

## **REVENUE** **ORDINANCE**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Chicago is a home rule unit of government as defined in Article VII, Section 6(a) of the Illinois Constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, as a home rule unit of government, the City of Chicago may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the management of its finances is a matter pertaining to the government and affairs of the City of Chicago; now, therefore,

### **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:**

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### **ARTICLE I.** **CITY GOVERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION**

**SECTION 1.** On February 21, 2024, the City Council of the City of Chicago passed an ordinance, referenced as O2024-0007317, published at pages 9658 through 9666 of the Journal of the Proceedings of the City Council of the City of Chicago of that date, providing the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events and its Commissioner supplemental authority relating to the management and execution of exhibits, programs, festivals, and cultural and

entertainment events ("Ordinance"). SECTION 6 of the Ordinance, which appears on page 9660 of the Journal, is hereby amended by adding the language underscored, as follows:

**SECTION 6.** The Commissioner is authorized to allow point of sale purchase of food and beverage at Taste of Chicago. If DCASE requires coupons for purchase of food and beverage purchase at Taste of Chicago, then DCASE must impose a service charge of Three and no/100 Dollars (\$3.00) on the purchase of each strip, sheet, or other group of fourteen (14) coupons redeemable for food and beverage at Taste of Chicago. DCASE may also sell coupons in electronic and other formats and at quantities greater or less than fourteen (14). The service charge for an individual coupon must not be greater than 1/14 of Three and no/100 Dollars (\$3.00). The service charge will be applied to the City's costs for these Events, which include, without limitation: security, entertainment, programming, production and marketing, maintenance operation, restroom facilities, inclusion of dining areas and picnic tables, and public relations efforts regionally, nationally and internationally. Any balance remaining from the service charge revenues after payment of these costs must be applied to the costs incurred by the City with respect to various other Events.

**SECTION 2.** Section 1-4-090 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by adding the language underscored, as follows:

**1-4-090 Definitions for Code provisions.**

Unless the context requires other interpretations, the following words and terms are defined for purposes of this code as follows:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(m) "Consumer price index adjustment" or "CPI adjustment", except as otherwise defined in this Code, means the percentage increase in the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the Chicago metropolitan area over a one-year period ending with the month with the most recently available year-on-year change data prior to the date provided.

**SECTION 3.** Chapter 3-56 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**3-56-050 Fees – Late fees.**

(a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (a)(4) of this section, applicable ~~Applicable~~ annual license fees are as follows as of January 1, 2026; provided, however, that each amount set forth in this subsection (a) shall be adjusted upwards, if applicable, for the term starting on January 1, ~~2014~~ 2028, and every two years thereafter by applying to it the rate of ~~inflation~~ CPI increase over the two-year period ending on the most recent July 1, calculated based on the Consumer Price Index – Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (Chicago All Items) published by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, as calculated by the

Comptroller, communicated to the Clerk by the Comptroller, and published by the Clerk. Such adjustment shall take place on January 1 of the applicable year, and shall apply the ~~overall rate of inflation~~ CPI increase, if any, ~~for the two-year period ending on the most recent July 1 as provided by the Comptroller.~~ Provided further, that the amount of any such adjustment shall be capped at 105% of the fee being adjusted. The Comptroller's calculation of fee adjustment shall include rounding the resulting amount to the nearest whole dollar.

| <i>Vehicle</i>                | <i>Fee</i>                          |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Smaller passenger automobiles | <del>\$85.00</del> <u>\$105.18</u>  |
| Larger passenger automobiles  | <del>\$135.00</del> <u>\$167.07</u> |

(2) The City Clerk shall maintain a list of makes and models of passenger automobiles classified as "smaller" or "larger" for the purposes of this provision. The list shall be available for public inspection at any time during the Clerk's regular business hours.

| <i>Vehicle</i>   | <i>Fee</i>                          |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| Smaller passenger automobiles, larger passenger automobiles or motorcycles only, not more than one such motor vehicle, registered to a person 65 years of age or older, upon satisfactory proof of age and motor vehicle ownership   | <del>\$30.00</del> <u>\$37.00</u>   |
| Replacement passenger wheel tax license emblem registered to a person 65 years of age or older, upon satisfactory proof of age, proof of purchase and original damaged wheel tax license emblem or police report of theft  | <del>No Fee</del> <u>\$5.00</u>     |
| Antique motor vehicles   | <del>\$30.00</del> <u>\$37.14</u>   |
| Motorcycles or neighborhood electric vehicles  | <del>\$45.00</del> <u>\$55.69</u>   |
| Municipally owned vehicles   | No fee                              |
| Vehicles licensed to disabled veterans, purple heart veterans, or to persons who, while serving in the United States Armed Forces, were taken prisoner of war  | No fee                              |
| Vehicles licensed to handicapped individuals<br>Handicapped individual means every natural person who (1) has permanently lost the use of a leg or both legs or an arm or both arms or any combination thereof or any person who is so severely disabled as to be unable to move without the aid of crutches, tripod type cane, walker or a wheelchair; and (2) has a valid disability license plate issued by the Illinois Secretary of State | No fee                              |
| Tax-exempt organization-owned buses  | No fee                              |
| Trailers   | No fee                              |
| All other vehicles, including trucks, tractor-semitrailer units, motor buses and recreational vehicles:  |                                     |
| 16,000 lbs. gross vehicle weight or less   | <del>\$200.00</del> <u>\$247.50</u> |

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| 16,000 lbs. gross vehicle weight or less for not more than one such vehicle, registered to a person 65 years of age or older, upon satisfactory proof of age and motor vehicle ownership | <del>\$135.00</del> <u>\$156.00</u> |
| Over 16,000 lbs. gross vehicle weight  | <del>\$450.00</del> <u>\$556.92</u> |

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(4) By October 1 preceding a fee increase as described in (a)(1) of this section, upon consultation with the Budget Director, such fee increases may be stopped for a two-year term for fees listed for those persons of 65 years of age and older if the City Clerk determines that the increase would create undue financial hardship for those persons. The City Clerk shall submit financial projections related to the increase stoppage to the Budget Director at least 60 days in advance.

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(e) ~~For two separate periods in 2025 of up to 31 continuous days each, Upon~~ consultation with the Budget Director, the City Clerk may waive late fees required by Section 3-56-050 of the Municipal Code of Chicago for those individuals who owe late fees and apply for an initial or renewal wheel tax emblem during ~~that one period of up to 31 continuous days per~~ calendar year. The City Clerk shall submit financial projections related to the amnesty to the Budget Director at least 120 days in advance.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

### **3-56-120 Vehicle manufacturers and dealers.**

If any manufacturer or dealer ("applicant") in any of the motor vehicles mentioned in this chapter shall make application to the ~~city clerk~~ City Clerk and shall state that ~~he the applicant~~ is a manufacturer operating a plant for the construction of motor vehicles within the ~~city~~ City or dealer in such motor vehicles with a salesroom located within the ~~city~~ City and that ~~he the applicant~~ desires a wheel tax license emblem to be used by ~~him or it the applicant, the city clerk~~ City Clerk or his the City Clerk's designee shall upon payment by such applicant to the ~~comptroller~~ Comptroller of the fee hereinafter set forth issue to such ~~manufacturer or dealer applicant~~ a distinctive wheel tax license emblem with a number thereon. Said emblem must be attached to or borne by any such motor vehicles while being operated on the streets of the ~~city~~ City. When any such vehicle is in use and carries such wheel tax license emblem, no other license fee shall be collected under ~~the provisions of this chapter.~~

The As of January 1, 2026, the annual license fee to be paid for each such wheel tax license emblem for motor vehicles, except motorcycles, shall be ~~\$90.00~~ \$165.00, and said fee shall not be prorated. Such annual license fee shall be adjusted upwards, if applicable, for the term starting on January 1, 2028, and every two years thereafter by applying to it the rate of CPI increase over the two-year period ending on the most recent July 1, calculated based on the Consumer Price Index – Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (Chicago All Items) published by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, as calculated by the Comptroller, communicated to the Clerk by the Comptroller, and published by the Clerk. Such adjustment shall take place on January 1 of the applicable year, and shall apply the overall CPI increase, if any, for the two-year period ending on the most recent July 1. Provided further, that the amount

of any such adjustment shall be capped at 105% of the fee being adjusted. The Comptroller's calculation of fee adjustment shall include rounding the resulting amount to the nearest whole dollar.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

## **ARTICLE II. BUSINESSES AND CONSUMER PROTECTION**

**SECTION 1.** Section 3-32-030 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

### **3-32-030 Tax imposed.**

A. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a tax is imposed upon: (1) the lease or rental in the city of personal property, or (2) the privilege of using in the city personal property that is leased or rented outside the city. The incidence of the tax and the obligation to pay the tax are upon the lessee of the personal property.

B. The rate of the tax shall be ~~eleven~~ fifteen percent of the lease or rental price. The tax shall be paid by the lessee at the time of each lease or rental payment, and each tax payment shall be determined by applying the tax rate to the lease or rental payment.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 2.** Section 3-50-050 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

### **3-50-030 Tax imposed.**

A tax is hereby imposed on the retail sale or use of checkout bags in the City. The tax shall be paid by the user, and nothing in this chapter shall be construed to impose a tax on the occupation of a wholesaler or a store. The tax shall be imposed at the rate of ~~ten~~ fifteen cents (~~\$0.10~~) (\$0.15) per checkout bag sold or used in the City.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

### **3-50-050 Collection, remittance and payment.**

A. The tax shall be collected by each wholesaler who sells checkout bags to a store located in the City. The wholesaler shall remit the tax and file returns in accordance with Section 3-50-060.

B. Any wholesaler required to pay the tax shall collect the tax from each store in the City to whom the sales of checkout bags are made.

1. Where a checkout bag is sold by a store to a customer, the store shall collect the tax from the customer in the manner set forth in Section 3-50-040(B).

2. Where a checkout bag is given by a store to a customer, the store shall either collect or absorb the tax at its option in the manner set forth in Section 3-50-040(C).

3. Every store that remits or pays the tax imposed by this Chapter shall be eligible to retain one cent (\$0.01) per checkout bag sold or used, resulting in a net remittance or payment of ~~nine~~ fourteen cents ~~(\$0.09)~~ (\$0.14) per checkout bag sold or used. A wholesaler receiving such remittance or payment from a store shall be required to remit to the Department only the net amount of ~~nine~~ fourteen cents ~~(\$0.09)~~ (\$0.14) per checkout bag sold or used.

C. If any store located in the City shall receive or otherwise obtain checkout bags upon which the tax has not been collected by any wholesaler, then the store shall collect the tax and remit it directly to the Department in accordance with Section 3-50-060 for sales made to its customers and shall pay or remit the tax for checkout bags that it has used in accordance with Section 3-50-060.

D. If a wholesaler sells checkout bags to a purchaser other than a store for use or consumption by such person in the City, such wholesaler shall collect the tax from such purchaser and remit it to the Department in the same manner as applies to its sales to stores. The wholesaler shall be eligible to retain a commission in the amount of one cent (\$0.01) per checkout bag sold to such purchaser.

**SECTION 3.** Title 3 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting a new Chapter 3-57, as follows:

## **CHAPTER 3-57 CHICAGO PACKAGING WASTE TAX**

### **3-57-010 Title.**

This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Chicago Packaging Waste Tax Ordinance". The tax imposed by this chapter shall be known as the "Chicago Packaging Waste Tax".

### **3-57-020 Definitions.**

When any of the following words or terms are used in this chapter, they shall have the meaning set forth below:

"Covered packaging" means any single-use packaging used to prepare, package, or ship tangible personal property sold at retail, which are designed, intended, or otherwise generally recognized as for one usage only before being discarded. The term "covered packaging" includes, without limitation, single-use fulfillment packaging, corrugated boxes, polymailer bags (plastic or paper), and similar protective coverings. The term "covered packaging" shall not include: (i) any original packaging; (ii) any packaging used to package solely prescription and nonprescription medicines, drugs, medical appliances including, but not limited to, tampons and sanitary napkins, and insulin, urine testing materials, syringes and needles used by diabetics; (iii) any packaging provided by a dine-in or take-out restaurant to contain food or drink purchased by the restaurant's customers; and (iv) any packaging that customers bring to a store for their own use or to carry away from the store goods that are not placed in a packaging provided by the store.

"Department" means the Department of Finance.

"Original packaging" means the box, bag, receptacle, container, or other packaging containing tangible personal property for retail sale that is sealed and labeled by the manufacturer of such tangible personal property.

“Seller” means any person engaged in the business of selling tangible personal property in the City or to purchasers in the City.

The terms “application” and “third-party facilitator” have the respective meanings ascribed in Section 4-4-120.

### **3-57-030 Tax imposed.**

(a) Pursuant to the authority granted by 65 ILCS 5/8-11-6a, a tax is imposed on the use of covered packaging in connection with the retail sale of tangible personal property within the City, or that is consummated by shipment of such property to a location within the City, at the rate of \$0.15 per package, without regard to the number of items within such package. The incidence of the tax and the obligation to pay the tax are on the purchaser of the tangible personal property being carried out, or delivered, and the seller of such property shall collect and remit such tax, unless such sale is consummated, arranged, or facilitated by a third-party facilitator, in which case the third-party facilitator shall collect and remit such tax in accordance with Section 3-57-040.

(b) The tax imposed by this chapter shall not apply to any covered packaging subject to the Chicago checkout bag tax under Chapter 3-50 of this Code.

(c) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to impose the tax on any person or activity which, under the constitutions of the United States or the State of Illinois, may not be taxed by the City.

### **3-57-040 Collection and remittance responsibilities.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided herein, it shall be the duty of each seller of tangible personal property sold at retail within the City, or that is consummated by purchasing such property at retail in the City or shipment of such property to a location within the City, using covered packaging, to collect the tax imposed by this chapter from the purchaser of such property at the point of sale and to remit the tax to the Department in accordance with Section 3-57-050 of this chapter. In the event that a seller required to collect and remit taxes under this chapter fails to collect or remit the tax required to be collected by this chapter, the seller shall be liable to the City for the amount of such tax, plus any attendant penalties and interest.

(b) If a sale subject to the tax imposed by this chapter is consummated, arranged, or facilitated by means of an application, or if a third-party facilitator otherwise processes the payment for such sale, it shall be the duty of the third-party facilitator to collect the tax imposed by this chapter from the purchaser of such property at the point of sale and to remit the tax to the Department in accordance with Section 3-57-050 of this chapter. In the event that a third-party facilitator required to collect and remit taxes under this chapter fails to collect or remit the tax required to be collected by this chapter, the third-party facilitator shall be liable to the City for the amount of such tax, plus any attendant penalties and interest.

### **3-57-050 Paying, collecting, and remitting the tax and filing returns.**

On or before the last day of each calendar month, every person required to collect and remit the tax imposed by this chapter shall file with the Department a tax return and pay or remit all applicable tax attributable to the immediately preceding calendar month. The tax collector shall



file the required return on a form prescribed by the Comptroller and shall provide such information as the Comptroller may reasonably require.

### **3-57-060 Books and records.**

Every person required to collect and remit the tax imposed by this chapter shall keep accurate books and records of its business or activity, including original source documents and books of entry denoting the transaction that gave rise, or may have given rise, to the tax liability or any exemption that may be claimed. All such books and records shall be kept in the English language and, at all times during business hours of the day, shall be subject to and available for inspection by the Department.

### **3-57-070 Rules and regulations.**

The Comptroller is authorized to adopt, promulgate, and enforce rules and regulations pertaining to the application, administration, and enforcement of the tax imposed by this chapter. To maximize enforcement of the tax imposed by this chapter, the Comptroller may consult and work in conjunction with the Commissioner of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection.

### **3-57-080 Application of Uniform Revenue Procedures Ordinance.**

Whenever not inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter, the provisions of the Uniform Revenue Procedures Ordinance, Chapter 3-4 of this Code, as amended, shall apply to and supplement this chapter.

**SECTION 4.** Title 4 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

### **4-4-010 License – Required – Violation – Penalty.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any business for which a City of Chicago license is required without first having obtained the required license(s) for such business. Each location at which a business operates must be separately licensed. Except as otherwise provided in Title 4, any person violating this section shall be fined not less than ~~\$250.00~~ \$500.00 nor more than ~~\$500.00~~ \$1,000.00 for each offense. Each day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

### **4-5-010 Establishment of license fees.**

This chapter shall establish fees for various licenses created by this title unless otherwise provided. The following fees shall apply for the specified licenses. The chapter in which each fee requirement is created is also provided. Unless otherwise stated, fees shall be assessed every two years. For every license application which includes fingerprinting of the applicant as part of the application process, a fingerprint fee sufficient to cover the cost of processing



fingerprints will be assessed in addition to the below fees. The fingerprint fee will be assessed regardless of whether the license applied for is issued or denied. The amount of the fee will be set forth by regulation promulgated by the Commissioner of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection.

Each license fee set in this section for all limited business licenses and regulated business licenses shall be adjusted upwards starting January 2027, and each January thereafter according to the permit's term by applying to it the CPI adjustment, as defined in Section 1-4-090, up to 2.5 percent in any year, or in a lesser amount that the Commissioner determines is supported by the costs associated with administering such license. After the calculation of fee adjustment by any of these means, the amount shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar. The Commissioner shall publish such fees on a publicly accessible website.

A non-refundable online license application fee in the amount of \$25.00 must be paid to the City at the time of initial submission of any online application for a new business license under this chapter. A non-refundable credit equal to the online license application fee paid by the applicant will be applied towards the applicable license fee under this chapter. The balance of the license fee required by this section must be paid to the City before the applicable license may be issued. A license is not valid until all fees required by this chapter have been paid to the City. The Commissioner is authorized to establish rules based on operational requirements for license approval that limit the types of online license applications subject to the online license application fee established by this paragraph.

The fees for business licenses issued pursuant to Title 4, as of January 1, 2026, are as follows:

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| (1)   | Limited Business License   | <del>\$250.00</del><br><u>\$500.00</u>                              |
| (2)   | <u>Except as otherwise provided in this Section,</u> Regulated Business License (4-6) — <del>Other than Hotels and Booting of Motor Vehicles</del> | <del>\$250.00</del><br><u>\$1,000.00</u>                            |
| (3)   | Regulated Business License (4-6) – Hotels  | <del>\$250.00</del><br><u>\$1,000.00</u> plus<br>\$2.20 per<br>room |
| (3.1) | Regulated Business License (4-6) – Booting of Motor Vehicles   | \$1,000.00  |

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

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| (24) | <u>Regulated Business License (4-6) –</u> Massage establishment | \$550.00 |
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*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance)*

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| (40) | <u>Regulated Business License (4-6) –</u> Pharmaceutical representative per year | \$750.00 |
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*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

#### **4-8-068 Violation – Penalty.**

Any person who violates or who resists enforcement of any provision of this chapter or any rule duly promulgated thereunder shall be fined not less than ~~\$200.00~~ \$400.00 nor more than ~~\$1,000.00~~ \$5,000.00 for each offense. Each day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 5.** Chapter 4-250 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

#### **4-250-010 Definitions.**

As used in this section:

"Commercial Passenger Vessel" means any boat operated by an individual with a current United States Coast Guard issued Merchant Mariner Credential that carries passengers for hire, including but not limited to: charter, cruise, dinner, excursion, ferry, harbor tender, taxi, and tour boats.

"Licensee" means any person licensed or required to be licensed under this chapter.

#### **4-250-020 License – Required.**

No person shall engage in the business of operating one or more commercial passenger vessels on any public or private property within the ~~city~~ City without first having obtained a commercial passenger vessel license from the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner.

#### **4-250-025 Qualifications for license.**

(a) In order to qualify for a commercial passenger vessel license, whether upon initial application or upon application for renewal of a license:

(1) an applicant shall make its application to the Department according to procedures set by the Commissioner.

