

Introduced by: City Manager Herron
Date: May 9, 2000
Public Hearing: May 23, 2000
Action: Enacted
Vote: Unanimous

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

ORDINANCE #00-14

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUSINESS LICENSING CODE

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bethel, Alaska, that:

SECTION 1. Classification. This ordinance is general and permanent in nature and shall be a part of the Bethel Municipal Code.

SECTION 2. Content. Section 5.04.080 of the Bethel Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

Section 5.04.080 Renewal of business license and termination of business.

A. Application for renewal of a license and payment of the biennial fee shall be made before December 31st of the license expiration year. Any renewal application made after December 31st of the license expiration year shall be subject to a fee for the business license of twice the fee set out in BMC 5.04.040A. By December 10 of each year, the finance department shall mail a written notice of renewal to each licensed business whose license will expire that year; provided, neither the failure of the city to mail the notice of the failure of a business to receive the notice shall have the effect of extending the December 31 renewal deadline nor of waiving any penalty or additional or increased fee for the late filing of a renewal application.

B. When a business license holder ceases to do business that the holder has been authorized to conduct under a business license issued by the city, the license holder shall notify the city in writing of the termination of the business within fourteen (14) days of such termination. Notice is not required where the business license holder transfers the business license to a successor assignee or purchaser.

SECTION 3. Content. Section 5.04.100 of the Bethel Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

Section 5.04.100 Failure to obtain and failure to give notice of termination.

A person who engages in business before filing a business license application, or who fails to file any report or to pay the fee as prescribed by this chapter, or who fails to file a license renewal application before February 1, shall in addition to payment of the required fee, be subject to a penalty of \$100.00 that shall be paid before the license may be issued. A business license holder who fails to give notice of termination of business shall also be subject to a penalty of \$100.00.

SECTION 2. Content. Section 5.04.080 of the Bethel Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

Section 5.04.110 Offenses.

It is unlawful for a person to:

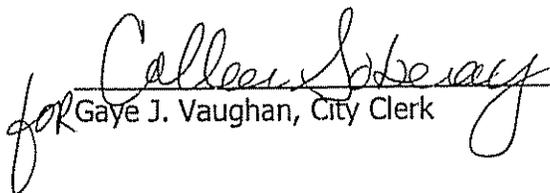
- A. Willfully evade the licensing provisions of the chapter,
- B. Fail to make an application for license or fail to keep or produce any records required hereunder or by regulation,
- C. Make a false or fraudulent return or false statement with intent to defraud the city or evade payment of the fee, or
- D. Aid or abet another in an attempt to evade payment of the fee.
- E. Fail to pay the required fee.
- F. Engage in or operate a business without a license issued pursuant to this chapter.
- G. Engage in or operate a business for which insurance is required under this chapter without a policy of such insurance in effect.
- H. Fail or refuse to produce a policy of insurance required by this chapter within seven (7) days of the delivery by the clerk of a written request to produce such policy.
- I. Fail to give written notice of termination of business as required by 5.04.080(B).

SECTION 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 23rd DAY OF MAY 2000, by a vote of 7 in favor and 0 opposed.


Michael O'Brien, Mayor

ATTEST:


for Gaye J. Vaughan, City Clerk