct raffles or chances without having first obtained a license therefor pursuant to this Code.

(B) The license and application for a license shall specify the area or areas within the licensing authority in which raffle chances will be sold or issued, the time period during which raffle chances will be sold or issued, the time of determination in winning chances, and the location or locations with which winning chances will be determined.

(C) The application shall contain a sworn statement attesting to the not-for-profit character of the prospective licensee organization signed by the presiding officer and the secretary of that organization.

(D) The Mayor shall act upon a license application within **thirty (30) days** from the date of application.

(E) The application for license shall be prepared in accordance with this Code.

(F) A license authorizes the licensee to conduct raffles as defined in this Code. **(See 230 ILCS Sec- 15/3)**

7-5-6 PROHIBITED LICENSEES. The following are ineligible for any raffle license:

(A) Any person who has been convicted of a felony.

(B) Any person who is or has been a professional gambler or gambling promoter;

(C) Any person who is not of good moral character;

(D) Any firm or corporation in which a person defined in paragraphs (A), (B) or (C) above has a propriety, equitable or credit interest, or in which such a person is active or employed;

(E) Any organization in which a person defined in paragraphs (A), (B), or (C) above is an officer, director or employee, whether compensated or not;

(F) Any organization in which a person defined in paragraphs (A), (B), or (C) above is to participate in the management or operation of a raffle as defined by this Code. **(See 230 ILCS Sec. 15/3)**

7-5-7 RESTRICTIONS ON THE CONDUCT OF RAFFLES.

(A) The entire net proceeds of any raffle must be exclusively devoted to the lawful purposes of the organization permitted to conduct that game.

(B) No person except a bona fide member of the sponsoring organization may participate in the management or operation of the raffle;

(C) No person may receive any remuneration or profit for participating in the management or operation of the raffle;

(D) A licensee may rent a premises on which to determine a winning chance or chances in a raffle only from an organization which has also been licensed under the Raffle Act;

(E) Raffle chances may be sold or issued only within the area specified on the license, and winning chances may be determined only at those locations specified on the license;

(F) No person under the age of **eighteen (18) years** may participate in the conducting of raffles or chances. A person under the age of **eighteen (18) years** may be within the area where winning chances are being determined only when accompanied by his parent or guardian.

(G) If a lessor rents premises where a winning chance or chances on a raffle are determined, the lessor shall not be criminally liable if the person who uses the premises for the determining of winning chances does not hold a license issued by the governing body of any county or municipality under the provisions of this Code. **(See 230 ILCS Sec. 15/4)**

7-5-8 RECORDS.

(A) Each organization licensed to conduct raffles and chances shall keep records of its gross receipts, expenses and net proceeds for each single gathering or occasion at which winning chances are determined. All deductions from the gross receipts for each single gathering or occasion shall be documented with receipts or other records indicating the amount, a description of the purchased item or service or other reason for the deduction, and the recipient. The distribution of net proceeds shall be itemized as to payee, purpose, amount and date of payment.

(B) Gross receipts from the operation of raffle programs shall be segregated from other revenues of the organization, including bingo gross receipts if bingo games are also conducted by the same non-profit organization pursuant to license therefor issued by the Department of Revenue of the State of Illinois, and placed in a separate account. Each organization shall have separate records of its raffles. The person who accounts for the gross receipts, expenses, and net proceeds from the operation of raffles shall not be the same person who accounts for other revenues of the organization.

(C) Each organization licensed to conduct raffles shall report monthly to its membership and to the City its gross receipts, expenses and net proceeds from raffles and the distribution of net proceeds itemized as required by this section.

(D) Records required by this section shall be preserved for **three (3) years**, and the organization shall make available their records relating to operation of raffles for public inspection at reasonable times and places. **(See 230 ILCS Sec. 15/6)**

7-5-9 TERM AND FEES.

(A) The aggregate retail value of all prizes or merchandise awarded by a licensee in a single raffle shall not exceed **Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00)**;

(B) The maximum retail value of each prize awarded by a licensee in a single raffle shall not exceed **Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00)**;

(C) The maximum price which may be charged for each raffle chance issued or sold shall not exceed **Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)**;

(D) The maximum number of days during which chances may be issued or sold shall not exceed **one hundred eighty (180) days**;

(E) Licenses issued pursuant to this Article shall be valid for **one (1) raffle** and may be suspended or revoked for any violation of this Article.

(Ord. No. 22-3; 02-28-22)

7-5-10 LIMITED CONSTRUCTION. Nothing in this Code shall be construed to authorize the conducting or operating of any gambling scheme, enterprise, activity or device other than raffles as provided for herein.

ED. NOTE: Political committees are required by Chapter 230, Sec. 15/8.1 to secure raffle licenses from the State Board of Elections.

(See 230 ILCS Sec. 15/2)

ARTICLE VI – CARNIVALS AND TENT SHOWS

7-6-1 **PERMIT REQUIRED.** It shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm, corporation, or association, except local not-for-profit organizations with approval of the City Council, to operate a carnival, circus, menagerie, exhibition of curiosities, or tent show or shows, without having first obtained a license as herein provided. Application for said license shall be made to the City Clerk and referred to the City Council. The license shall be granted upon the condition that there shall not be set up or operated any gambling device, lottery or other game of chance or any lewd, lascivious or indecent show or attraction making an indecent exposure of the person or suggesting lewdness or immorality, and it shall be unlawful for any licensee to operate or permit any gambling or to operate any gambling device, lottery or other game of chance, or to permit any lewd, lascivious or indecent show or attraction making an indecent exposure of the person or suggesting lewdness or immorality.