(2) an applicant shall be in compliance with all applicable City, County, State, and federal laws;

(3) an applicant shall provide all reasonable information required for the issuance of the application as requested by the Commissioner, which shall include, but not be limited to, identifying information for all commercial passenger vessels the applicant operates, regular business contact information, emergency contact information, ownership information, and an affidavit or similar legal instrument attesting that the applicant, its vessels, and its pilots are currently and shall remain in compliance with all applicable State and federal laws;

(4) an applicant, if applicable to its operations, shall secure legal authority to use City docks or to access City property;

(5) with respect to any corporate or limited liability company applicant, the applicant shall be organized or qualified to do business under the laws of the State;

(6) an applicant does not owe debt to the City as the term "debt" is defined in Section 4-4-150 of this Code; and

(7) obtain commercial general liability insurance, with limits of not less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence, for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage arising in any way from the issuance of the license or activities conducted pursuant to the license. The policy of insurance required under this section shall: (i) be issued by an insurer authorized to insure in Illinois; (ii) name the City of Chicago as additional insured on a primary, noncontributory basis for any liability arising directly or indirectly from the licensee's operations; and (iii) include a provision requiring 30 days' advance notice to the commissioner prior to cancellation or lapse of the policy. The licensee shall maintain the insurance required under this subsection in full force and effect throughout the duration of the license period. Proof of insurance shall be kept on the licensed commercial passenger vessel, and, upon request by any authorized city official, shall be made available for inspection by such authorized city official.

(b) It is a condition of the license that all information in the license application be kept current. An applicant shall notify the Department of any changes in information provided as part of its initial application or renewal application or changes to attestations the applicant made in its application or those which make the applicant no longer in compliance with this chapter with ten business days of the occurrence of such change.

#### **4-250-030 License – Fee.**

The fee for a an annual commercial passenger vessel license, and for any renewal of such license, shall be \$75.00 per license term if every vessel operated pursuant to the license will carry fewer than 20 passengers. The fee for such a license, and for any renewal of such license, shall be \$350.00 per license term if any one or more vessels operated pursuant to the license will carry 20 or more passengers. \$600, regardless of the number or type of commercial passenger vessels the licensee operates. The license term shall be from May 1 of each year through April 30 of the following year. Requirements for issuance and renewals of such license shall be payment of the required fee and compliance with this chapter and any the department's rules and regulations pertaining to commercial passenger vessels promulgated by the Department. Such license shall be in addition to any other license required by law. Provided, however, that a any commercial passenger vessel licensee licensed under this chapter public place of amusement license under Article III of Chapter 4-156 of this Code shall not be required to operate any commercial passenger vessel licensed under this section. obtain a public place of amusement license under Article III of Chapter 4-156 of this Code.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

#### **4-250-050 Penalty for violation.**

(a) Any person who violates any requirement of this chapter or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$750.00 for each offense of not less than \$250.00 nor more than \$1,000.00 for each offense. Each day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense to which a separate fine shall apply. In addition to such fine, any one or more of the following penalties may be imposed for any violation of this chapter or rule or regulation promulgated thereunder: (1) suspension or revocation of the commercial passenger vessel license; (2) restitution; and (3) injunctive or other equitable relief.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 6.** Section 11-4-2680 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

**11-4-2680 Violation – Penalty.**

(a) Unless otherwise provided in this article, penalties imposed for violations of any provisions of this article shall be not less than \$600 nor more than \$2,500 for the first violation; not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$5,000 for the second violation for the same offense within one year; and not less than \$1,500 nor more than \$10,000 for the third and each subsequent violation for the same offense within one year for each offense. Each day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense. ~~as provided in Section 11-4-030 of this Code.~~

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**ARTICLE III.  
FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS**

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 4-8 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**4-8-042 Inspections of and inspection fees for a place for eating.**

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(b) The fees for the inspections conducted by the ~~Buildings~~ Department of Buildings pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, ~~as of January 1, 2026,~~ are as follows:

- (1) 0 to 1,500 square feet, per year.....~~\$100.00~~ \$200.00
- (2) 1,501 – 4,500 square feet, per year.....~~\$250.00~~ \$500.00
- (3) 4,501 – 10,000 square feet, per year.....~~\$400.00~~ \$800.00
- (4) Over 10,000 square feet, per year.....~~\$550.00~~ \$1,100.00

Beginning January 2027, and each January thereafter, the inspection fees for a place for eating set in this subsection (b) shall automatically be increased in proportion to any increase in the CPI adjustment, as defined in Section 1-4-090, up to 2.5 percent in any one year, or in a lesser amount that the Building Commissioner determines is supported by the costs associated with administering such permit. After the calculation of fee adjustment by any of these means, the amount shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar. The Building Commissioner shall publish such fees on a publicly accessible website.

(c) ~~The provisions of this~~ This section shall not apply to any inspection by the ~~Buildings~~ Department of Buildings that is required as a condition of the issuance or renewal of any license or permit issued pursuant to this Code, or to any reinspection, emergency inspection or inspection in response to a complaint conducted by the ~~Buildings~~ Department of Buildings.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 2.** Section 7-42-090 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

**7-42-090 Violation – Penalty.**

Except as otherwise provided in this Code, any person who violates, or who resists the enforcement of, this chapter, Chapter 7-38 or Chapter 7-40, or the rules of the Department of Health, or rules promulgated by the Illinois Department of Public Health that are incorporated by reference into this Code, or any other provision of the ~~Municipal~~ Code relating to health and sanitation in any food establishment, or Sections 2, 4, or 7 of the most current version of the FDA's Pasteurized Milk Ordinance, shall be fined ~~\$500.00~~ \$525.00 for each priority violation; and ~~\$250.00~~ \$275.00 for each priority foundation violation. A separate and distinct offense shall be deemed to have been committed for each and every day on which any person shall be guilty of such violation; provided that, the intervening days between when a license holder whose license has been suspended applies for restoration of the license and a reinspection has been conducted by the Department of Health shall not constitute separate offenses if the violation was found to be corrected upon reinspection.

**ARTICLE IV.  
VEHICLES AND TRANSPORTATION**

**SECTION 1.** Section 3-16-030 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

**3-16-030 Tax imposed.**

A. A tax is imposed upon the mooring or docking of any watercraft for a fee in or on a harbor, river or other body of water within the corporate limits or jurisdiction of the ~~city~~ City. The person that pays the mooring or docking fee shall be liable for payment of the tax.

B. (1) Except as provided in subsection (B)(2), the rate of the tax shall be 23.25 percent of the mooring or docking fee.

(2) The rate of the tax assessed to a not-for-profit corporation, as defined by 805 ILCS 105/101.80, shall be seven percent of the mooring or docking fee.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 3-46 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

**3-46-020 Definitions.**

When any of the following words or terms are used in this chapter, they shall have the meaning set forth below:

“Congestion Zone One” means the entire portion of the City, excluding Navy Pier and McCormick Place, bounded as follows: Beginning at the intersection of West 31<sup>st</sup> Street and

South State Street; thence north along South State Street and continuing past West 26<sup>th</sup> Street and West Cermak Road to West 18<sup>th</sup> Street; thence west along West 18<sup>th</sup> Street and continuing west past the South Branch of the Chicago River and South Canal Street to its intersection with South Halsted Street; thence north along South Halsted Street to its intersection with West 18<sup>th</sup> Street; thence west along West 18<sup>th</sup> Street and continuing west past South Sangamon Street, South Racine Avenue, South Loomis Street, South Ashland Avenue, and South Damen Avenue to its intersection with South Western Avenue; thence north along South Western Avenue and continuing north past West 15<sup>th</sup> Street, West Ogden Avenue, West Roosevelt Road, West Polk Street, West Congress Parkway, West Adams Street, and West Madison Street to North Western Avenue; thence north along North Western Avenue and continuing north past West Lake Street, West Kinzie Street, West Grand Avenue, West Chicago Avenue, West Augusta Boulevard, West Division Street, West Hirsch Street, West North Avenue, West Bloomingdale Avenue, West Armitage Avenue, West Fullerton Avenue, and West Logan Boulevard to its intersection with West Diversey Avenue; thence east along West Diversey Avenue and continuing east past the North Branch of the Chicago River, North Damen Avenue, and North Ravenswood Avenue to its intersection with North Ashland Avenue; thence north along North Ashland Avenue and continuing north past West Wellington Avenue, West Belmont Avenue, West Roscoe Street, West Addison Street, West Grace Street, West Irving Park Road, West Berteau Avenue, West Montrose Avenue, West Wilson Avenue, West Lawrence Avenue, and West Winnemac Avenue to its intersection with West Foster Avenue; thence east along West Foster Avenue and continuing east past North Broadway, and North Sheridan Road to its intersection with North Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable Lake Shore Drive; thence continuing south and along South Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable Lake Shore Drive to its intersection with East McFetridge Drive; thence east along East McFetridge Drive to its intersection with Special Olympics Drive; thence north along the westerly lanes of Special Olympics Drive to its intersection with the northerly lanes of East Solidarity Drive; thence east along East Solidarity Drive and following its easterly extension to the shoreline of Lake Michigan; thence south along the shoreline of Lake Michigan; thence west and north following the full shoreline of Northerly Island; thence east and south continuing to follow the shoreline of Lake Michigan around Burham Harbor; thence continuing south along the shoreline of Lake Michigan to its intersection with the easterly extension of East 25<sup>th</sup> Street; thence west along the easterly extension of East 25<sup>th</sup> Street to its intersection with South Fort Dearborn; thence south along Fort Dearborn to its intersection with the easterly extension of East 31<sup>st</sup> Street; thence west along the easterly extension of East 31<sup>st</sup> Street and continuing west past South Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable Lake Shore Drive, South Cottage Grove Avenue, South Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, and South Michigan Avenue to the point of the beginning.

"Congestion Zone Two" means the entire portion of the City bounded as follows: Beginning at the intersection of South Cottage Grove Avenue and East 60<sup>th</sup> Street; thence north along South Cottage Grove Avenue to its intersection with East Hyde Park Boulevard; thence east along East Hyde Park Boulevard extended to South Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable Lake Shore Drive; thence south along South Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable Lake Shore Drive to its intersection with East 60<sup>th</sup> Street extended to South Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable Lake Shore Drive; thence west along East 60<sup>th</sup> Street to the point of the beginning.

A. "~~Department of business affairs and consumer protection~~ Business Affairs and Consumer Protection" means the ~~department of business affairs and consumer protection~~ Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection of the City of Chicago.

B. "Department" means the ~~department of finance~~ Department of Finance of the City of Chicago.

C. ~~[Reserved]~~



~~D.~~ "Ground transportation vehicle" means any for-hire vehicle used to provide transportation for a charge or other consideration to passengers, regardless of whether the consideration is paid by the passengers or by any other person. This term includes, but is not limited to, water taxis, as defined in Section 4-250-010 of this Code, low-speed electric public passenger vehicles, as defined in Section 9-114-010, pedicabs, taxicabs and all automobiles, limousines, buses and other vehicles used to provide transportation to passengers for a charge, whether or not licensed by the City or registered or titled with the State of Illinois. For purposes of this chapter, the phrase "for-hire vehicle used to provide transportation for a charge or other consideration" shall include a transportation network vehicle, and the term "charge or other consideration" shall include a suggested donation transferred in connection with the receipt of transportation network services.

The term "ground transportation vehicle" does not include vehicles operated by a government transportation agency or on behalf of a government transportation agency pursuant to a contract or a grant, vehicles devoted exclusively to funeral use, or vehicles used as ambulances.

~~E.~~ "License holder" means any person holding a license issued by the City under Chapter 9-110, 9-112, or 9-114 of this Code, as amended, or any person who has registered or titled a vehicle with any state or the District of Columbia if the vehicle is used to provide ground transportation to passengers. For purposes of this chapter, the phrase "person who has registered or titled a vehicle with any state or the District of Columbia if the vehicle is used to provide ground transportation to passengers" shall include a transportation network vehicle owner.

~~E.1~~ "Navy Pier" has the meaning ascribed to the term in 70 ILCS 210/2, located in the area bounded by the north side of (and including) Grand Avenue on the north, the shoreline of Lake Michigan on the east, the south side of (and including) Illinois Street on the south, and the east side of (and not including) Streeter Drive on the west.

~~E.2~~ "McCormick Place" means the complex under the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Pier, and Exposition Authority.

~~E.3~~ "Ride accepted" means any ride where a passenger is either picked up or dropped off in the city, or both.

~~F.~~ "Vehicle" means any vehicle that is self-propelled or horse-drawn and not operated on rails, but does not include motorized wheelchairs. For the purpose of this chapter, the term "vehicle" shall also include pedicabs.

~~G.~~ "Taxicab" means any ground transportation vehicle in which the lawful charge or fare is recorded and displayed by a taximeter or other fare-recording device.

~~H.~~ "Use in the city" means use of any ground transportation vehicle where passengers are either picked up or dropped off in the ~~city~~ City, or both.

~~I.~~ "Transportation network driver", "transportation network licensee", "transportation network provider", "transportation network service", "transportation network vehicle", and "wheelchair-accessible transportation network vehicle" have the meanings ascribed to these terms in Section 9-115-010 of this Code.

~~J.~~ "Transportation network vehicle owner" means any person who has registered or titled a vehicle with any state or the District of Columbia if the vehicle is used to provide transportation network service.

~~K.~~ "Downtown Zone" means the entire portion of the City, excluding Navy Pier, bounded as follows: beginning at the intersection of the shoreline of Lake Michigan and North Boulevard extended to the shoreline of Lake Michigan; thence west on and including the north side of North Boulevard extended to the shoreline of Lake Michigan to North Avenue; thence west on and including the north side of North Avenue to the North Branch of the Chicago River; thence southeasterly along the North Branch Canal of the Chicago River to the North Branch of the Chicago River; thence southeasterly along the North Branch of the Chicago River to Grand



~~Avenue; thence west on and including the north side of Grand Avenue to Ashland Avenue; thence south on and including the west side of Ashland Avenue to Van Buren Street; thence east on and including the south side of Van Buren Street to Desplaines Street; thence south on and including the west side of Desplaines Street to Roosevelt Road; thence east on and including the south side of Roosevelt Road extended to the shoreline of Lake Michigan; thence north along the shoreline of Lake Michigan to the place of the beginning. The term "Downtown Zone" does not include Navy Pier.~~

~~L.~~ "Single ride" means any ride provided to a transportation network service passenger who did not request a shared ride. The term "single ride" does not include a wheelchair-accessible ride.

~~M.~~ "Shared ride" means any ride provided to a transportation network service passenger who requested through the provider's Internet-enabled application or digital platform to share the ride with one or more other passengers who: (i) separately requested through the provider's Internet-enabled application or digital platform to share a ride; and (ii) may be picked up at the discretion of the transportation network provider, regardless of whether such request is met. The term "shared ride" does not include: (A) a ride provided to transportation network service passengers who requested a single ride and opted to share the fare; and (B) a wheelchair-accessible ride.

~~N.~~ "Wheelchair-accessible ride" means any ride provided to a transportation network service passenger who, directly or through someone acting on that person's behalf, requested a wheelchair-accessible transportation network vehicle through the provider's Internet-enabled application or digital platform, and who is transported in such vehicle while seated in a wheelchair.

~~O.~~ "Weekdays" means Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

### **3-46-030 Tax imposed.**

A. Pursuant to the authority granted by Section 11-42-6 of the Illinois Municipal Code, as amended, 65 ILCS § 5/11-42-6, a tax is imposed on all persons engaged in the occupation of providing ground transportation vehicles for use in the ~~city~~ City. The incidence of the tax and the obligation to pay the tax are on the license holder or on any person who is required to be, but is not, a license holder.

B. (1) The rate of the tax shall be in accordance with the following schedule:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(b-1) For ground transportation vehicles used in the ~~city~~ City to provide transportation network service by transportation network drivers:

(i) for every single ride:

(A) \$1.13 per vehicle per ride accepted;

(B) an additional \$1.50 per vehicle per ride accepted for every such ride that includes a pickup or drop-off, or both, between 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. in ~~the Downtown Zone~~ Congestion Zone One or Congestion Zone Two; and

(C) an additional \$5.00 per vehicle per ride accepted for every such ride that includes a pickup or drop-off, or both, at O'Hare International Airport, Midway International Airport, Navy Pier, or McCormick Place; and

(ii) for every shared ride:

(A) \$0.53 per vehicle per ride accepted;

(B) an additional \$0.60 per vehicle per ride accepted for every such ride that includes a pickup or drop-off, or both, between 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on weekdays in ~~the Downtown Zone~~ Congestion Zone One or Congestion Zone Two; and

(C) an additional \$5.00 per vehicle per ride accepted for every such ride that includes a pickup or drop-off, or both, at O'Hare International Airport, Midway International Airport, Navy Pier, or McCormick Place; and

(iii) for every wheelchair-accessible ride: \$0.53 per vehicle per ride accepted.

(c) For ground transportation vehicles with a seating capacity of 11 to 24 passengers, \$6.00 for each vehicle for each day the vehicle is used in the ~~city~~ City to provide ground transportation.

(d) For ground transportation vehicles with a seating capacity of more than 24 passengers, \$9.00 for each vehicle for each day the vehicle is used in the ~~city~~ City to provide ground transportation.

(e) For pedicabs, \$1.00 for each pedicab for each day the pedicab is used in the ~~city~~ City to provide ground transportation.

(2) For purposes of this subsection (B), it shall be presumed (a) that a taxicab is used in the ~~city~~ City during any calendar month in which the taxicab is licensed or required to be licensed pursuant to Chapter 9-112 of this Code, and (b) that the seating capacity of a ground transportation vehicle is the seating capacity designated by the vehicle's manufacturer.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

D. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to impose the tax on any person or activity which, under the constitutions of the United States or the State of Illinois, may not be taxed by the ~~city~~ City.

**SECTION 3.** Section 3-46-030 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

### **3-46-030 Tax imposed.**

A. Pursuant to the authority granted by Section 11-42-6 of the Illinois Municipal Code, as amended, 65 ILCS § 5/11-42-6, a tax is imposed on all persons engaged in the occupation of providing ground transportation vehicles for use in the ~~city~~ City. The incidence of the tax and the obligation to pay the tax are on the license holder or on any person who is required to be, but is not, a license holder.

B. (1) The rate of the tax shall be in accordance with the following schedule:

(a) For ground transportation vehicles that are taxicabs,

(i) which are licensed or are required to be licensed pursuant to Chapter 9-112 of this Code, \$98.00 for each taxicab for each calendar month during which the taxicab is used in the ~~city~~ City to provide ground transportation; provided, however, that no tax shall be due for any calendar month during which such a taxicab is out of operation for the entire month and the license for such taxicab is surrendered for the entire month. The \$98.00 tax shall not be subject to proration for portions of a calendar month;

(ii) which are not required to be licensed pursuant to Chapter 9-112 of this Code, \$3.50 for each taxicab for each day the taxicab is used in the ~~city~~ City to provide ground transportation but in no event more than \$98.00 per calendar month.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b-1), for ground transportation vehicles, other than taxicabs and pedicabs, with a seating capacity of ten or fewer passengers,

~~\$3.50 for each vehicle for each day the vehicle is used in the city to provide ground transportation.~~

(i) which are licensed or are required to be licensed pursuant to Chapter 9-114 of this Code, \$98.00 for each public passenger vehicle for each calendar month during which the public passenger vehicle is used in the City to provide ground transportation; provided, however, that no tax shall be due for any calendar month during which such a public passenger vehicle is out of operation for the entire month and the license for such public passenger vehicle is surrendered for the entire month. The \$98.00 tax shall not be subject to proration for portions of a calendar month;

(ii) which are not required to be licensed pursuant to Chapter 9-114 of this Code, \$3.50 for each public passenger vehicle for each day the public passenger vehicle is used in the City to provide ground transportation but in no event more than \$98.00 per calendar month.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 4.** Section 3-48-030 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

**3-48-030 Tax imposed.**

A. A tax is hereby imposed upon the privilege of leasing motor vehicles within the ~~city~~ City to a lessee on a daily or weekly basis in the amount of ~~\$2.75~~ \$0.50 per vehicle per rental period specified in the lease agreement.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 5.** Section 9-92-080 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

**9-92-080 Release procedure for impounded vehicles.**

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(b) The owner or other person entitled to possession of a vehicle lawfully impounded pursuant to Section 9-92-030 or Section 9-100-120 shall pay a fee of ~~\$150.00~~ \$250, or ~~\$250.00~~ \$350 if the vehicle has a gross weight of 8,000 pounds or more, to cover the cost of the towing and a fee of ~~\$25~~ \$50 per day or ~~\$50~~ \$100 per day if the vehicle has a gross weight of 8,000 pounds or more, to cover the cost of storage, provided that:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(iii) except as otherwise provided in this subsection, no more than ~~\$1,000~~ \$1,500 shall be charged or collected to cover the cost of storage per vehicle, regardless of the size of the vehicle or the duration of the storage;

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 6.** Section 9-100-020 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by adding the language underscored, and by deleting the language struck through, as follows:

**9-100-020 Violation – Penalty.**

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(b) The fines listed below shall be imposed for a violation of the following sections of the traffic code:

| <i>Traffic Code Section</i> | <i>Fine</i> |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
|-----------------------------|-------------|

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

|             |                                   |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| 9-64-190(a) | <del>\$50.00</del> <u>\$60.00</u> |
| 9-64-190(b) | <del>\$70.00</del> <u>\$80.00</u> |

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 7.** Chapter 9-114 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**9-114-070 License fees.**

The ~~annual~~ license fee for each public passenger vehicle of the class herein set forth is as follows:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Livery vehicle                               | <del>\$500.00</del> <u>\$1,200.00</u> for a <u>two-year</u> licensing term from <u>January 1 to December 31</u> <del>December 16 to December 15</del> |
| Charter/sightseeing vehicle                  | <del>\$500.00</del> <u>\$1,000.00</u> for a <u>one-year</u> licensing term from July 1 to June 30   |
| Medical carrier <u>vehicle</u>               | <del>\$500.00</del> <u>\$600.00</u> for a <u>one-year</u> licensing term from July 1 to June 30   |
| Jitney car service vehicle                   | \$250.00 for a <u>one-year</u> licensing term from July 1 to June 30  |
| Low-speed electric public passenger vehicles | \$500.00 for a <u>one-year</u> licensing term from July 1 to June 30  |

The license fee shall be paid before the license is issued. The license fee is non-refundable and shall not be prorated except regarding livery vehicles to establish the initial staggering of license renewals. All licenses shall expire on the date noted on the license unless renewed prior to the date of expiration. In order to renew a license, a licensee must renew with the Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection and pay the license fee before the expiration date of the current license term. A license not renewed with payment of the full license fee prior to its expiration date shall be considered lapsed, and any vehicle operated under a lapsed license

shall be considered an unlicensed public passenger vehicle. A lapsed license may be renewed for up to one year after expiration of the license term upon payment of the full license fee and the license type's respective late fee. Other than livery vehicle licenses, which shall have a late fee of \$150, all other late fees shall be set as provided in Section 4-4-260 of the Code. The Commissioner may permit the renewal of a license lapsed for more than one year upon the payment of an additional late fee for each year lapsed.

For a livery vehicle license, except as provided in this section, the license fee shall be paid upon the issuance of any new license or the renewal of any existing license. In order to establish the staggering of the total livery vehicle licenses due for renewal across the two-year license term, the Commissioner is authorized to issue initial or renewed livery vehicle licenses for a one-year or two-year license terms. The one-year livery vehicle license fee shall be half the amount of the fee for a two-year livery vehicle license. At the end of the one-year term of any such license issued for this purpose, the licensee shall be renewed for a two-year term. The method used to establish a staggering of license renewals across the two-year license term shall be through issuing new or renewed livery vehicle licenses such that odd numbered licenses expire in odd numbered years and even numbered licenses expire in even numbered years.

The Commissioner is authorized to set the renewal process for each category of public passenger vehicles by rules and regulations.

Nothing in this section shall affect the right of the City to impose or collect a vehicle tax and any occupational tax, as permitted by law, in addition to the license fee herein provided.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

#### **~~9-114-110 Unlawful to operate vehicle without current emblem.~~**

~~It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or to permit any person to operate a public passenger vehicle for hire without the emblem for the current year affixed or without written authorization from the commissioner to operate without an emblem. In addition to any applicable fines and penalties, the license of any person who violates this section shall be revoked.~~

#### **~~9-114-120 Tampering with license emblem unlawful — Penalty.~~**

~~It shall be unlawful for any person to cause or tamper with, alter or reaffix the license emblem to any public passenger vehicle. Any person who violates this section shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$200.00 nor more than \$500.00 for each offense, and if the person be a licensee, his public passenger vehicle license for the vehicle shall be revoked.~~

#### **~~9-114-130 Replacement of damaged or stolen license emblems — Fee.~~**

~~In the event a license emblem is lost or stolen, the licensee shall furnish to the commissioner a police report stating the facts pertaining to the loss or theft, and after review, the commissioner may issue and affix a duplicate emblem for a fee set by rules and regulations.~~

#### **9-114-140 License card.**

(a) The Commissioner shall provide a license card for each licensed public passenger vehicle. This license card must be displayed on the dashboard of the public passenger vehicle. At a minimum, this license card shall contain the name of the licensee and the license number of the public passenger vehicle. The Commissioner is authorized to promulgate rules for additional conditions of license card display and for replacement license card fees.

(b) The restricted chauffeur license of the driver of the public passenger vehicle must also be displayed next to the license card.

(c) No person may operate a public passenger vehicle unless the license card and driver's restricted chauffeur license is displayed as provided in this section.

(d) It shall be unlawful for any person to tamper with or alter the license card for any public passenger vehicle. Any person who violates this section shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$250.00 nor more than \$3,000 for each offense, and if the person is a public passenger vehicle licensee, the public passenger vehicle license for the vehicle shall be revoked.

(e) In the event a license card is lost or stolen, the licensee shall furnish to the Commissioner a police report stating the facts pertaining to the loss or theft, and after review, the Commissioner may issue a duplicate license card for a fee set by rules.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

## **ARTICLE V. STREETS AND PUBLIC WAYS**

**SECTION 1.** Section 9-108-010 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by adding the language underscored, as follows:

### **9-108-010 Definitions.**

For purposes of this chapter, the definitions in Section 9-4-010 and the following definitions shall apply:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

"Covered offense" means a parking or standing violation within the pilot area of Section 9-12-060, 9-40-060, 9-64-020(b), 9-64-040, 9-64-080, 9-64-100, 9-64-110, 9-64-140, 9-64-150, 9-64-160(b), 9-64-180, or 9-64-190 of this Code.

"Pilot area" means the streets or parts of streets within the City's jurisdiction within the area bounded by a line, inclusive of both sides of the street, as follows: beginning at the easternmost point of ~~North Avenue~~ West Irving Park Road extended to Lake Michigan; then west on ~~North Avenue~~ West Irving Park Road to North Ashland Avenue; then south on Ashland Avenue to ~~Roosevelt Road~~ South Archer Avenue; then northeast on South Archer Avenue to South Senour Avenue; then southeast on South Senour Avenue and continuing through its change to easterly on West 27<sup>th</sup> Street to South Halsted Street; then north on South Halsted Street to West 26<sup>th</sup> Street; then east on ~~Roosevelt Road~~ West 26<sup>th</sup> Street to its easternmost point extended to Lake Michigan; then north along the shoreline of Lake Michigan to the beginning point.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 10-20 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

### **10-20-420 Permit classes and fees.**

(a) Permit classes and fees for the establishment and maintenance of driveways under this article, as of January 1, 2026, shall be as follows:

| <i>Permit Class</i>   | <i>Fee per Driveway</i>                                     |
|---|---|
| (1) Class A   |   |
| (i) Residential - not to exceed 4 units   | a one-time fee of \$10.00                                   |
| (2) Class B   |   |
| (i) driveways up to 25 feet wide  | an annual fee of <del>\$100.00</del><br><u>\$120.00</u>     |
| (ii) driveways greater than 25 feet wide and less than 50 feet wide                         | an annual fee of <del>\$120.00</del><br><u>\$144.00</u>     |
| (iii) driveways greater than or equal to 50 feet wide and less than 80 feet wide            | an annual fee of <del>\$175.00</del><br><u>\$210.00</u>     |
| (iv) driveways greater than or equal to 80 feet wide and less than 120 feet wide            | an annual fee of <del>\$235.00</del><br><u>\$282.00</u>     |
| (v) driveways greater than or equal to 120 feet wide and less than 200 feet wide            | an annual fee of <del>\$335.00</del><br><u>\$402.00</u>     |
| (vi) driveways greater than or equal to 200 feet wide and less than 500 feet wide driveways | an annual fee of <del>\$635.00</del><br><u>\$762.00</u>     |
| (vii) greater than 500 feet wide  | an annual fee of<br><del>\$2,000.00</del> <u>\$2,400.00</u> |

Beginning January 2027, and each January thereafter, the permit fees set in this subsection (a) for all Class B permits shall automatically be increased in proportion to any increase in the CPI adjustment, as defined in Section 1-4-090, up to 2.5 percent in any one year, or in a lesser amount that the Commissioner determines is supported by the costs associated with administering such permit. After the calculation of fee adjustment by any of these means, the amount shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar. The Commissioner shall publish such fees on a publicly accessible website.

Provided, however, that any Chicago Public School or City College of Chicago shall, after payment of the first year's permit fee, be exempt from payment of the annual permit fee thereafter.

For purposes of this subsection, the width of a driveway shall be measured at its widest point.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

#### **10-20-450 Violation – Penalty.**

(a) Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter or applicable regulations concerning driveways shall be fined not less than ~~\$100.00~~ \$120.00 nor more than ~~\$1,000.00~~ \$1,200.00 for each offense, unless otherwise specifically provided. A separate and distinct



offense shall be held to have been committed each day any person violates any of said provisions.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

## **ARTICLE VI. BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION**

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 10-28 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

### **10-28-281 Definitions.**

For the purposes of this chapter, the following terms shall be defined as follows:

(a) "Apron" shall mean a platform extending from the exterior wall of a building at any level.  
"Central business district" means the entire portion of the City described at Section 9-4-010 of the Code.

~~(b) "Commissioner" shall mean the commissioner of transportation~~ Commissioner of Transportation.

(c) "Construction canopy" shall mean a temporary structure erected adjacent to a building undergoing construction, demolition, repair or maintenance which is designed to catch construction materials, and which obstructs any public way or public place, but allows for pedestrian traffic to pass under the structure.

~~(c-1) "Executive director" shall mean the executive director of emergency management and communications~~ Executive Director of Emergency Management and Communications.

(d) "Light duty construction canopy" shall mean a construction canopy designed to carry a live load of at least 150 pounds per square foot and up to 250 pounds per square foot.

"Permit application fee" or "application fee", for purposes of this Article V-A, shall mean one of the various fees charged to an applicant for the costs associated with processing its application for a permit issued pursuant to this article.

"Permit fee", for purposes of this Article V-A, shall mean one of the various fees charged for the costs associated with obstruction of the public way.

(f) "Public place" shall mean any exterior location open to the public, but shall not include the public way.

(g) "Public protection measures" shall mean the installation of a construction canopy or other temporary structure over, or the closure of, the public way or a public place, as necessary to ensure the safety of the public.

(h) "Type I activity" shall mean work on a building which involves alteration, repair of exterior facade, work conducted pursuant to the critical examination program, or demolition. This includes, but is not limited to, tuckpointing.

(i) "Type II activity" shall mean work which involves the construction of a new building.

(j) "Type III activity" shall mean any routine maintenance work on a building within the Central Business District, ~~as defined in Section 9-4-010~~, which does not require the removal of any physical structures. This includes, but is not limited to, painting, cleaning and window washing.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

### **10-28-281.3 Application fees; Permit fees.**

(A) *Obstruction of a public place.*

(1) Annual fee. For an obstruction of a public place for a Type III activity, the permittee shall pay a yearly fee of \$100.00. For an obstruction of a public place for a Type I and a Type II activity, the fee shall be \$50.00 per permit.

(2) Permit application fee. An application for a permit for obstruction of the public way shall include a permit application fee set by the Commissioner and published on a publicly accessible website. The Commissioner may distinguish and provide different permit application fees based on, among other reasonable distinctions, location, type of public way, partial or full obstruction of the public way, and by type of obstruction, including canopies, work vehicles, equipment, and barricades.

(3) CPI adjustments. Beginning January 2027, and each January thereafter, the permit application fees referenced in subsection (A)(2) and permit fees listed in subsections (B), (C), (D), and (I) of this section shall automatically be increased in proportion to any increase in the CPI adjustment, as defined in Section 1-4-090, up to 2.5 percent in any one year, or in a lesser amount that the Commissioner determines is supported by the costs associated with administering such application or permit. After the calculation of fee adjustment by any of these means, the amount shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar. The Commissioner shall publish such permit application fees and permit fees on a publicly accessible website.

(4) General permit fee base line. The permit fee amounts listed in the tables in subsections (B), (C), and (D) of this Section 10-28-281.3 are for locations in the Central Business District and are current as of January 1, 2026.

(a) For an obstruction of the public way outside the Central Business District the permit fees shall be one-half of the amounts in subsections (B), (C), and (D), updated accordingly each time such amounts have been subjected to a CPI adjustment.

(b) For an obstruction of the public way estimated to last no longer than three days, the permit fees shall be one-half of the amounts in subsection (B), updated accordingly each time such amounts have been subjected to a CPI adjustment.

(B) Obstruction of public way – initial permit fees. An application for or an obstruction of the public way permit shall include a permit application fee set by the Commissioner. Beginning January 1, 2021, and each year on January 1st thereafter, this permit application fee shall automatically be increased in proportion to any increase in the CPI, as defined in Section 10-29-040, up to 2.5 percent in any one year, or in an amount that the Commissioner determines is supported by the costs associated with administering such permit. The Commissioner shall ensure such permit fee is published on a publicly accessible website. A permittee shall also be responsible for additional charges above the cost of the permit application fee as described in this section. Within the Central Business District, for the first 180 days for a Type I and Type III activity and for the first 540 days for a Type II activity, the permit fees per month for each foot of frontage obstructed shall be as follows:

#### **Initial Permit Fees:**

| <i>Type of obstruction</i>            | <i>Permit fee</i>  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Sidewalk or parkway - partial closure | <del>\$4.00</del> <u>\$5.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$80.00</del> <u>\$96.00</u> per month    |
| Sidewalk or parkway - total closure   | <del>\$8.00</del> <u>\$10.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$160.00</del> <u>\$192.00</u> per month |

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| Bicycle lane - total closure  | <del>\$8.00</del> <del>\$10.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$160.00</del><br><del>\$192.00</del> per month  |
| Street lane containing parking spaces                                 | <del>\$20.00</del> <del>\$24.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$400.00</del><br><del>\$480.00</del> per month |
| Street lane normally used for vehicular traffic, including a bus lane | <del>\$40.00</del> <del>\$48.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$800.00</del><br><del>\$960.00</del> per month |
| Alley - if a lane of at least 10 feet is left unobstructed            | <del>\$10.00</del> <del>\$12.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$200.00</del><br><del>\$240.00</del> per month |
| Alley - if a lane of at least 10 feet is not left unobstructed        | <del>\$20.00</del> <del>\$24.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$400.00</del><br><del>\$480.00</del> per month |

(C) *Type I and Type III activity permit fees – after first 180 days.* In the event that the permittee seeks to continue its permitted status for a Type I or Type III activity after 180 days, the permit fees for each month of each foot of frontage used shall be as set forth in this subsection, except that after 720 days, and every 180 days thereafter, the monthly permit fee shall increase by an additional ~~\$2.00~~ (~~\$4.00~~ in ~~\$4.00~~ inside the Central Business District (~~\$2.00~~ outside the Central Business District) for each foot of frontage obstructed for the partial closure of a sidewalk or parkway, and by an additional ~~\$4.00~~ (~~\$8.00~~ in ~~\$8.00~~ inside the Central Business District (~~\$4.00~~ outside the Central Business District) for each foot of frontage obstructed for the total closure of a sidewalk or parkway. Such permit fee shall be calculated based on the total continuous days for which the sidewalk or parkway is obstructed, notwithstanding any change in permittee.

**Type I and Type III activity permit fees - after 180 days:**

| <i>Type of obstruction</i>                       | <i>181 – 360 days after the initial permit date</i>   | <i>361 – 540 days after the initial permit date</i>   | <i>More than 541 days after the initial permit date</i>   |
|--|---|---|---|
| Sidewalk or parkway - partial closure            | <del>\$8.00</del> <del>\$10.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$160.00</del> <del>\$192.00</del> per month  | <del>\$12.00</del> <del>\$14.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$240.00</del> <del>\$288.00</del> per month     | <del>\$16.00</del> <del>\$19.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$320.00</del> <del>\$384.00</del> per month       |
| Sidewalk or parkway - total closure              | <del>\$16.00</del> <del>\$19.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$320.00</del> <del>\$384.00</del> per month | <del>\$24.00</del> <del>\$29.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$480.00</del> <del>\$576.00</del> per month     | <del>\$32.00</del> <del>\$38.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$640.00</del> <del>\$768.00</del> per month       |
| Bicycle lane - total closure                     | <del>\$16.00</del> <del>\$19.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$320.00</del> <del>\$384.00</del> per month | <del>\$24.00</del> <del>\$29.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$480.00</del> <del>\$576.00</del> per month     | <del>\$32.00</del> <del>\$38.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$640.00</del> <del>\$768.00</del> per month       |
| Street lane containing parking spaces            | <del>\$40.00</del> <del>\$48.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$800.00</del> <del>\$960.00</del> per month | <del>\$60.00</del> <del>\$72.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$1,200.00</del> <del>\$1,440.00</del> per month | <del>\$80.00</del> <del>\$96.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$1,600.00</del> <del>\$1,920.00</del> per month   |
| Street lane normally used for vehicular traffic, | <del>\$80.00</del> <del>\$96.00</del> , but in no event less than   | <del>\$120.00</del> <del>\$144.00</del> , but in no event less  | <del>\$160.00</del> <del>\$192.00</del> , but in no event less than <del>\$3,200.00</del> <del>\$3,840.00</del> per month |

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| including a bus lane   | <del>\$1,600.00</del> <u>\$1,920.00</u> per month   | than <del>\$2,400.00</del> <u>\$2,880.00</u> per month  |   |
| Alley - if a lane of at least 10 feet is left unobstructed     | <del>\$20.00</del> <u>\$24.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$400.00</del> <u>\$480.00</u> per month | <del>\$30.00</del> <u>\$36.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$600.00</del> <u>\$720.00</u> per month     | <del>\$40.00</del> <u>\$48.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$800.00</del> <u>\$960.00</u> per month     |
| Alley - if a lane of at least 10 feet is not left unobstructed | <del>\$40.00</del> <u>\$48.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$800.00</del> <u>\$960.00</u> per month | <del>\$60.00</del> <u>\$72.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$1,200.00</del> <u>\$1,440.00</u> per month | <del>\$80.00</del> <u>\$96.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$1,600.00</del> <u>\$1,920.00</u> per month |

(D) *Type II activity permit fees – after first 540 days.* In the event the permittee seeks to continue its permitted status for a Type II activity after 540 days, the permit fees for each month of each foot of frontage used shall be as follows:

**Type II activity permit fees - after 540 days:**

| <i>Type of obstruction</i>  | <i>After 540 days</i>   |
|---|---|
| Sidewalk or parkway - partial closure                                 | <del>8.00</del> <u>\$10.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$160.00</del> <u>\$192.00</u> per month        |
| Sidewalk or parkway - total closure                                   | <del>\$16.00</del> <u>\$19.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$320.00</del> <u>\$384.00</u> per month     |
| Bicycle lane - total closure  | <del>\$16.00</del> <u>\$19.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$320.00</del> <u>\$384.00</u> per month     |
| Street lane containing parking spaces                                 | <del>\$40.00</del> <u>\$48.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$800.00</del> <u>\$960.00</u> per month     |
| Street lane normally used for vehicular traffic, including a bus lane | <del>\$80.00</del> <u>\$96.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$1,600.00</del> <u>\$1,920.00</u> per month |
| Alley - if a lane of at least 10 feet is left unobstructed            | <del>\$20.00</del> <u>\$24.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$400.00</del> <u>\$480.00</u> per month     |
| Alley - if a lane of at least 10 feet is not left unobstructed        | <del>\$40.00</del> <u>\$48.00</u> , but in no event less than <del>\$800.00</del> <u>\$960.00</u> per month     |

(E) The use of a construction canopy which obstructs the public way, but allows for pedestrians to pass under the structure, shall be considered a partial closure for the calculation of the above permit application fees and permit fees.