7-6-2 **LICENSE RESTRICTIONS.** No license shall be granted unless upon investigation it shall appear that the place at which it is desired to operate said carnival be a fit and proper place, and unless the entertainments desired to be given are not in violation of any ordinance of the City.

7-6-3 **BOND.** Before a license shall be issued, each applicant shall execute to the City a bond secured by a cash deposit in the sum of **One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)** conditioned that the applicant shall faithfully observe this Article, and conditioned, among other things, that the applicant for permit will pay for all damages or injuries to any private or public property, and conditioned further that the applicant will indemnify, save and keep harmless the City against all liabilities, judgments, costs and expenses which may in any wise accrue against the City in consequence of granting such permit or license. The bond shall not be released until the grounds are cleaned to the satisfaction of the Mayor. The bond shall be held by the City Treasurer, and shall not be released until permission is given by the Mayor to release the bond.

7-6-4 **FEE.** The fee to set up or operate the carnival shall be for each week the sum of **Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)** a part of which may be set over to the sponsoring organization for their services in providing aid in policing, etc., in conjunction with licensing of the carnival.

7-6-5 **COPIES.** The license provided for in this Article shall be made in duplicate, **one (1) copy** to be retained by the City Clerk and the other kept in the possession of the carnival manager, to be produced upon request of any member of the Police Department, or the City Council, and they shall at all times have free access to all booths, shows, concessions and other attractions for the purpose of determining as to whether or not there have been any violations of the terms of the license.

ARTICLE VII - VEHICULAR FOOD VENDOR

7-7-1 **DEFINITIONS.** As used in this Article, the following terms shall have the following meaning unless the context clearly indicates that a different meaning is intended:

“Place of Business or Business Headquarters” means a place where food products are stored or dispensed.

“Vehicular Food Vendor” means any person engaged in the business of selling food products from a vehicle, self-powered or otherwise, or a trailer or cart in the City limits, provided that the words “vehicular vendor” shall not include salesmen who use vehicles to go from place to place for the purpose of making sales on the premises of a prospective purchaser. **(Ord. No. 20-11; 07-13-20)**

7-7-2 **LICENSE REQUIRED.** No person shall operate as a vehicular food vendor without having first secured a valid license for each vehicle, trailer or cart operated within the City, and to be displayed on each vehicle to be used in the operation of any such business.

7-7-3 **APPLICATIONS.** A person desiring a license may obtain the same by filing with the Clerk and providing the following basic information:

- (A) Name and physical description of applicant.
- (B) Permanent home and address and local address if operating from such an address.
- (C) A brief description of the business and of the goods to be sold.
- (D) Name and address of the employer, if any.
- (E) The length of time for which the right to do business is desired.
- (F) Type of vehicle, trailer or cart to be used in the dispensing of food products.
- (G) Evidence that the agent is acting on behalf of the corporation he represents.
- (H) Statement of the applicant’s criminal record other than a traffic record.
- (I) The last **three (3) municipalities** where the applicant carried on business immediately preceding the date of application to this municipality and the address from which such business was conducted in those municipalities. **(See form in the Appendix.)**

7-7-4 **INVESTIGATION OF APPLICANTS.** Upon receipt, said application shall be referred to the Chief of Police who shall conduct a business and background investigation of the applicant. If the facts show the applicant unfit to receive the license, then it shall be denied.

7-7-5 **HOURS.** It is hereby declared to be unlawful and shall constitute a nuisance for any person, whether registered under this Code or not, to engage in vehicular food sales as herein defined prior to **6:00 A.M.** or after **9:00 P.M.** of any day. (**Ord. NO. 17-4; 02-27-17**)

7-7-6 **RESTRICTED TO FOOD PRODUCTS.** No licensed vehicular food vendor shall himself or through any employee while acting as a vehicular food vendor in this municipality barter, sell, or peddle any goods or merchandise or wares other than prepared food products for consumption by the customer as "take-out" from the premises.

7-7-7 **EXCLUSIONARY PROVISION.** Provisions of this Article shall not apply to persons employed or representing an established merchant, business, firm or corporation located and regularly doing business in the municipality, to farmers selling any food items raised or produced by themselves, or to vendors during a city-wide festival event.

7-7-8 **HEALTH STANDARDS.** Each vehicle, trailer, or cart shall be operated in a sanitary manner and in such a manner as to provide no health hazards. Foods shall be kept under the conditions and at the temperatures required for food in restaurants.

7-7-9 **COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH DEPARTMENT RULES.** No food, food products, or beverages for public consumption shall be kept, offered for sale, transported, or handled except in accordance with the rules and regulations of the State of Illinois and the Moultrie County Health Departments. If upon inspection, the Moultrie County Health Department should at any time find that any such rules of the Moultrie County Health Department have been violated then the license issued hereunder shall be suspended until the Moultrie County Health Department is satisfied that proper corrections have been made.

7-7-10 **FEES.** License fees per vehicle, trailer, or cart shall be payable in advance and are hereby fixed and established as follows:

(A) **Seasonal License:** **\$100.00 for six (6) months or less**

(B) **Annual License:** **\$175.00**

(C) **Form.** The license form is found in **Appendix "MM"**.

(D) **Police Fee.** A fee of **Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00)** shall be assessed each applicant to cover the cost of an investigation.

(E) The Council has the authority to waive the fee.

(Ord. No. 11-11; 06-27-11)