(F) The charges described in this section shall be cumulative by type of obstruction, and, for permit fees, any period over three days shall be counted as a full month in calculating these charges. These charges are in addition to any appropriate charges for restoration of the public way due to alteration or damage, loss of parking meter revenues, for costs of relocation of parking meters, and for costs of relocation of traffic control devices.

~~(G) For an obstruction of the public way outside the Central Business District and for an obstruction estimated to last no longer than three days, the permit fees shall be one-half of the amounts in subsections (B), (C) and (D).~~

(HG) Duration of an obstruction shall be calculated from the original date of the obstruction to its removal, regardless of the number of amended permit periods; however, if a permit is issued for a construction canopy for the purposes of demolition (a Type I activity) and the construction canopy remains in place during subsequent new construction (a Type II activity), a new Type II permit is necessary and the duration of the obstruction shall be calculated from the date of the new permit.

(IH) In addition to any other fee required by this section, a reinspection fee of \$100.00 shall be assessed against any person issued a permit under this section whenever the ~~department~~ Department of Transportation ~~Transportation~~ conducts a reinspection after an initial inspection to verify compliance with the ~~municipal code~~ Code or any conditions of the permit issued under this section. A reinspection fee shall also be assessed whenever any scheduled inspection by the ~~department~~ Department of Transportation ~~Transportation~~ cannot take place because of the absence of, or other action or inaction, taken by the permittee.

(I) The Commissioner shall have the authority to issue permits and set reasonable permit fees for such permits for obstruction of the public way by vehicles and equipment whether being used in conjunction with a Type I activity, Type II activity, or Type III activity or for any other purpose, including but not limited to the permit fees provided below. The permit fees set by the Commissioner may be based on the amount of public way space occupied, the type of public way space occupied, the time spent occupying the space, the location in town such as inside or outside the Central Business District, the type of vehicle or equipment, or any other reasonable distinction. Any time the use of any vehicle or equipment requiring the permits described in the table below or those promulgated under the Commissioner's authority coincide with activity requiring permits described in subsections (B), (C), or (D), the permittee shall be responsible for both sets of charges. The following permit types and permit fees are current as of January 1, 2026:

| <u>Permit by vehicle or equipment type or use</u>         | <u>Fee for locations outside Central Business District</u>           | <u>Fee for locations inside Central Business District</u> |
|---|--|---|
| <u>Moving van parking in the public way</u>               | <u>\$30.00 per day per vehicle</u>                                   | <u>\$60.00 per day per vehicle</u>                        |
| <u>Work vehicle parking in the public way</u>             | <u>\$30.00 per day per vehicle</u>                                   | <u>\$60.00 per day per vehicle</u>                        |
| <u>Citywide parking in the public way permit (annual)</u> | <u>\$600.00 (covers all locations in the City for one-year term)</u> |   |

#### **10-28-281.4 Prohibited uses of traffic and curb lanes.**

A permit issued pursuant to this chapter does not allow its holder to locate a temporary office or other structure, or any materials within an obstructed traffic or curb lane. The permit holder also may not locate a vehicle within an obstructed traffic or curb lane, unless the vehicle is being used for the expeditious loading or unloading of materials, tools or supplies, or the permittee obtains prior approval from the commissioner. A violation of this section shall result in a fine of ~~\$500.00~~ \$600.00 per day for each violation.

#### **10-28-281.5 Penalties.**

(A) *Failure to obtain permit.* Any person who fails to take public protection measures, or takes public protection measures without having first obtained the necessary permits, or obstructs a public way or public place in the city without having first obtained the necessary

permit from the ~~commissioner of transportation~~ Commissioner of Transportation, or who violates the terms or conditions of a permit for such work, shall be subject to a penalty for each offense of not less than ~~\$500.00~~ \$1,000.00 nor more than ~~\$2,500.00~~ \$3,000.00 per day.

(B) *Failure to amend permit.* If a permittee fails to obtain an amended permit before the permit's expiration date, the permittee and the building owner shall be subject to a fine of not less than ~~\$500.00~~ \$1,000.00 nor more than ~~\$2,500.00~~ \$3,000.00 per day for each violation, plus the delinquent permit fees shall be increased by ten percent.

(C) *Non-compliant obstruction.* If the dimensions of the obstruction exceed the dimensions allowed by the permit, the permittee and the building owner shall jointly be assessed a fine equal to ~~\$1,000.00~~ \$1,200.00 per day for each violation, plus any appropriate additional fees for the obstruction.

(D) *Inactivity.* If three consecutive months of inactivity are found at a permitted site on the public way, the permittee and the building owner shall be jointly assessed, in addition to any above fees, a fine of not less than ~~\$1,000.00~~ \$1,200.00 nor more than ~~\$2,500.00~~ \$3,000.00 per day. The ~~commissioner of transportation~~ Commissioner of Transportation, the ~~executive director~~ Executive Director of emergency management and communications Emergency Management and Communications and the ~~commissioner of buildings~~ Commissioner of Buildings shall be authorized to inspect the permittee's and the owner's books and records at any time during regular business hours to determine the period of inactivity, and shall have the authority to enforce this chapter.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 14X-12 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

#### **14X-12-1204.4 Fees.**

As of January 1, 2026, the fees are as follows. The fee for each registered structure for each registration or renewal period is \$30. The registration fee or renewal fee is \$100 if the applicable registration or renewal takes place not through voluntary and timely compliance, but as the result of a City identification of a violation of Section 14X-12-1204. Beginning January 2027, and each January thereafter, these fees shall automatically be increased in proportion to any increase in the CPI adjustment, as defined in Section 1-4-090, up to 2.5 percent in any one year, or in a lesser amount that the Commissioner determines is supported by the costs associated with administering such permit. After the calculation of fee adjustment by any of these means, the amount shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar. The Commissioner shall publish such fees on a publicly accessible website.

**Exception:** Governmental agencies are exempt from registration and renewal fees.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

#### **14X-12-1205.3.3 Fees.**



~~The~~ As of January 1, 2026, the initial registration fee for each registered *structure* is \$700.~~The~~ and the fee for each renewal period is ~~\$30~~ \$350. Beginning January 2027, and each January thereafter, these fees shall automatically be increased in proportion to any increase in the CPI adjustment, as defined in Section 1-4-090, up to 2.5 percent in any one year, or in a lesser amount that the Commissioner determines is supported by the costs associated with administering such permit. After the calculation of fee adjustment by any of these means, the amount shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar. The Commissioner shall publish such fees on a publicly accessible website.

**Exception:** Governmental agencies are exempt from registration and renewal fees.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

## **ARTICLE VII. EMPLOYER EXPENSE TAX**

**SECTION 1.** Title 3 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended adding a new Chapter 3-20 as follows:

### **3-20-010 Title.**

This chapter shall be known and cited as the “Employer Expense Tax Ordinance” and the tax herein imposed shall be known and cited as the “Employer Expense Tax”.

### **3-20-020 Definitions and construction.**

For the purposes of this chapter, when any of the following words or terms are used, they shall have the meaning and construction ascribed to them in this section:

A. “Association” means a partnership, limited partnership, or any other form of unincorporated business, syndicate or enterprise, owned by two or more persons.

B. “Business” means any activity, enterprise, profession, trade or undertaking of any nature conducted or engaged in, or ordinarily conducted or engaged in, with the object of gain, benefit or advantages, whether direct or indirect, to the employer or to another or others. The term shall include entities which are subsidiary or independent, conducting operations for the benefit of others and at no benefit to themselves, nonprofit businesses and trade associations.

C. “Commission merchant” means as follows:

1. The term “commission merchant” means a person who, for compensation in the form of a commission, or partly commission and partly salary, engages in buying and selling activities, including the solicitation or negotiation of a sale or service requirement, or the forwarding or accepting of sales or service orders, which lead to the sale of services or of goods, wares, commodities, merchandise, shares of stock and insurance policies owned or authorized by some person other than the commission merchant. The term “commission merchant” shall include agents or employees who receive compensation in such form for such activities.

2. For the purpose of this chapter, the term “commission merchant” shall mean only those individuals who earn or to whom are owed commissions, or salaries and commissions together, of at least the Chicago minimum wage set by Section 6-105-020(b)(1)



multiplied by 455 in any calendar quarter, from the same employer who is subject to the tax imposed by this chapter.

3. The business of a commission merchant shall be deemed to include the buying and selling of services, goods, wares, commodities, merchandise, shares of stock and insurance policies by a person to the extent that the person for himself (a) does not engage on a continuing basis in the business of servicing, manufacturing, refining, fabricating, milling, treating or other processing of the goods, wares, commodities, merchandise, shares of stock and insurance policies bought and sold and does not cause goods, wares, commodities or merchandise to be manufactured, refined, fabricated, milled, treated or otherwise processed on a continuing basis; (b) does not obtain or retain title to goods, wares, commodities, merchandise or shares of stock except in one or more of the following situations: while such may be in transit, or for short periods of time before transportation commences or after it ceases; and (c) does not store or warehouse such goods, wares, commodities or merchandise except during one or more of the following situations: while such goods, wares, commodities or merchandise are actually in transit or for short periods of time before transportation commences or after it ceases.

D. "Department" means the Department of Finance of the City.

E. "Employee" means and includes any individual permitted to work for remuneration by any employer in any activity, enterprise, profession, trade or undertaking, of any nature conducted or engaged in, or ordinarily conducted or engaged in, with the object of gain, benefit, or advantages, whether direct or indirect, to the taxpayer or to another or others. For purposes of this chapter, said term excludes any individual performing:

1. Agricultural labor, as that term is defined in Section 214 of the Illinois Unemployment Insurance Act;
2. Domestic service solely on a daily basis in a private home;
3. Newspaper carrier delivery or distribution service when the individual is under the age of 18 years;
4. Services in the employ of any organization described in Sections 501(c), 501(d), or 401(c) of Title 26 of the United States Code, as qualified by Sections 502 and 503 of said Title 26, unless such organization normally, annually, receives unrelated business income in excess of 50 percent of its total income. For purposes of this ordinance, unrelated business income shall have the meaning set forth in Sections 511, 512, 513, 514, and 515 of Title 26 of the United States Code;
5. Services in the employ of one's father, mother, son, daughter, or spouse;
6. Services in the employ of any governmental unit, including federal, state, or local political subdivisions;

F. "Full-time employee" means an individual who earns or to whom are accrued wages from employment of at least the Chicago minimum wage set by Section 6-105-020(b)(1) multiplied by 455 in any calendar quarter of a year from or for the same employer who is subject to the tax imposed by this chapter.

G. "Employer" means any person that employs one or more employees performing services in whole or in part within the City. An employer is subject to the tax imposed by this chapter for any full calendar quarter during which it employs 500 or more full-time employees, or commission merchants, or any combination thereof.

H. "Individual" means a natural person, a human being, as distinguished from an artificial person such as a corporation or political subdivision.

### **3-20-030 Employer's expense tax.**

A. A tax is hereby imposed upon every employer who, in connection with the employer's business, engages, hires, employs, or contracts with 500 or more individuals as commission merchants and full-time employees, or any combination thereof, to perform work or

render services in whole or in part within the City. Beginning January 1, 2026, the amount of the tax shall be \$33.00 per month for each commission merchant and full-time employee to whom commission or employment compensation is paid or to whom such commission or compensation has accrued. Beginning January 2027, and each year in January thereafter, this tax amount shall automatically be increased in proportion to any increase in the CPI adjustment, as defined in Section 1-4-090, up to 5 percent in any one year. After the calculation of tax adjustment, the amount shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar. The Comptroller shall publish such fees on a publicly accessible website. The incidence of this tax shall be upon the employer alone as an employer's expense tax and shall not be transferred directly or indirectly to the commission merchant or full-time employee under any circumstances.

B. Such tax shall be levied only upon the number of those commission merchants or employees whose work or service is performed within the City, or if partly within and partly without the City, the numbers of those individuals who perform 50 percent or more of their work or service per calendar quarter within the City.

C. If it is impractical to apportion such work or service aforesaid either because of the peculiar nature thereof or on account of unusual bases of compensation, or for any other similar reason, then the numbers of such individuals attributable to work performed or services rendered in the City shall be determined in accordance with rules adopted by the Comptroller for this purpose, and in furtherance of the purposes of this ordinance. If the Comptroller determines that the percentage of work attributable to the City for any one or more employers is a relatively stable percentage, then the Comptroller is hereby authorized to establish that percentage as a prima facie percentage of work attributable to the City; provided, however, that the Comptroller shall condition the establishment of such fixed percentage upon the obligation of the employer to report immediately to the Comptroller any significant change in his mode of business which might or will have some effect upon the portion of work performed or service attributable to the City.

D. The tax is due for each calendar quarter the employer has 500 or more full-time employees or commission merchants, or combination thereof, at any time during such quarter except that for any month within such quarter the employer's number of full-time employees or commission merchants, or combination thereof, falls below 500 then no tax shall be due for that month.

### **3-20-040 Residence of taxpayer.**

This tax shall apply only to employers doing business within the City. An employer does business within the City, for the purposes of this chapter, if he engages, hires, employs or contracts with one or more individuals, as commission merchants or full-time employees, to perform work or render services in whole or in part within the City and fulfills one or more of the following criteria: (a) such employer maintains a fixed place of business within the City, or (b) a commission merchant or employee of said employer maintains a fixed place of business within the City for the benefit or partial benefit of such employer, or (c) such employer or his commission merchant or employee owns or leases real property within the City for business purposes, or (d) such employer or his commission merchant or employee regularly maintains a stock of tangible personal property in the City for sale in the ordinary course of business, or (e) such employer employs or otherwise uses real or personal property within the City, or (f) such employer or his commission merchant or employee conducts continuous solicitation of business within the City.

### **3-20-050 Payments, returns and extensions of time.**

A. The taxes herein imposed shall become due and payable for the preceding calendar quarter on the fifteenth day of the month following said calendar quarter and shall be considered delinquent if not paid on or before such date. Each employer subject to the tax herein imposed shall execute and file an employers' expense tax return, on forms prepared for that purpose by the Department, concurrently with the payment of taxes imposed herein.

B. Each employer in the City, whether subject to the tax herein imposed or not, shall prepare and maintain at some accessible place within the City permanent, just and accurate books, papers and records setting forth the name and address of each commission merchant or employee performing work or rendering services in whole or in part for said employer in the City, designating that portion of the work for each such commission merchant or employee attributable to the City, plus the aggregate number of all such individuals whose work or service is attributable to the City, and such other and further pertinent information as the comptroller may require in furtherance of the purposes of this ordinance.

C. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, for all periods beginning on or after January 1, 2026, (1) all tax returns shall be filed with the Department on an annual basis on or before August 15 of each year in accordance with Sections 3-4-186 and 3-4-189 of this Code, (2) all tax payments shall be made in accordance with either Section 3-4-187 (payment of actual tax liabilities) or Section 3-4-188 (payment of estimated taxes), and (3) the provisions of Sections 3-4-186, 3-4-187, 3-4-188, and 3-4-189 shall control over any contrary provisions in this chapter regarding the subjects covered by those sections.

### **3-20-070 Duties of Department and Comptroller.**

It shall be the duty of the Department to collect and receive the tax imposed by this ordinance. The Department shall keep an accurate and separate account of all such tax payments received by it showing the name and address of the taxpayer and the date of each payment. The Comptroller is hereby empowered to adopt and promulgate, and to enforce, rules relating to any matter or thing pertaining to the administration and enforcement of the provisions of this ordinance, including provisions for reexamination, correction and amendment of all returns. The Comptroller, or any agent or employee designated in writing by him, is hereby authorized to examine the books, papers and records of any employer or alleged employer during regular business hours, in order to verify the accuracy of any return made, or if no return was made, to ascertain the tax imposed by this ordinance.

### **3-20-080 Registration.**

A. Every employer subject to the tax imposed by this chapter shall, within ten days after he commences business within the City, file in the office of the Department a certificate setting forth the name under which such business is, or is to be, conducted or transacted and the full name or names and address or addresses of the individual or individuals conducting or transacting the same, unless the party so certified is a corporation or trustee, in which event it shall set forth its said principal office or place of business and when and where incorporated or organized. Said certificate shall be executed and duly acknowledged by the person or persons so conducting or intending to conduct said business or by the president or secretary of the corporation, as the case may be.

B. In the event of a change in the identity of an employer, or termination of his operations, a similar certificate setting forth the facts with respect to such change or termination shall be filed in the office of the Department within ten days thereafter.

### **3-20-110 Community safety fund.**

The Budget Director and Comptroller shall create and implement a special revenue fund for community safety investments and community business grants (the "Community Safety Fund") and other accounting measures to track the collection and spending of all proceeds, including penalties, resulting from the imposition of the tax under this chapter.

### **3-20-130 Severability.**

If any provision, clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or part of this chapter, or application thereof to any person, or circumstance, shall, for any reason, be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this chapter and the application of such provision to other persons, firms, corporations, public agencies or circumstances, but shall be confined in its operation to the provision, clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and to the person, firm, corporation, public agency, or circumstances involved. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of the city council that this chapter would have been adopted had such unconstitutional or invalid provision, clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or part thereof not been included.

### **3-20-140 Application of uniform revenue procedures ordinance.**

Whenever not inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter or whenever this chapter is silent, the provisions of the uniform revenue procedures ordinance, Chapter 3-4 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, as amended, shall apply and supplement this chapter.

### **3-20-150 – Sunset.**

Upon the effective date of a state law that would increase the City's share from the Personal Property Replacement Tax fund or the Local Government Distributive Fund, or a combination of both, in an amount adequate to replace the City's annual revenue from the Employer Expense Tax, as determined by the Budget Director, this Chapter 3-20 shall be repealed in full by ordinance.

## **ARTICLE VIII. INTERNET AND MOBILE SPORTS WAGERING**

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 4-156 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through, and by adding the language underscored, as follows:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

## **ARTICLE VII. SPORTS WAGERING (4-156-960 et seq.)**

### **4-156-960 Definitions.**

"Licensee" means a holder of a primary sports license or secondary sports license.

"Management services provider licensee" means a person that has, or that is required to have, a management services provider license under the Sports Wagering Act, and that has contracted with a master sports wagering licensee to conduct sports wagering operations on its behalf.

"Master sports wagering licensee" means a person that has, or that is required to have, a master sports wagering license under the Sports Wagering Act, 230 ILCS 45/25-1, *et seq.*

"Primary sports license" means the City license that a master sports wagering licensee is required to hold.

"Secondary sports license" means the City license that a management services provider licensee is required to hold.

"Sports facility" means each of the following entertainment and spectator sport large venues as named currently or as may be re-named in the future: Wrigley Field, Guaranteed Rate Field, Soldier Field, United Center and Wintrust Arena, so long as each such venue also qualifies as a "sports facility" as defined under the Sports Wagering Act.

"Sports Wagering Act" means the Sports Wagering Act, 230 ILCS 45/25-1, *et seq.*

"Sports Wagering Rules" means the Sports Wagering Rules codified as Part 1900 of Title 11 of the Illinois Administrative Code, as amended.

The terms "adjusted gross sports wagering receipts", "designee", "internet wagering", "internet wagering system", "organization licensee", "owners licensee", "sports wagering", "sports wagering system", and "wager" have the same meanings assigned to such terms in the Sports Wagering Act and the Sports Wagering Rules.

#### **4-156-962 License required.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to conduct sports wagering at a physical location in the City of Chicago, including related mobile sports wagering permitted under the Sports Wagering Act as a result of such person being physically located in the City of Chicago, unless such person: (1) is an owners licensee, organization licensee, sports facility or its designee, an online sports wagering operator, or a management services provider of such person, and (2) holds all necessary licenses under the Sports Wagering Act, and (3) holds valid City licenses including a primary sports license and, if applicable, necessary secondary sports licenses.

#### **4-156-965 Legal duties.**

- (a) Each licensee engaged in the business of sports wagering shall:
  - (1) comply with the Sports Wagering Act, 230 ILCS 45/25-1, *et seq.*
  - (2) pay the ~~licensee~~ license fee as set forth in Section 4-5-010 of this Code.
  - (3) pay all taxes required to be paid by such licensee under Chapter 4-156 of this Code.
  - (4) upon request of the Commissioner of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection, make available for examination all books and records relating to sports wagering operations necessary or appropriate to ensure compliance with this Chapter.

#### **4-156-968 Location restrictions; internet or mobile wagering.**

(a) Each owners licensee that is a master sports wagering licensee shall limit in-person sports wagering operations (whether conducted by such master sports wagering licensee or by a management services provider licensee) to locations inside its casino facility. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an owner licensee issued a master sporting wagering license may conduct sports wagering over the internet or through a mobile application.

(b) Each organization licensee that is a master sports wagering licensee may have in-person sports wagering operations (whether conducted by such master sports wagering licensee or by a management services provider licensee) inside one (1) inter-track wagering location located within the City only if: (i) the inter-track wagering location licensee from which it derives its license is an organization licensee that is issued a master sports wagering license; and (ii) the

organization licensee that is a master sports wagering licensee does not have in-person sports wagering operations (whether conducted by such master sports wagering licensee or by a management services provider licensee) inside its race track facility. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an organization licensee issued a master sporting wagering license may conduct sports wagering over the internet or through a mobile application.

(c) Each sports facility or its designee that is a master sports wagering licensee shall limit in-person sports wagering operations (whether conducted by such master sports wagering licensee or by a management services provider licensee) to a single location either (i) inside the sports facility, or (ii) in a permanent building or structure located within a 5-block radius of the sports facility. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a sports facility licensee or its designee issued a master sporting wagering license may conduct sports wagering over the internet or through a mobile application.

(d) Each online sports wagering operator that is a master sports wagering licensee may conduct sports wagering over the internet or through a mobile application.

#### **4-156-970 Prohibited acts.**

(a) It shall be unlawful for a licensee engaged in sports wagering, other than sports wagering over the internet or through a mobile application as authorized in this article and the Sports Wagering Act, to:

- (1) operate sports wagering in a temporary structure.
- (2) relocate its sports wagering operation without prior written approval from the Commissioner of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection.
- (3) install more than 15 kiosks or wagering windows, in the aggregate, within the location where in-person wagers may be placed if the facility does not offer food and drink for purchase.
- (4) permit sports wagering between 12:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on Mondays through Thursdays, or between 12:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on Fridays, or between 1:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.
- (5) permit any person under the age of 21 to place a sports wager.

#### **4-156-973 Tax imposed.**

(a) There is hereby imposed a tax on each primary sports licensee operating in the City. The rate of the tax shall be ~~2%~~ 10.25% of the adjusted gross sports wagering receipts from sports wagers that are placed within the City:

- (1) at, or within a 5-block radius of, any of the following: a casino facility, race track facility, or sports facility where sports wagering is allowed under Section 4-156-968; or
- (2) over the internet or through a mobile application as allowed under Section 4-156-968 and verified as having been placed within the City utilizing the internet wagering system requirements provided in Section 1900.1430 of the Sports Wagering Rules and the sports wagering system requirements provided in Section 1900.1450 of the Sports Wagering Rules.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

## **ARTICLE IX. SOCIAL MEDIA AMUSEMENT TAX**



**SECTION 1.** Chapter 4-156 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by adding the language underscored, as follows:

**CHAPTER 4-156. Amusements.**

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**Article VIII. Social Media Amusement Tax.**

**4-156-1000 Social Media Amusement Tax; purpose.**

This article shall be known as the “Social Media Amusement Tax.” The purpose of the tax is revenue generation for the City of Chicago by taxing the activity of social media amusement based on a social media business’s monetization of consumer engagement and consumer data collected about Chicago users in conjunction with their social media use.

**4-156-1010 Definitions.**

For purposes of this Article VIII, the following words shall have the following meanings:

“Amusement” means engagement with media content delivered through the use of social media for the substantial purpose of entertainment and enjoyment.

“Chicago consumer” means a Chicago resident who uses social media in the City accessed through an account registered with a social media business and whose consumer data is collected by the social media business, regardless of whether the individual is charged for establishing the account or accessing the media.

“Chicago resident” means an individual who is in the City for other than a temporary or transitory purpose during the calendar year or who is domiciled in the City.

“Comptroller” means the Comptroller of the City.

“Consumer contact information” means a consumer’s email address, telephone number, home address, mailing address, or any credit card information necessary to engage in a sales transaction.

“Consumer data” means any information that identifies, relates to, describes, is capable of being associated with, or could reasonably be linked with a consumer, whether directly submitted to the social media business by the consumer or derived from other sources.

“News-gathering organization” means a producer of current news and public interest information that is delivered on an online or mobile platform.

“Social media” means websites, applications, products, and internet platforms that allows consumers to view, share, and otherwise engage with images, videos, and audio presented in types and formats including, but not limited to, performances, promotions, memes, augmented reality, artificial intelligence, and live streams. “Social media” does not include any bona fide news website, application, or platform.

“Social media business” means a for-profit entity that: (a) provides individuals with access to social media and (b) collects, maintains, uses, processes, sells, or shares consumer data, other than consumer contact information, in support of the entity’s business activities.

**4-156-1020 Tax imposed; rate of tax; application of tax.**

(a) Tax imposed. A tax is imposed on the activity of social media amusement by taxing the means by which such media content engagement is most commonly monetized, through the collection and use of consumer data by a social media business in support of the entity’s commercial purposes.



(b) The tax is imposed on social media businesses that collect consumer data on more than 100,000 Chicago consumers in a calendar year, based on the number of Chicago consumers from whom a social media platform business collects consumer data within a calendar month. The rate of the tax is \$0.50 per the number of Chicago consumers per calendar month in excess of 100,000.

(c) Application.

(1) There shall be a rebuttable presumption that a consumer whose information on record with or available to a social media business indicates a Chicago home address, a Chicago mailing address, or an internet protocol address or other consumer data on primary usage location connected with a Chicago location is a Chicago consumer for purposes of this article. The burden of proving that a consumer is not a Chicago consumer is on the social media business. For administrative ease, a social media business may create reasonable categorization standards to use in analyzing consumer data to determine if a consumer is a Chicago consumer; however, its reliance on such standards does not alleviate the social media business's burden of proof.

(2) A Chicago consumer shall be counted only once in the calculation of the monthly tax imposed on a social media business. Each calendar month shall be treated as a separate reporting period.

(3) Business entities that are part of a controlled group of corporations as defined in Section 1563(a) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be treated as a single entity for purposes of meeting the definition of a social media business under this article.

#### **4-156-1030 Returns; payment of tax; recordkeeping.**

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, (1) all tax returns shall be filed with the Department of Finance on an annual basis on or before August 15 of each year in accordance with Sections 3-4-186 and 3-4-189 of this Code, (2) all tax remittances shall be made in accordance with either Section 3-4-187 (payment of actual tax liabilities) or Section 3-4-188 (payment of estimated taxes), and (3) the provisions of Sections 3-4-186, 3-4-187, 3-4-188 and 3-4-189 shall control over any contrary provisions in this chapter regarding the subjects covered by those sections.

(b) A social media business shall maintain books and records as required by Section 3-4-170 of this Code.

#### **4-156-1040 Rules of Interpretation.**

(a) The definition of "social media business" in this article shall not be construed to include:

(1) an Internet search provider;

(2) an Internet service provider;

(3) an email service;

(4) a streaming service, online video game, or website where the content is not user generated but includes interactive functions that enable chat, comments, reviews, or other interactive functionality that is incidental to, not directly related to or dependent upon providing the content;

(5) a communication service, including text, audio, or video communication technology, provided by a business to the business's employees and clients for use in the course of business activities and not for public distribution, except that a social media

business's media access includes a communication service provided to consumers by a social media business;

(6) an advertising network with the sole function of delivering commercial content;

(7) a telecommunications carrier, as defined in United States Code, title 47, section 153;

(8) a broadband service, as defined in 220 ILCS 5/21-201(c);

(9) single-purpose community groups for education or public safety;

(10) teleconferencing or video-conferencing services that allow reception and transmission of audio and video signals for real-time communication, except that a social media business's media access includes teleconferencing or video-conferencing services provided to consumers by a social media business;

(11) cloud computing services or other nonpossessory computer leasing services, which may include cloud storage and shared document collaboration; or

(12) providing or obtaining technical support for a platform, product, or service.

(b) For interpretation of the definition of the term "Chicago consumer" in this article and for provision of evidence to the City in support of refuting the rebuttable presumption described in Section 4-156-1020(c)(1), a social media business may use consumer data or other information already collected or used in the entity's standard practices of consumer data collection and analysis in support of its business purposes. The presentation of such consumer data and information shall be consistent with the entity's representations to third parties considering the purchase or lease of advertising, consumer data, or other services or goods from the entity.

(c) This article shall not be interpreted to require any additional consumer data to be collected, analyzed, or retained by a social media business beyond its standard practices in support of its business purposes.

(d) This article shall not be construed to apply to or affect the rights of any news-gathering organization.

(e) This article shall have no retroactive application. However, the ongoing retention of previously collected or acquired consumer data beyond the effective date of this article shall be treated as substantially identical to consumer data collected or acquired after the effective date.

#### **4-156-1050 Protecting Care Fund.**

The Budget Director and the Comptroller shall create and implement a special revenue fund for supports to the City's mental and behavioral health operations and investments (the "Protecting Care Fund") and other accounting measures to track the collection and spending of all proceeds, including penalties, resulting from the imposition of the tax under this chapter.

#### **4-156-1060 Rulemaking.**

The Comptroller, in consultation with the Chief Information Officer, is authorized to promulgate rules necessary or appropriate to implement this article.

**4-156-1070 Violation; penalty.**

Any person who violates this article shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$2,500 nor more than \$10,000.00 for each offense. Each day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense to which a separate fine shall apply.

**ARTICLE X.  
TRADE LICENSE FEE ALIGNMENT**

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 4-4 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting a new Section 4-4-006, as follows:

**4-4-006 Exemption.**

This Chapter 4-4 shall not apply to licenses created under Chapters 4-28, 4-36, 4-266, 4-288, 4-290, 4-292, 4-298, 4-332, 4-336, 4-344, and 4-376.

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 4-5 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by amending by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**CHAPTER 4-5  
LICENSE FEES FOR TITLE 4 LICENSES**

**Article I. Business License Fees**

**4-5-010 Establishment of business license fees.**

This ~~chapter~~ Article I shall establish fees for various licenses created by this title unless otherwise provided. The following fees shall apply for the specified licenses. The chapter in which each fee requirement is created is also provided. Unless otherwise stated, fees shall be assessed every two years. For every license application which includes fingerprinting of the applicant as part of the application process, a fingerprint fee sufficient to cover the cost of processing fingerprints will be assessed in addition to the below fees. The fingerprint fee will be assessed regardless of whether the license applied for is issued or denied. The amount of the fee will be set forth by regulation promulgated by the Commissioner of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

(5) ~~Drain layers (4-28) — \$125.00~~ [Reserved]

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

**SECTION 3.** Chapter 4-5 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby further amended by inserting a new Article II, as follows:

**Article II. Trade License Fees**

**4-5-100 Establishment of trade license fees.**

This Article II shall establish and govern the fees for licenses created by this title that are subject to the jurisdiction of the Building Commissioner. These licenses shall be referred to as "trade licenses."

In this article, "Commissioner" shall mean the Building Commissioner.

All fees shall be paid to the Department of Finance.

#### **4-5-110 Uniform fees.**

(a) *Reinstatement fee.* In addition to renewal fees, reinstatement of an expired license shall be subject to a reinstatement fee of \$100.00 for each year or fraction of a year that the license has been expired, provided, however, that the reinstatement fee shall be \$50.00 for licenses created under Chapter 4-344.

(b) *Administrative processing fee.* Any modification or change to an existing license that requires review or administrative assistance from city staff, other than updating required insurance or bond information, shall be subject to an administrative processing fee of \$50.00. No fee shall apply to any modification or change made by the licensee using a self-service electronic system that does not require assistance from City staff.

(c) *Replacement document fee.* Replacement of a license document or verification of an existing license shall be subject to a replacement document fee of \$50.00, which shall cover the cost of preparing the replacement document and delivery via first class mail. No fee shall apply to a document or verification printed by the licensee from a self-service electronic system.

#### **4-5-120 Specific fees.**

The specific fees for trade licenses shall be as follows:

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| License Type and Classification (Chapter)                    | Examination Fees                              | Initial License Fee (Term)         | Renewal Fee (Term)                 |
|--|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Crane Operating</b>                                       |   |                                    |                                    |
| Crane Operator (Chapter 4-288)                               | Written: \$150.00<br>Practical: \$400.00      | \$550.00<br>(5 years)              | \$550.00<br>(5 years)              |
| Apprentice Crane Operator (Chapter 4-288)                    | -   | \$100.00<br>(1 year)               | \$100.00<br>(1 year)               |
| <b>Drainlaying</b>   |   |                                    |                                    |
| Drainlayer, all classifications (Chapter 4-28)               | \$150.00                                      | \$150.00<br>(see Section 4-28-120) | \$150.00<br>(see Section 4-28-120) |
| <b>Electrical Work</b>                                       |   |                                    |                                    |
| Electrical Contractor, all classifications (Chapter 4-290)   | -   | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               |
| Supervising Electrician, all classifications (Chapter 4-292) | \$150.00                                      | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               |
| <b>Elevator (Conveyance Device) Work</b>                     |   |                                    |                                    |
| Elevator Mechanic Contractor (Chapter 4-298)                 | -   | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               |
| Supervising Elevator Mechanic (Chapter 4-298)                | -   | \$300.00<br>(1 year)               | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               |
| <b>General Contracting</b>                                   |   |                                    |                                    |
| General Contractor, Class A (Chapter 4-36)                   | -   | \$3,500.00<br>(1 year)             | \$3,500.00<br>(1 year)             |
| General Contractor, Class B (Chapter 4-36)                   | -   | \$1,800.00<br>(1 year)             | \$1,800.00<br>(1 year)             |
| General Contractor, Class C (Chapter 4-36)                   | -   | \$1,300.00<br>(1 year)             | \$1,300.00<br>(1 year)             |
| General Contractor, Class D (Chapter 4-36)                   | -   | \$900.00<br>(1 year)               | \$900.00<br>(1 year)               |
| General Contractor, Class E (Chapter 4-36)                   | -   | \$300.00<br>(1 year)               | \$300.00<br>(1 year)               |
| <b>Mason Work</b>  |   |                                    |                                    |
| Mason Contractor (Chapter 4-376, Part II)                    | -   | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               |
| Supervising Mason (Chapter 4-376, Part III)                  | \$150.00                                      | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               |
| <b>Plumbing</b>  |   |                                    |                                    |
| Plumbing Contractor (Chapter 4-336)                          | -   | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               |
| Plumber (Chapter 4-332)                                      | \$175.00 / \$225.00<br>(Section 4-332-300(1)) | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               | \$150.00<br>(1 year)               |
| Apprentice Plumber (Chapter 4-332)                           | -   | \$100.00<br>(1 year)               | \$100.00<br>(1 year)               |
| <b>Stationary Engineer Work</b>                              |   |                                    |                                    |
| Stationary Engineer (Chapter 4-344)                          | \$150.00                                      | \$75.00<br>(2 year)                | \$75.00<br>(2 year)                |

#### **4-5-130 Payment of renewal fees.**

The Commissioner shall accept payment of the renewal fee for a license beginning 90 days before the expiration date of that license.

#### **4-5-140 Annual adjustment.**

(a) Beginning in 2026, on or before October 1 of each year, the Commissioner shall determine the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, US City Average ("CPI-U") from January 2025 to January of the present year and prepare a schedule of the monetary values set forth in Sections 4-5-110 and 4-5-120 increased in proportion to any positive change in the CPI-U.

(b) The Commissioner shall round values as follows: if the original amount is less than \$500.00 to the nearest increment of \$5.00, and if the original amount is at least \$500.00 to the nearest increment of \$50.00.

(c) Schedules prepared in accordance with this section and published on the city's public website shall take effect on January 1 of the succeeding year.

### **ARTICLE XI. AMENDMENTS TO GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING**

**SECTION 1.** Section 4-36-030 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

#### **4-36-030 License classifications.**

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

*Class B license:* The holder of a Class B license is not authorized to engage in concurrent or consecutive regulated activity at a single site with a value in excess of ~~\$10,000,000.00~~ \$20,000,000.00. The holder of a Class B license may engage in both ordinary demolition and complex demolition.

*Class C license:* The holder of a Class C license is not authorized to engage in concurrent or consecutive regulated activity at a single site with a value in excess of ~~\$5,000,000.00~~ \$10,000,000.00. The holder of a Class C license may engage in ordinary demolition but is not entitled to engage in complex demolition.

*Class D license:* The holder of a Class D license is not authorized to engage in concurrent or consecutive regulated activity at a single site with a value in excess of ~~\$2,000,000.00~~ \$4,000,000.00. The holder of a Class D license may engage in ordinary demolition but is not entitled to engage in complex demolition.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

**SECTION 2.** Section 4-36-070 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-36-070 License – Fee – Termination Expiration.**

Licenses issued under this chapter shall be subject to the fees set forth in Article II of Chapter 4-5 of this Code. ~~The license fee set forth in this section shall be payable annually.~~ A general contractor license shall expire one year after issuance ~~as indicated on the face of the license certificate.~~ Expired licenses may only be reinstated within three years of expiration.

Class A license ..... \$2,000.00  
Class B license ..... \$1,000.00  
Class C license ..... \$750.00  
Class D license ..... \$500.00  
Class E license ..... \$300.00

**SECTION 3.** Section 4-36-090 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-36-090 Proof of insurance – Required.**

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

(A) If the applicant is applying for a Class A license: limits of not less than \$5,000,000.00 per occurrence ~~(primary or umbrella)~~ for bodily injury, personal injury, property damage and completed operations arising in any way from the issuance of the license or activities conducted pursuant to the license;

(B) If the applicant is applying for a Class B license: limits of not less than \$3,000,000.00 per occurrence ~~(primary or umbrella)~~ for bodily injury, personal injury, property damage and completed operations arising in any way from the issuance of the license or activities conducted pursuant to the license;

(C) If the applicant is applying for a Class C license: limits of not less than ~~\$1,000,000.00~~ \$2,000,000.00 per occurrence, ~~\$2,000,000.00 in the aggregate,~~ for bodily injury, personal injury, property damage and completed operations arising in any way from the issuance of the license or activities conducted pursuant to the license;

(D) If the applicant is applying for a Class D license: limits of not less than ~~\$1,000,000.00~~ \$2,000,000.00 per occurrence, ~~\$2,000,000.00 in the aggregate,~~ for bodily injury, personal injury, property damage and completed operations arising in any way from the issuance of the license or activities conducted pursuant to the license;

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

(F) A combination of primary and excess or umbrella policies may be used to satisfy the minimum coverage requirements in this section exceeding \$1,000,000.00.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*



**SECTION 4.** Section 4-36-190 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-36-190 Violation – Penalty.**

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, any person violating any of the requirements of this chapter shall be fined, as follows:

(A) If the person holds or requires a Class A license under this chapter: not less than ~~\$1,000.00~~ \$2,000.00, nor more than ~~\$5,000.00~~ \$10,000.00, for each offense;

(B) If the person holds or requires a Class B license under this chapter: not less than ~~\$750.00~~ \$1,500.00, nor more than ~~\$3,500.00~~ 7,000.00, for each offense;

(C) If the person holds or requires a Class C license under this chapter: not less than ~~\$500.00~~ \$1,000.00, nor more than ~~\$2,500.00~~ \$5,000.00, for each offense;

(D) If the person holds or requires a Class D license under this chapter: not less than ~~\$400.00~~ \$800.00, nor more than ~~\$2,000.00~~ \$4,000.00, for each offense;

(E) If the person holds or requires a Class E license under this chapter: not less than ~~\$250.00~~ \$500.00, nor more than ~~\$1,000.00~~ \$2,000.00, for each offense.

Each day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense. The Building Commissioner may require payment of any fine imposed under this section as a precondition to issuance or renewal of a license issued under this chapter.

**ARTICLE XII.  
AMENDMENTS TO CRANE OPERATOR LICENSING**

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 4-288 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting a new Section 4-288-041, as follows:

**4-288-041 Examination sequence.**

An applicant shall not be allowed to take a practical examination before passing the associated written examination. An applicant shall be required to pass at least one practical examination, unless waived in accordance with Section 4-288-050, within one year of passing the written examination.

**SECTION 2.** Section 4-288-090 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-288-090 License – Term – Renewals – Reinstatement fee.**

The crane operator's license shall be valid for five years from the date of issuance. The license may be renewed: (1) upon payment of the renewal fee ~~prior and within three months of expiration of a valid operator's license~~ as provided in Article II of Chapter 4-5 of this Code; and (2) upon proof that the licensee has a current and valid national certification issued by an approved accredited certifying entity identifying the type(s) of crane that the licensee is licensed to operate under this chapter; provided, however, that this item (2) shall not apply if no national

certification exists for the specific machines the licensee is licensed to operate under this chapter. Expired licenses may only be reinstated within three years of expiration ~~upon payment of a \$100.00 reinstatement fee in addition to the renewal fee for each year in which the license was expired.~~

**SECTION 3.** Section 4-288-100 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-288-100 Examination and license fees.**

(a) *Examination fees – General.* The fee for any crane operator’s examination administered by the ~~department~~ Department or through an entity authorized by the ~~department~~ Department shall be ~~\$150.00 for any required written examination and \$250.00 for any required practical examination~~ as provided in Article II of Chapter 4-5 of this Code. Applicants seeking to be examined for more than one license classification shall pay such fee for each additional required written or practical examination.

(b) *License fee.* The fee for a crane operator’s license shall be ~~\$300.00~~ as provided in Section 4-5-120 of this Code for a license in effect for five years.

(c) *Upgrading license classifications.* In addition to any examination fee required under subsection (a) of this section, an administrative processing fee ~~of \$50.00~~ as provided in Section 4-5-110 of this Code shall be assessed if the licensee seeks to obtain an amended license identifying additional type(s) of cranes the licensee is competent to operate.

**SECTION 4.** Section 4-288-110 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-288-110 Apprentice crane operators – Permit License required.**

An apprentice crane operator’s ~~permit~~ license may be issued to an individual by the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner authorizing the apprentice to work as an apprentice crane operator under the direct supervision and responsible control of a crane operator properly licensed under this chapter. Applicants for such apprentice ~~permit~~ license shall submit to the ~~department~~ Department a notarized statement from an employer of licensed crane operators under whom the apprentice will be working, or from an officer of a training program approved by the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner. Such statements shall contain a certification that the applicant will receive training under the direct supervision and responsible control of a licensed crane operator. The fee for an apprentice ~~permit~~ license shall be ~~\$50.00~~ as provided in Section 4-5-120 of this Code. The apprentice ~~permit~~ license shall be valid for one year and may be renewed ~~at a cost of \$50.00.~~ Expired licenses may only be reinstated within three years of expiration.

**SECTION 5.** Section 4-288-120 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-288-120 Carrying license, ~~certificate or permit~~ while operating crane – Required.**

At all times while operating a crane, the licensee ~~or apprentice~~ shall carry his or her license, ~~certificate of registration or apprentice permit, as applicable,~~ on his or her person. Failure to produce a crane operator's license, ~~certificate of registration or apprentice permit~~ license upon request of the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner while operating a crane shall be punishable by a ~~fine of \$200.00~~ penalty as provided in Section 4-288-140(a).

**SECTION 6.** Section 4-288-140 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-288-140 Violation – Penalty.**

(a) Any person who operates a crane without meeting the requirements of this chapter or any rule ~~or regulation~~ promulgated thereunder shall be subject to a fine of not less than ~~\$1,000.00~~ \$2,000.00 nor more than ~~\$10,000.00~~ \$20,000.00 for each violation. Each day of illegal operation shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

(b) Any person who employs an unlicensed person as a crane operator or who permits or directs an unlicensed person to operate a crane shall be subject to a fine of not less than ~~\$2,000.00~~ \$5,000.00 nor more than ~~\$30,000.00~~ \$50,000.00 for each violation. Each day of illegal operation shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

**ARTICLE XIII.  
AMENDMENTS TO ELECTRICAL LICENSING**

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 4-290 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**CHAPTER 4-290  
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS**

**4-290-010 Registration License required.**

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to install, alter or maintain equipment for the utilization of electricity for light, heat, power, signaling or communication, or any other equipment or apparatus regulated under Title 14E of this Code, unless such person either: (1) holds a valid electrical contractor ~~certificate of registration~~ license under Section 4-290-030 authorizing the scope of work to be performed; or (2) is employed by a person holding a valid electrical contractor ~~certificate of registration~~ license under Section 4-290-030 authorizing the scope of work to be performed. Provided, however, that:

(i) An electrical contractor ~~certificate of registration~~ license under Section 4-290-030 shall not be required to install, alter, or maintain any such equipment or apparatus for or by a public utility under the jurisdiction of the Illinois Commerce Commission for use in its operation as a public utility; and

(ii) A private alarm contractor shall not be required to obtain a ~~certificate of registration license~~ under Section 4-290-030 to install, alter or maintain an alarm system, if such private alarm contractor is properly licensed by the State of Illinois under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, Fingerprint Vendor, and Locksmith Act of 2004, and is acting within the scope of such license.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any general contractor, subcontractor or other person to: (1) employ, permit, direct or cause any person who requires, but has failed to obtain, a valid ~~certificate of registration license~~ under Section 4-290-030 to work as an electrical contractor on any project: or (2) allow any person who holds a valid ~~certificate of registration license~~ under Section 4-290-030 to perform or cause to be performed electrical contractor work on any project that exceeds the scope of work authorized under such ~~certificate license~~.

#### **4-290-020 Definitions.**

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

“Electrical contractor” means any person who installs, alters or maintains any equipment or apparatus within the meaning of Section 4-290-010 requiring a valid electrical contractor ~~certificate of registration license~~.

“Electrical contractor work” means the installation, alteration or maintenance of any equipment or apparatus within the meaning of Section 4-290-010 requiring a valid electrical contractor ~~certificate of registration license~~.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

“Supervising electrician” means any person holding a valid ~~certificate of registration license~~ as a supervising electrician under Chapter 4-292 of this Code.

#### **4-290-030 Application and issuance of ~~registration certificate~~ license.**

Any person seeking to engage in the business of electrical contractor shall apply to the Commissioner for a ~~certificate of registration license~~ authorizing such person to engage in the business of electrical contractor to the extent authorized under Section 4-290-035(b). The applicant for such ~~certificate license~~ shall: (1) indicate on the application form whether a Class 1 or Class 2 electrical contractor ~~registration license~~ is being sought, and if applicable, whether any subclassification of ~~registration license~~ is being sought; (2) state the name of the supervising electrician appointed or employed by the applicant; and (3) provide any other information that the Commissioner may reasonably require in connection with the application for such ~~registration license~~.

Upon receipt of a completed application in proper form, and payment of the ~~registration fee~~ set forth in Section 4-290-050, the Commissioner shall ~~register license~~ the applicant as an electrical contractor with the appropriate classification of ~~registration license~~ if the Commissioner determines that the applicant is in compliance with all applicable requirements of this Code. Upon ~~registration licensure~~, the Commissioner shall issue to the applicant a license certificate of ~~registration~~, which shall: (1) indicate on its face the appropriate classification of ~~registration license~~ that the Commissioner has approved; and (2) authorize the applicant, during the period for which the ~~registration license~~ is valid, to: (A) engage in the business of electrical contractor to the extent authorized under Section 4-290-035(b); and (B) secure permits under the electrical regulations of this Code. Provided, however, that no ~~certificate of registration license~~ shall be

issued to any applicant unless such applicant is in compliance with Chapter 4-292 of this Code. ~~The certificate of registration shall state the name of the supervising electrician appointed or employed by the applicant.~~ Such certificate license shall not be transferable.

Eligibility for issuance of any registration license under this chapter shall be a continuing requirement for maintaining such registration license.

#### **4-290-035 Classification.**

(a) ~~Classification of registration license.~~ All electrical contractor ~~registrations licenses~~ shall be classified as either a Class 1 or Class 2 registration license. The Commissioner may establish subclassifications within Class 2 by rule.

(b) *Scope of work authorized.*

(1) ~~Class 1 registration license.~~ An electrical contractor holding a Class 1 registration license is authorized to perform any work for which a registration license is required under this Chapter 4-290.

(2) ~~Class 2 registration license.~~ An electrical contractor holding a Class 2 registration license may perform any work for which a registration license is required under this Chapter 4-290, except:

(i) An electrical contractor holding a Class 2 registration license shall not perform work for which a registration license is required under this Chapter 4-290 in any building that exceeds 55 feet in height prior to initial legal occupancy of the portion of such building where work is performed; and

(ii) An electrical contractor holding a Class 2 registration license shall not perform work for which a registration license is required under this Chapter 4-290 in a building or portion of a building classified in ~~Section 13-56-080 as a Class C-1, large assembly unit~~ accordance with Title 14B as a Group A occupancy with an occupant load of 300 or more, prior to initial legal occupancy of such building or portion of such building where work is performed.

#### **4-290-036 Work requiring a Class 1 registration license – Additional requirements.**

(a) When performing work that requires a Class 1 registration license within the meaning of Section 4-290-035, the electrical contractor holding such registration license shall:

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

(b) Nothing in this section shall require an electrical contractor holding a Class 1 registration license to comply with the requirements set forth in subsection (a) of this section when such contractor is performing work which may be performed by an electrical contractor holding a Class 2 registration license.

#### **4-290-040 Expiration of certificate.**

A certificate of registration license under this chapter shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of its issuance. Expired licenses may only be reinstated within three years of expiration.

#### **4-290-050 Registration fee Fees.**

~~The fee to register as an electrical contractor shall be \$150.00. Such registration fee shall be paid by the applicant to the Department of Finance upon filing the application. A registration may be renewed upon payment of the required registration fee prior to or within three months of expiration of a valid registration.~~

Licenses issued under this chapter shall be subject to the fees provided for in Article II of Chapter 4-5 of this Code.

#### **4-290-055 Reporting changes.**

~~It is a condition of the registration that the~~ An electrical contractor shall notify the Commissioner of any change in company name, company address, or company ownership within 30 days, or change in supervising electrician within 5 days, by filing an amended registration application with the Commissioner. ~~A fee, as set forth in rules duly promulgated by the Commissioner, shall be assessed in connection with the submission of any amended registration application. Provided, however, that any change of supervising electrician shall comply with Section 4-292-040 and shall be accompanied by a fee of \$100.00.~~

#### **4-290-060 Suspension or revocation.**

~~The Commissioner of Buildings~~ may suspend or revoke the license, registration or certification of any person licensed, registered or certified under this chapter as provided in Section 14A-3-305 of this Code.

#### **4-290-070 Building permit privileges – Suspension.**

~~The Commissioner of Buildings~~ may suspend the ability of any person licensed, registered or certified or required to be licensed, registered or certified under this chapter to submit new applications or complete pending applications for a building permit or other permit issued by the Department of Buildings for cause as set forth in Section 14A-3-304 of this Code.

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 4-292 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

### **CHAPTER 4-292 SUPERVISING ELECTRICIANS**

#### **4-292-010 Appointment.**

Before any ~~certificate of registration~~ license under Chapter 4-290 shall be issued to any electrical contractor, such electrical contractor shall appoint or employ a person who holds a valid ~~certificate of registration as a supervising electrician~~ license under this chapter.

#### **4-292-015 Definitions.**

As used in this chapter:

“Commissioner” means the ~~commissioner of buildings~~ Commissioner of Buildings.

#### **4-292-020 Qualifications.**

(a) An applicant for a ~~certificate of registration~~ license as a supervising electrician shall be at least 21 years of age, and shall have at least two years' experience installing, altering, repairing and maintaining electrical wires, equipment, and apparatus, or equivalent experience, under the direct supervision of a supervising electrician or equivalent person. An applicant shall: (1) furnish the name(s) and address(es) of the applicant's current and former employer(s); (2) identify the period(s) of time during which the applicant was employed by each such employer; (3) describe in what capacity the applicant was so employed; and (4) provide any other information reasonably required by the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner to assess the applicant's qualifications to act as a supervising electrician. Such information shall be submitted using forms made available by the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner in accordance with Section 4-292-030.

(b) The ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner shall prepare as many different examinations as are necessary to adequately provide for the number of applicants in different specialties. Each applicant shall be required to pass an examination sufficiently strict to indicate that the applicant has satisfactory knowledge and technical training to perform or supervise the work of installing, altering, repairing, or maintaining electrical wires and apparatus authorized by permits issued by the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner. It shall be the ~~commissioner's~~ Commissioner's responsibility to control and supervise such examinations.

(c) Each applicant shall be required to pay an examination fee of ~~\$150.00~~ as provided in Section 4-5-120 of this Code for each examination that the applicant takes. Such fee shall be paid by the applicant to the department of finance prior to the day the examination is taken.

~~(d) In cases where an applicant fails to pass an examination, the applicant shall be required to wait a period of six months before applying to retake the applicable examination.~~

#### **4-292-030 Application.**

An applicant for a ~~certificate of registration~~ license as a supervising electrician shall file a written application with the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner on a form furnished by the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner. It is a condition of the registration license that all information in the registration license application be kept current.

#### **4-292-040 Certification and registration License.**

(a) Upon receipt of a completed application in proper form and the examination fee provided for in Section 4-292-020(c), the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner shall allow the applicant to take an examination provided for in Section 4-292-020(b).

~~(b) If the applicant obtains a passing score on the examination, and pays the registration license fee provided for in Section 4-292-040(e d), the commissioner shall register the applicant as a supervising electrician if the commissioner and the Commissioner determines that the applicant is in compliance with Section 4-292-020 and all other applicable requirements of this Code, the Commissioner shall license the applicant as a supervising electrician.~~

~~(b c)~~ No supervising electrician shall be certified listed with more than one ~~registered~~ licensed electrical contractor or ~~listed on more than one registration certificate issued~~ licensed under Chapter 4-290.



~~(c d)~~ The license fee for registration as a supervising electrician shall be \$150.00 as provided in Section 4-5-120 of this Code. The ~~certificate of registration~~ license shall be valid for one year from the date of its issuance and may be renewed ~~upon payment of the required license fee prior to or within three months of expiration of a valid license.~~

(e) Expired licenses may only be reinstated within three years of expiration.

~~(d f)~~ Eligibility for issuance of ~~any registration~~ a license under this chapter shall be a continuing requirement for maintaining such ~~registration~~ license.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

#### **4-292-060 Notice of discharge or resignation.**

Whenever a supervising electrician leaves or is discharged from the appointment or employ of any electrical contractor who is required under Section 4-290-010 to appoint or employ a supervising electrician, a written statement giving notice of such fact shall be provided to the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner by both the electrical contractor and the supervising electrician within five days of such occurrence. Upon such occurrence, the permit privileges of such electrical contractor shall without further order or action by the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner stand suspended until such time that the electrical contractor employs or appoints a supervising electrician in accordance with Section 4-292-010.

A supervising electrician may transfer a ~~valid registration~~ to another electrical contractor with the permission of the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner, which permission shall not be unreasonably withheld. ~~No supervising electrician shall be allowed to transfer a valid registration more than twice during any 12-month period unless a 90-day waiting period has elapsed from the time of notice. The fee for all such transfers shall be \$100.00.~~

#### **4-292-070 Re-examination.**

(a) If a person seeking to renew ~~registration~~ as a supervising electrician license under this chapter has not been ~~registered~~ licensed as a supervising electrician in the City under this chapter for a continuous period of three years, such person shall be reexamined in accordance with Section 4-292-020 before such person shall again be ~~registered~~ licensed as a supervising electrician.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

(c) Any person ~~registered~~ licensed as a supervising electrician and employed by the City of Chicago as an electrician or inspector shall not be required to pay the renewal fee provided in Section 4-292-040(c) during their period of employment if the terms of their employment prohibit them from performing or supervising electrical work within the City of Chicago; provided, however, that if, following separation from City employment, the former employee does not pay the renewal fee provided in Section 4-292-040(c) within 60 days after that separation, the former employee shall be required to be reexamined for such license in accordance with Section 4-292-020 before such person shall again be ~~registered~~ licensed as a supervising electrician.

#### **4-292-080 Suspension or revocation.**

The Commissioner of Buildings may suspend or revoke the license, registration or certification of any person licensed, registered or certified under this chapter as provided in Section 14A-3-305 of this Code.

#### **4-292-090 Building permit privileges – Suspension.**

The Commissioner of Buildings may suspend the ability of any person licensed, registered or certified or required to be licensed, registered or certified under this chapter to submit new applications or complete pending applications for a building permit or other permit issued by the Department of Buildings for cause as set forth in Section 14A-3-304 of this Code.

### **ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENTS TO ELEVATOR LICENSING**

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 4-298 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

#### **4-298-010 ~~Elevator mechanic contractor defined~~ Definitions.**

As used in this chapter:

“Commissioner” means the Commissioner of Buildings.

“Elevator mechanic contractor” means any person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of constructing, installing, altering or maintaining the mechanical components of any elevator, escalator, moving walk, dumbwaiter, platform lift, manlift, mechanical equipment used for the raising or lowering of any curtain, stage or orchestra floor, or any other conveyance device specifically covered and described within Title 14C ~~other than a~~ with the following exceptions:

1. A mechanical amusement riding device, or
2. A conveyance device within or exclusively serving no more than three levels of a single, privately-owned dwelling unit.
3. Conveyors and related equipment permanently installed in a space classified as a Group F or Group S occupancy in accordance with Chapter 14B-3 of this Code, excluding any conveyor designed, installed, or used for the movement of people.

#### **4-298-020 ~~Registration~~ License required.**

Any person, firm or corporation engaged in or desiring to engage in the business of elevator mechanic contractor, either as contractor or subcontractor shall ~~register as~~ obtain an elevator mechanic contractor license in the manner hereinafter set forth.

#### **4-298-030 Application.**

Any person, firm or corporation engaged in or desiring to engage in the business of elevator mechanic contractor shall apply ~~for registration to the commissioner of the department of buildings~~ Commissioner for a license. Upon the filing of such application in proper form and the payment of the ~~registration~~ license fee as provided for in Section 4-298-050, the ~~building commissioner~~ Commissioner shall ~~register~~ license the applicant as an elevator mechanic contractor.

#### **4-298-040 Issuance of certificate.**

Upon fulfilling the requirements for ~~registration licensure~~, the ~~building commissioner~~ Commissioner shall issue a ~~certificate of registration~~ license, which authorizes the applicant to engage in such business during such period the ~~registration~~ license is valid. The ~~certificate~~ license shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance. Provided, however, that before any ~~certificate of registration~~ license shall be issued to such elevator mechanic contractor, the applicant shall have complied with Section 4-298-060 of this Code. A ~~certificate of registration~~ license shall not be transferable and shall contain the name of the licensed supervising elevator mechanic.

#### **4-298-050 Registration License fees.**

(a) The ~~license~~ fee for registration as an elevator mechanic contractor shall be as provided in Section 4-5-120 of this Code \$150.00 for each year the registration is valid, which sum shall be paid by the applicant to the Department of Finance in advance upon filing the application.

(b) The renewal and reinstatement fees for such ~~registration~~ license shall be \$150.00 as provided in Section 4-5-120 of this Code. Expired licenses may only be reinstated within three years of expiration.

(c) Any change in the information, including company name, ownership information, and/or change of supervising elevator mechanic, shall require an amended ~~registration~~ license. The fee for such amended registration shall be \$35.00.

#### **4-298-060 Supervising elevator mechanic – Appointment.**

Before any ~~certificate of registration~~ license shall be issued to any elevator mechanic contractor, ~~entitled to secure permits under the elevator regulations of this Code, he the~~ contractor shall appoint or employ a person who may be himself or some other person who, for the purpose of the elevator regulations of this Code, shall be known as a supervising elevator mechanic. The person so appointed or employed to act as a supervising elevator mechanic shall, prior to acting in this capacity, obtain a license in accordance with the following sections.

#### **4-298-070 Duties.**

The supervising elevator mechanic shall perform the work or supervise and direct the mechanical construction, installation, alteration or maintenance of elevators and related devices listed in Section 4-298-010 authorized by permits issued under the authority of this chapter. ~~All applications for permits shall be countersigned by said supervising elevator mechanic.~~ Applications for permits, which also include the installation, alteration or maintenance of related electrical wiring and equipment for power, control or communication, shall also be ~~countersigned by a supervising electrician~~ signed by an electrical contractor.

#### **4-298-080 Application – Qualifications.**

An applicant for a license as a supervising elevator mechanic shall file an application with the ~~building commissioner~~ Commissioner, in writing, on a form furnished by the ~~building department~~ Commissioner.

To ~~register~~ be licensed as a supervising elevator mechanic, the applicant must provide evidence in a form acceptable to the ~~building commissioner~~ Commissioner that:

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

C. that the applicant has not had a supervising elevator mechanic's or comparable license suspended or revoked by the City of Chicago or any other jurisdiction; provided, however, that upon good cause shown and after a full investigation, the ~~building commissioner~~ Commissioner may waive this prohibition; and

D. the applicant is certified as an elevator inspector in accordance with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers' ASME QE1-1 – 2013 (or subsequent edition recognized by the ~~building commissioner~~ Commissioner).

#### **4-298-100 License – Issuance.**

An applicant who satisfies all of the requirements imposed under this chapter shall be issued a license by the ~~building commissioner~~ Commissioner upon payment of the required fees. ~~The licensee's name shall be placed both on the license certificate and on the identification card issued to the registered elevator mechanic contractor.~~ No supervising elevator mechanic shall be ~~certified with~~ appointed or employed by more than one licensed elevator mechanic contractor in accordance with Section 4-298-060 ~~or listed on more than one registration certificate.~~

#### **4-298-110 Notice of discharge or resignation.**

Whenever a supervising elevator mechanic shall leave or be discharged from the appointment or employ of any elevator mechanic contractor, who is required by this chapter to appoint or employ a supervising elevator mechanic, a written statement giving notice thereof shall be provided within five days by both the employer and the supervising elevator mechanic to the ~~department of buildings, and~~ Commissioner. Upon such occurrence, the permit privileges of such elevator mechanic contractor shall, without further ~~order or~~ action by the ~~department of buildings~~ Commissioner, stand suspended until the employment or appointment by such elevator mechanic contractor of a supervising elevator mechanic as provided for in Section 4-298-060. A supervising elevator mechanic may transfer ~~a valid certification~~ to another elevator mechanic contractor upon notice to the ~~building commissioner~~ Commissioner.

#### **4-298-120 Suspension or revocation.**

The ~~Commissioner of Buildings~~ Commissioner may suspend or revoke the license, registration or certification of any person licensed, registered or certified under this chapter as provided in Section 14A-3-305 of this Code.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

#### **4-298-140 License fees.**

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

B. The fees for ~~an original~~ a supervising elevator mechanic's license shall be as provided in Article II of Chapter 4-5 of this Code. ~~\$300.00. The fee for renewal shall be \$150.00 for each year the license is in effect. The license may be renewed upon payment of the required fee prior to or within thirty days after the expiration of a valid license.~~

C. ~~Licenses which have been expired more than thirty days but less than two years may be reinstated upon payment of a \$50.00 per year reinstatement fee in addition to the required renewal fee.~~ Expired licenses may only be reinstated within three years of expiration.

D. Licenses which have been expired more than ~~two~~ three years ~~must reapply~~ require a new application under the provisions contained in Sections 4-298-060 through 4-298-100.

#### **4-298-145 Building permit privileges – Suspension.**

(a) Failure on the part of a ~~registered~~ licensed elevator mechanic contractor to correct any defect, error, or deficiency in any work installed under the authority of a permit issued to the ~~registered~~ licensed elevator mechanic contractor by the Department of Buildings within 10 calendar days after written notification thereof by the Commissioner ~~of Buildings~~ or within such further reasonable time, as may, upon request, be prescribed, the Commissioner ~~of Buildings~~ shall, without further notice, stop the issuance of permits to such ~~registered~~ licensed elevator mechanic contractor until such corrections have been made, inspected and approved.

(b) The Commissioner ~~of Buildings~~ is hereby empowered to suspend the permit privileges of any ~~registered~~ licensed elevator mechanic contractor who shall fail to pay any just indebtedness for inspection fees for work on elevators or related devices, until such ~~registered~~ licensed elevator mechanic contractor shall discharge and pay to the city all just indebtedness then due and owing from such contractor.

(c) The Commissioner ~~of Buildings~~ may suspend the ability of any person licensed, registered or certified or required to be licensed, registered or certified under this chapter to submit new applications or complete pending applications for a building permit or other permit issued by the Department of Buildings for cause as set forth in Section 14A-3-304 of this Code.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

### **ARTICLE XV. AMENDMENTS TO MASON LICENSING**

**SECTION 1.** Section 4-376-140 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

#### **4-376-140 Fees.**

The fees for a mason contractor license shall be as provided in Article II of Chapter 4-5 of this Code. ~~\$500.00 for the initial year of licensure and \$100.00 for each year the license is renewed. Each fee shall be paid before a license certificate is issued for that term.~~

~~In addition to the license fee, the fee for reinstatement of an expired license shall be \$50.00.~~ Expired licenses may only be reinstated within three years of expiration.

Any change in the licensee's information, including company name, ownership information, business address, or change of supervising mason, shall require an amended license.

~~The fee for each amended license or replacement license certificate issued by the Commissioner shall be \$50.00; provided, however, no fee shall be assessed for a licensee to reprint an existing license certificate from a self-service electronic system.~~

~~Fees shall be paid to the Department of Finance.~~

**SECTION 2.** Section 4-376-230 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-376-230 Fees.**

The fees for a supervising mason license shall be as provided in Article II of Chapter 4-5 of this Code. ~~each examination under Section 4-376-210 shall be \$95.00.~~

~~The initial fee for licensure in accordance with Section 4-376-220 shall be \$150.00. The annual renewal fee for licensure shall be \$150.00. Only one such fee shall be charged per individual per license term.~~

~~In addition to the license fee, the fee for reinstatement of an expired license shall be \$50.00.~~ Expired licenses may only be reinstated within three years of expiration.

~~The fee for each replacement license certificate issued by the Commissioner shall be \$50.00; provided, however, no fee shall be assessed for a licensee to reprint an existing license certificate from a self-service electronic system.~~

~~Fees shall be paid to the Department of Finance in advance.~~

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

**ARTICLE XVI.  
AMENDMENTS TO PLUMBING AND DRAIN LAYER LICENSING**

**SECTION 1.** Section 4-28-050 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-28-050 License fees.**

The license fees shall be as set forth in Section 4-5-040 provided in Article II of Chapter 4-5 of this code Code.

**SECTION 2.** Section 4-28-090 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-28-090 Instruction and examination – Required.**

An applicant for a drain layer's license must successfully ~~complete a course of instruction in drain laying and~~ pass a standardized drain layer's examination as approved by the Commissioner or employ an individual who has ~~completed such a course of instruction and~~ passed such an examination. Any ~~licensee whose license has lapsed for~~ individual who has not been licensed or employed by a licensee for more than 12 months must ~~also successfully complete a course of instruction in drain laying~~ retake and pass a standardized drain layer's examination as approved by the Commissioner ~~or employ an individual who has done so in the previous 12 months.~~ Beginning January 1, 2027, each applicant shall be required to pay an examination fee as provided in Section 4-5-120 of this Code.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*



**SECTION 3.** Section 4-28-120 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-28-120 License – Termination—Penalty for late renewal Term.**

(a) The drain layer's license shall expire on December 31st of each year prior to calendar year ~~2025~~ 2027. For licenses issued on or after February 1, ~~2025~~ 2027, licenses shall expire one year after issuance. ~~Any person who fails to renew his or her license within 60 days of the license's expiration date shall be assessed a \$75.00 late fee in addition to the license fee.~~

(b) For licenses issued with an effective date in January ~~2025~~ 2027 only, the Commissioner may, by rule, establish expiration dates between 12 and 23 months after the date of issuance, based on the first letter of the last name of the licensee, so as to distribute the expiration dates across the calendar year.

**SECTION 4.** Section 4-332-020 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-332-020 Definitions.**

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

"Retired plumber" means any licensed plumber in good standing who voluntarily surrenders the plumber's license to the entity which issued the license. Retired plumbers cannot perform plumbing as defined in this chapter, cannot sponsor or supervise apprentice plumbers, and cannot inspect plumbing under this Code. A retired plumber cannot fulfill the requirements of Section ~~4-332-020~~ 4-332-030.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

**SECTION 5.** Section 4-332-080 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-332-080 Commissioner.**

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

(2) Prepare and issue licenses as provided in this chapter and Chapter ~~2-336~~ 4-336.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

**SECTION 6.** Section 4-332-140 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-332-140 License renewal; continuing education.**

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

(b) Licenses may be renewed for a period of one year upon payment of the appropriate renewal fee. A license which has expired for failure to pay the appropriate license fee shall be reinstated by the Department, without examination, upon payment of a reinstatement fee and all lapsed renewal fees in addition to the appropriate license fees within ~~five~~ three years following the date of expiration.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

**SECTION 7.** Section 4-332-150 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-332-150 Restoration after military service.**

The Department shall reinstate a license that expires while a licensee is in the active military service of the United States upon application to the Department by the former licensee within two years after termination of such military service, payment of the annual license fee, and submission of evidence of such military service. Such license shall be reinstated without examination and without payment of the ~~lapsed renewal~~ unpaid renewal or reinstatement fees.

**SECTION 8.** Section 4-332-300 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-332-300 Fees.**

(1) The fee for the examination for a plumber's license shall be as provided in Section 4-5-120 of this Code. ~~\$175.00~~ The lower fee shall apply when the applicant is currently licensed as an apprentice plumber by the City of Chicago or the State of Illinois and ~~\$225.00~~ the higher fee shall apply for all other applicants. When an applicant is required to retake only a portion of the examination, the applicant shall be charged one-half the applicable fee as a retake fee.

(2) The fees for an initial plumber's licenses and each renewal shall be ~~\$150.00.~~ In addition to the renewal fee, the fee for reinstatement of an expired plumber's license as provided in Section 4-332-070 of this chapter shall be \$100.00 for each year or fraction of a year that the license has been expired as provided in Article II of Chapter 4-5 of this Code.

(3) The fees for an initial apprentice plumber's licenses and each renewal shall be ~~\$100.00.~~ In addition to the renewal fee, the fee for reinstatement of an expired apprentice license shall be \$100.00 for each year or fraction of a year that the license has been expired as provided in Article II of Chapter 4-5 of this Code.

(4) ~~The fee for a duplicate license document shall be \$50.00.~~

~~(5)~~ There shall be no fee for registration of an approved apprenticeship program acting as sponsor of apprentice plumbers.

**SECTION 9.** Section 4-336-040 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-336-040 License – Fee – Term.**

(a) The fees for a plumbing contractor license shall be ~~\$150.00 for the first year~~ as provided in Article II of Chapter 4-5 of this Code.

~~(b) A licensed plumbing contractor may renew its license upon the payment of a renewal fee of \$150.00. In addition to the renewal fee, the fee for reinstatement of a lapsed registration shall be \$100.00.~~

~~(c b)~~ An initial license or renewal license issued under this chapter shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance.

(c) Expired licenses may only be reinstated within three years of expiration.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

**ARTICLE XVII.  
AMENDMENTS TO STATIONARY ENGINEER LICENSING**

**SECTION 1.** Section 4-344-060 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-344-060 License – Fee.**

~~(a)~~ The fees ~~for the examination for a stationary engineer's licenses~~ shall be ~~\$70.00~~ as provided in Article II of Chapter 4-5 of this Code.

~~(b) The fee for a stationary engineer's license shall be \$15.00 for each year the license is valid. The fee for renewal of such license or a replacement certificate shall be \$15.00 for each year the license is valid. In addition to the renewal fee, the fee for reinstatement of a lapsed engineer's license shall be \$5.00 for each lapsed year in addition to the renewal fee for such year.~~

**SECTION 2.** Section 4-344-070 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-344-070 License – Term.**

The license for a stationary engineer shall be valid for a period of two years from the date of issuance. Expired licenses may only be reinstated within three years of expiration.

**ARTICLE XVIII.**  
**AMENDMENTS TO BUILDING PERMIT FEES**

**SECTION 1.** Section 14A-4-403.1 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**14A-4-403.1 Electrical maintenance.**

Instead of individual *permits* for each *alteration* or *repair* to an existing permitted electrical installation, the *building official* is authorized to issue a monthly electrical maintenance *permit* in advance for 30-day periods, to cover all electrical *alterations* and *repairs* during the 30-day period in a specific *building* or *structure*. All work done pursuant to a monthly electrical *permit* must be done under the direct supervision of the supervising electrician listed on the *permit*. A monthly electrical *permit* does not authorize electrical work that is performed by *persons* not under the direct supervision of the supervising electrician listed on the *permit*. The *building official* must collect a fee as provided in ~~Section 14A-12-1204.1~~ Table 14A-12-1204.2 for monthly electrical maintenance *permits*.

**SECTION 2.** Section 14A-4-403.2 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**14A-4-403.2 Plumbing maintenance.**

Instead of individual *permits* for each *repair* to an existing plumbing installation and each *repair* to fuel gas piping in a residential occupancy, the *building official* is authorized to issue a monthly plumbing maintenance *permit* in advance for 30-day periods, to cover all plumbing *repairs* and *repairs* to fuel gas piping in a residential occupancy during the 30-day period in a specific *building* or *structure*. All work done pursuant to a monthly plumbing *permit* must be done by duly licensed employees of the plumbing contractor listed on the *permit*. A monthly plumbing *permit* does not authorize work that is performed by *persons* not employed by the plumbing contractor listed on the *permit*. The *building official* must collect a fee as provided in ~~Section 14A-12-1204.1~~ Table 14A-12-1204.2 for monthly plumbing maintenance *permits*.

**SECTION 3.** Section 14A-4-407.1 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**14A-4-407.1 Scope.**

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

2. Demolition of an entire *building* or entire *structure* that would not require a *permit* to construct pursuant to Section 14A-4-402.
3. Demolition of an unconditioned enclosed porch accompanied by replacement with an open porch or exterior stairway.

**SECTION 4.** Section 14A-4-411.9 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**14A-4-411.9 Retention of construction documents.**

A copy of the *permitted construction documents* must be retained by the *building official* for a period of not less than 6 months from date of completion of the permitted work or expiration of the *permit*.

**SECTION 5.** Section 14A-4-412.2.2.3 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**14A-4-412.2.2.3 Penalty.**

Where the *building official* determines that a *permit* application is substantially incomplete or otherwise deficient, or is ineligible for the review program under which it has been submitted, the *building official* may assess a penalty in an amount equal to the deposit provided for in Section 14A-4-412.2.1. The *building official* may require payment of this penalty either before issuance of the *permit* or before further review of the *permit* application.

**SECTION 6.** Section 14A-4-413.1 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**14A-4-413.1 Scope of permit.**

A *permit* only authorizes the scope of work described in the *permit* application, including any associated *construction documents*. The issuance or granting of a *permit* does not authorize or allow work that would violate any provision of the *Chicago Construction Codes* or of the *Municipal Code*. A *permit* which attempts to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of the *Chicago Construction Codes* or of the *Municipal Code* is void from the outset to the extent it attempts to do so.

**SECTION 7.** Table 14A-12-1204.1 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**Table 14A-12-1204.1 General Fees – Chapter 4**

| Section  | Description  | Amount <sup>a</sup>  |
|--|--|--|
| 14A-4-403.1  | <del>Monthly electrical maintenance permit<br/>(per building, per 30 days)</del> | \$75   |
| 14A-4-403.2  | <del>Monthly plumbing maintenance permit<br/>(per building, per 30 days)</del>   | \$75   |
| <i>(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)</i> |  |  |
| 14A-4-412.1.2<br>14A-4-412.2.1                           | Permit fee deposit   | \$300 for a <u>temporary structure</u><br>\$600 for all other work |

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

**SECTION 8.** Table 14A-12-1204.2 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**Table 14A-12-1204.2 Stand-Alone Permit Fees**

| Category of Work                                  | Scope of Work   | Drawings required | Zoning fee required | Permit fee                               |
|---|---|-------------------|---------------------|--|
| Administrative issues                             | Change of owner or contractor, extension of time ( <u>as separate permit</u> ), permit reinstatement ( <u>as separate permit</u> ) <sup>g</sup> | No                | No                  | \$75 per permit number                   |
| (Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.) |   |                   |                     |  |
| Electrical  | Installation of permanent power generator, whether required or discretionary <sup>g</sup>   |                   |                     | \$750                                    |
|   | Installation of permanent power generator for residential building with 3 or fewer <i>dwelling units</i> (no mixed occupancy) <sup>g</sup>      |                   |                     | \$75                                     |
|   | (Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)   |                   |                     |  |
|   | Solar panel installation (less than 13.44 kW) with or without installation of energy storage system (up to 20 kWh)                              | No                | Yes                 | \$225                                    |
|   | <u>Solar panel installation (13.44 kW or greater)</u> ( <u>no energy storage system</u> ) <sup>c</sup>  | <u>Yes</u>        | <u>Yes</u>          | <u>\$250 per array (\$1,000 minimum)</u> |
|   | (Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)   |                   |                     |  |
| Fences, freestanding walls, and trash enclosures  | Installation of fence up to 6 feet high, any length, any material except masonry  | No                | No                  | <del>\$150</del> <u>\$75</u>             |
| (Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.) |   |                   |                     |  |
| <u>Fire escapes</u>                               | Fire escape installation, <i>alteration</i> , or <i>repair</i> on building up to 4 stories  | Yes <sup>a</sup>  | Yes                 | \$150 per fire escape                    |
|   | Fire escape installation, <i>alteration</i> , or <i>repair</i> on 5 to 7 story building   | Yes <sup>a</sup>  | Yes                 | \$450 per fire escape                    |



|  |  |                  |            |                            |
|--|--|------------------|------------|----------------------------|
|  | Fire escape installation, <i>alteration</i> , or <i>repair</i> on buildings over 7 stories | Yes <sup>a</sup> | Yes        | \$900 per fire escape      |
| <i>(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)</i> |  |                  |            |                            |
| <u>Monthly permit</u> <sup>c</sup>                       | <u>Electrical maintenance</u><br>(per building, per 30 days)                               | <u>No</u>        | <u>No</u>  | <u>\$75</u>                |
|  | <u>Plumbing maintenance</u><br>(per building, per 30 days)                                 | <u>No</u>        | <u>No</u>  | <u>\$75</u>                |
| <i>(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)</i> |  |                  |            |                            |
| Porch, deck, balcony, or similar structure               | Limited <i>repair</i> (replacement of up to 25% of existing material)                      | Yes <sup>a</sup> | No         | <u>\$75 per structure</u>  |
|  | <i>Repair</i> (replacement of 26% to 50% of existing material)                             | Yes              | No         | \$150 per structure        |
|  | Reconstruction, same size and location   | Yes              | No         | \$300 per structure        |
|  | <u>Replacement of an enclosed porch with an open porch, same size and location</u>         | <u>Yes</u>       | <u>No</u>  | <u>\$300 per structure</u> |
|  | <u>New deck, ramp, or exterior stairs, no more than 6 feet above the ground</u>            | <u>Yes</u>       | <u>Yes</u> | <u>\$300 per structure</u> |
| <i>(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)</i> |  |                  |            |                            |
| Temporary structures <sup>c</sup>                        | Construction trailers (single story)   | No               | No         | \$250 per year             |

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

**SECTION 9.** Chapter 14A-12 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting a new Section 14A-12-1204.2.1, as follows:

**14A-12-1204.2.1 Annual increase.**

Beginning in 2026, on or before October 1 of each year, the *building official* must determine the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, US City Average (CPI-U) from January 2024 to January of the present year and prepare a fee schedule, based on Table 14A-12-1204.2, with monetary values in the body of the table increased in proportion to any positive change in the CPI-U. The *building official* may round fee amounts to the nearest \$5.00 increment. Fee schedules prepared by the *building official* in

accordance with this section and published on the City's public web site are effective on January 1 of the succeeding year..

**SECTION 10.** Table 14A-12-1204.3(1) of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**Table 14A-12-1204.3(1) Construction Factor for All Work Types**

| Occupancy Classification per Chapter 14B-3 <sup>a</sup> | Construction Type per Chapter 14B-6 <sup>b</sup> |        |        |        |                                    |
|---|--|--------|--------|--------|------------------------------------|
|   | I  | II     | III    | IV     | V                                  |
| Group A-1 (with stage)                                  | \$0.87   | \$0.81 | \$0.79 | \$0.75 | \$0.69                             |
| Group A-1 (without stage) <u>Group A</u>                | \$0.80   | \$0.74 | \$0.71 | \$0.68 | <del>\$0.54</del><br><u>\$0.61</u> |
| Group A-2<br>Group A-3<br>Group A-4                     | \$0.71   | \$0.66 | \$0.62 | \$0.60 | \$0.54                             |
| Group A-5   | \$0.79   | \$0.73 | \$0.71 | \$0.67 | \$0.61                             |

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

- a. ~~Buildings containing~~ If the scope of work involves more than one occupancy, the construction factor will be ~~assessed fees weighted~~ based on the gross floor area occupied by each occupancy. Common areas in mixed-occupancy buildings will be assessed fees based on the classification of the predominant occupancy. If a single occupancy occupies 85 percent or more of the ~~building area~~ area of work, the entire fee will be based on that occupancy classification.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

**SECTION 11.** Table 14A-12-1204.3(3) of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**Table 14A-12-1204.3(3) Scope of Review Factor for New Construction <sup>a</sup>**

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

|         |     |  |       |
|---------|-----|--|-------|
| Group B | 0.5 | <del>Free-standing kiosk used for business</del> | \$750 |
|---------|-----|--|-------|

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

|         |     |  |       |
|---------|-----|--|-------|
| Group M | 0.5 | <del>Free-standing kiosk used for retail</del> | \$750 |
|---------|-----|--|-------|

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

- c. A minimum fee of \$302 applies to all permits for temporary structures. A minimum fee of \$602 applies to all other permits.

**SECTION 12.** Table 14A-12-1204.3(4) of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**Table 14A-12-1204.3(4) Scope of Review Factor for Rehabilitation <sup>a</sup>**

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

|         |  |   |                                 |
|---------|--|---|---------------------------------|
| Group R | 0.25   | <del>Repair or in-kind replacement of existing porch, balcony, deck, exterior stair, or occupiable rooftop (no reconfiguration)</del> | \$200 each                      |
|         | <i>(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)</i> |   |                                 |
|         | 1.0  | Decrease in number of dwelling units or sleeping units  | <del>\$750</del> <u>\$1,500</u> |

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

c. A minimum fee of ~~\$302~~ \$602 applies to all *permits*.

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

**SECTION 13.** Table 14A-12-1204.3(5) of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**Table 14A-12-1204.3(5) Scope of Review Factor for Exterior Wall Rehabilitation <sup>a</sup>**

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

|     |   |       |
|-----|---|-------|
| 1.0 | <del>Fascia repair or in-kind replacement</del> | \$250 |
|-----|---|-------|

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

c. A minimum fee of ~~\$302~~ \$602 applies to all *permits*.

**SECTION 14.** Table 14A-12-1204.3(6) of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**Table 14A-12-1204.3(6) Scope of Review Factor for Phased Permitting <sup>a</sup>**

*(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance.)*

c. A minimum fee of ~~\$302~~ \$602 applies to all *permits*.

**SECTION 15.** Section 14A-12-1204.3.1 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**14A-12-1204.3.1 Annual increase.**

Beginning in 2022, on or before October 1 of each year, the *building official* must determine the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, US City Average (CPI-U) from January 2021 to January of the present year and prepare fee schedules, based on Tables 14A-12-1204.3(1) through 14A-12-1204.3(6), with monetary values in the bodies of the table ~~adjusted~~ increased in proportion to ~~the~~ any positive change in ~~the~~ the CPI-U. The *building official* may round minimum fees to the nearest \$50.00 increment. Fee schedules prepared by the *building official* in accordance with this section and published on the City's public web site are effective on January 1 of the succeeding year.

**ARTICLE XIX. GAMING OPERATIONS AT MIDWAY**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Chicago (the "City") is a duly constituted and existing municipality within the meaning of Section 1 of Article VII of the 1970 Constitution (the "Constitution") of the State of Illinois (the "State") and is a home rule unit of local government under Section 6(a) of Article VII of the Constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2019, Public Act 101-0031 amended the Illinois Gambling Act, 230 ILCS 10/1 *et seq.* (the "Act") which, *inter alia*, authorized the Illinois Gaming Board (the "Board") to issue one owners license (the "License") for the conduct of casino gambling in the City; and

**WHEREAS**, following the above-described amendment of the Act, the City conducted a Request for Proposals process (the "Process") to select an applicant to be eligible to apply for the License from the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Process and the requirements of the Act, the City selected Bally's Chicago Operating Company, LLC ("Bally's") as the proposed licensee to own and operate a temporary casino (the "Temporary Casino") and to build, own and operate a permanent casino (the "Permanent Casino"), each within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to a resolution passed by the City Council of the City (the "City Council") on May 25, 2022 (the "2022 Resolution") and an ordinance passed by the City Council on May 25, 2022 (the "2022 Ordinance"), the City was authorized to enter into a host community agreement with Bally's regarding the Temporary Casino and the Permanent Casino; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the 2022 Resolution and the 2022 Ordinance, the City and Bally's executed that certain Host Community Agreement dated as of June 9, 2022 (the "2022 Agreement") with respect to the Temporary Casino and the Permanent Casino, each as described therein; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 26, 2023, the Board granted Bally's the License; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 7.15 of the Act provides that Bally's, as the holder of the License, may conduct gaming operations in an airport under the administration or control of the Chicago Department of Aviation, so long as: (i) gaming operations are conducted in a secured area that is beyond the Transportation Security Administration security checkpoints and only available to airline passengers at least 21 years of age who are members of a private club, and not to the general public, (ii) gaming operations are limited to slot machines, as defined in Section 4 of the Act, and (iii) the combined number of gaming positions operating in the City at the airports and at the Temporary Casino and the Permanent Casino facility does not exceed the maximum number of 4,000 gaming positions (the "Positions Cap") for such casino operations as mandated under Section 7(h) of the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 7.15 of the Act further provides that gaming operations at a City airport are subject to all applicable laws and rules that apply to any other gaming facility under the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, Bally's has expressed interest to the City in exploring conducting gaming operations at Midway International Airport ("Midway") in accordance with Section 7.15 of the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has determined that it is in the best interests of the City to work with Bally's to facilitate the implementation of such gaming operations at Midway (the "Midway Facility") which comply with Section 7.15 of the Act and which meet City objectives for such gaming operations; now, therefore,

*Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Chicago:*

**Section 1. Authorization.** The City Council, after a public meeting heretofore held on this Ordinance by the Committee on Finance of the City Council (the "Finance Committee"), pursuant to proper notice and in accordance with, the findings and recommendations of the Finance Committee, hereby finds that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are full, true, and correct and does incorporate them into this Ordinance by this reference. This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to Section 6(a) of Article VII of the Constitution.

**Section 2. Amendments to 2022 Agreement.** The Mayor, the Chief Financial Officer, the Commissioner of Aviation and the City Comptroller (each, an "Authorized Officer") are each hereby authorized to negotiate and execute, and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest, one or more amendments to the 2022 Agreement (collectively, the "Amendments") with respect to the Midway Facility, as the Authorized Officer executing such Amendment shall determine to be in the best interests of the City and provided, further, that the following conditions are satisfied in connection with the Amendment being executed (and taking into account all other Amendments previously executed pursuant to this Section 2):

- (a) the definition of "Project" in the 2022 Agreement shall be amended to include the Midway Facility;
- (b) Bally's representations and covenants in the 2022 Agreement shall be appropriately amended to add comparable representations and covenants applicable to the Midway Facility (including without limitation indemnification of the City by Bally's);
- (c) Bally's obligations with respect to the Temporary Casino and the Permanent Casino shall not be reduced due to the addition of the Midway Facility; provided, however, that notwithstanding the foregoing, the number of gaming positions at the Temporary Casino and/or the Permanent Casino may be reduced due to the addition of gaming positions at the Midway Facility as necessary to comply with the Positions Cap;

- (d) Bally's payment obligations to the City under the 2022 Agreement shall not be reduced due to the addition of the Midway Facility; and
- (e) to the extent that the addition of the Midway Facility causes the City to expend any funds to preserve the tax-exempt status of outstanding Midway debt obligations, Bally's shall be obligated to promptly reimburse the City for such expenditures.

**Section 3. Appropriation.** Proceeds received by the City in relation to the operation of the Midway Facility shall be expended by the City, as required by applicable law, for payment to the Policemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago and to the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago, in each case to satisfy the City's contribution obligations to such pension funds in any year.

**Section 4. Amendments to Midway Lease.** The Mayor, with the recommendation of the Commissioner of Aviation, is authorized to execute such amendments to the concession redevelopment and management lease agreement between the City and Midway Partnership LLC ("Midway Lease") as may be necessary or desirable to facilitate the location of the Midway Facility within Midway Partnership LLC's leasehold, to the extent that such amendments were not authorized under previous authority to execute the Midway Lease.

**Section 5. Amendments to Municipal Code.** (a) Section 4-60-072 of the Municipal Code of Chicago (the "Municipal Code") is hereby amended by inserting the text underscored, as follows:

**4-60-072 Liquor licenses in a casino.**

A liquor licensee in a casino, as that term is defined in 230 ILCS 10/4, or in a facility that is conducting gaming operations in Chicago Midway International Airport pursuant to 230 ILCS 10/7.15, shall be subject to all provisions of this chapter, except for subsections (e) and (f) of Section 4-60-040; the 35-day review period of subsection (h) of Section 4-60-040; Section 4-60-050; Section 4-60-130; and any provision of this Code regarding hours for the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor.

(b) Section 4-156-010 of the Municipal Code is hereby amended by inserting the text underscored, as follows:

**4-156-010 Definitions.**

For purposes of this chapter:

"Amusement" means: (1) any exhibition, performance, presentation or show for entertainment purposes, including, but not limited to, any theatrical, dramatic, musical or spectacular performance, promotional show, motion picture show, flower, poultry or animal show, animal act, circus, rodeo, athletic contest, sport, game or similar exhibition such as boxing, wrestling, skating, dancing, swimming, racing, or riding on animals or vehicles, baseball, basketball, softball, football, tennis, golf, hockey, track and field games, bowling or billiard or pool games; (2) any entertainment or recreational activity offered for public participation or on a membership or other basis including, but not limited to, carnivals, amusement park rides and games, bowling, billiards and pool games, dancing, tennis, racquetball, swimming, weightlifting, bodybuilding or similar activities; or (3) any paid television programming, whether transmitted by

wire, cable, fiber optics, laser, microwave, radio, satellite or similar means. "Amusement" does not include lawful gambling at a casino, as that term is defined in 230 ILCS 10/4, or gaming operations in Chicago Midway International Airport pursuant to 230 ILCS 10/7.15.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(c) Section 4-156-150 of the Municipal Code is hereby amended by inserting the text underscored, as follows:

**4-156-150 Definitions.**

As used in this chapter:

"Automatic amusement device" means any machine, which, upon the insertion of a coin, slug, token, card or similar object, or upon any other payment method, may be operated by the public generally for use as a game, entertainment or amusement, whether or not registering a score, and includes but is not limited to such devices as jukeboxes, marble machines, pinball machines, movie and video booths or stands and all games, operations or transactions similar thereto under whatever name by which they may be indicated. Bingo devices are deemed gambling devices and are therefore prohibited for use except as provided by state law. If a machine consists of more than one game monitor which permits individuals to play separate games simultaneously, each separate game monitor shall be deemed an automatic amusement device. An "automatic amusement device" does not include a machine used for lawful gambling at a casino, as that term is defined in 230 ILCS 10/4, or gaming operations in Chicago Midway International Airport pursuant to 230 ILCS 10/7.15.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(d) Section 4-156-160 of the Municipal Code is hereby amended by inserting the text underscored, as follows:

**4-156-160 Tax imposed.**

An annual tax in the amount of \$150.00 for each calendar year is imposed upon all automatic amusement devices operated for gain or profit per device. This section does not apply to a casino, as that term is defined in 230 ILCS 10/4, or gaming operations in Chicago Midway International Airport pursuant to 230 ILCS 10/7.15.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(e) Section 17-13-0205 of the Municipal Code is hereby amended by deleting the text struck through, as follows:

**17-13-0205 Exception.** Any proposed text amendment involving the establishment or regulation of a *casino* in the City of Chicago ~~which is referred to the City Council Special Committee on the Chicago Casino~~ is excepted from the procedures outlined in Sections 17-13-0201, 17-13-0202, and 17-13-0203.



(f) Section 17-17-0234 of the Municipal Code is hereby amended by inserting the text underscored, as follows:

**17-17-0234 Casino.** A facility at which gambling is authorized as provided in the Illinois Gambling Act as in effect on May 4, 2022. For purposes of this Zoning Ordinance, the term casino does not include gaming operations in Chicago Midway International Airport.

**Section 6. Construction.** To the extent that any ordinance, resolution, rule, order or provision of the Municipal Code or part thereof, is in conflict with or inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be controlling. If any part, section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance. No provision of the Municipal Code or violation of any provision of the Municipal Code shall be deemed to render voidable at the option of the City any document, instrument or agreement authorized under this Ordinance or to impair the validity of this Ordinance or the instruments authorized by this Ordinance or any other documents, instruments or agreements authorized hereunder; provided further that the foregoing shall not be deemed to affect the availability of any other remedy or penalty for any violation of any provision of the Municipal Code. The documents, agreements and instruments authorized under this Ordinance shall not be deemed to be "city contracts" for the purposes of Section 11-4-1600(e) of the Municipal Code

**Section 7. Additional Authorization.** Each Authorized Officer and the City Clerk shall be, and each of them hereby is, authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary to effect the performance of all obligations of the City under and pursuant to this Ordinance or the Amendments, and the performance of all other acts of whatever nature necessary to effect and carry out the authority conferred by this Ordinance or the Amendments, but subject to any limitations on or restrictions of such power or authority as herein set forth. Each Authorized Officer and the City Clerk are hereby further authorized, empowered and directed for and on behalf of the City, to execute and deliver all papers, documents, certificates and other instruments that may be required to carry out the authority conferred by this Ordinance or the Amendments or to evidence said authority and any such actions heretofore taken by an Authorized Officer, the City Treasurer, or the City Clerk in accordance with the provisions hereof are hereby ratified and approved.

**Section 8. Pamphlet Publication.** This Ordinance shall be published by the City Clerk, by causing to be printed in special pamphlet form at least five copies hereof, which copies are to be made available in the office of the City Clerk for public inspection and distribution to members of the public who may wish to avail themselves of a copy of this Ordinance.

## **ARTICLE XX. PROPERTY TAX INCREASE SUSPENDER**

**SECTION 1.** The annual increase in the property tax levy equal to the lesser of the most recently reported annual increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or five percent established by Section 3-92-075 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby suspended for fiscal year 2026.

## **ARTICLE XXI. PILOT MARKETING AND ADVERTISING PROGRAM**

**SECTION 1.** The Chief Financial Officer, pursuant to the authority granted in Section 2-32-055 and in consultation with the Comptroller, the Chicago Department of Transportation, the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events, the Department of Fleet and Facility Management, the Department of Law, shall establish a pilot marketing and advertising program to permit advertisements on City lampposts and parking meters in the Central Business District as defined in Section 9-4-010 of the Municipal Code of Chicago.

**SECTION 2.** This pilot program shall sunset on December 31, 2027.

## **ARTICLE XXII. SEVERABILITY AND SUPERSEDER**

**SECTION 1.** The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be separate and severable. The invalidity of any provision of this ordinance, or the invalidity of the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance, or the validity of its application to other persons or circumstances.

**SECTION 2.** In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between this ordinance and any other ordinance, resolution, motion, or order, this ordinance shall prevail.

## **ARTICLE XXII. EFFECTIVE DATES**

**SECTION 1.** Following passage and approval, Section 2 of Article IV of this ordinance shall be effective January 6, 2026.

**SECTION 2.** Following passage and approval, Section 3 of Article IV of this ordinance shall take effect July 1, 2026.

**SECTION 3.** Following passage and approval, Section 7 of Article IV of this ordinance shall take effect February 1, 2026.

**SECTION 4.** Section 6 of Article IV of this ordinance shall take effect 10 days after passage and approval.

**SECTION 5.** Articles X, XI, XII, XIII, XIV, XV, XVI, XVII, and XVIII shall take effect upon passage and approval, provided that new fee amounts established by this ordinance shall take effect as soon as practicable, but at least 10 days after such effective date or January 1, 2026, whichever is later, as determined by the Commissioner of Buildings and the Chief Information Officer.

**SECTION 6.** Article XIX shall take effect shall be in full force and effect upon passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form.

**SECTION 7.** Following passage and approval, all other parts of this ordinance not otherwise referenced in this Article XXIV shall take effect on January 1, 2026.