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[Administrative, Business and Tax, Fire, Health, and Police Codes - Business License Fees]

Ordinance amending various sections of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code, Administrative Code, Fire Code, Health Code, and Police Code to: 1) establish March 31 as the date for the annual renewal of certain business licenses; 2) apply a schedule of penalties for failure to timely renew certain business licenses; and 3) require Departments to post current business license fees on their websites.

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Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. The San Francisco Administrative Code is hereby amended by amending Section 26.26, to read as follows:

SEC. 26.26. FEE.

The owner of the Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Use shall each be required to pay an annual fee of \$264.00 to cover the cost of administering the Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Use Education and Outreach Program and the cost of the City Attorney. This annual fee shall be billed by and paid to the Office of the Treasurer & and Tax Collector, which shall deposit the monies collected in the Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Continuing Project Account, as set forth in Section 26.27. In the event that the owner of the Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Use fails to pay the fee during a given fiscal year, the Office of the Treasurer &and Tax Collector shall notify the Department of Public Health, which may request that the City Attorney pursue collection of the penalties.

Beginning with fiscal year 2006-2007, the annual fee may be adjusted each year, without further action by the Board of Supervisors, to reflect changes in the relevant

Consumer Price Index, as determined by the Controller. No later than April 15th of each year, the Department of Public Health shall submit the annual fee to the Controller, who shall apply the price index adjustment to produce a new annual fee for the following year. No later than May 15th of each year, the Controller shall file a report with the Board of Supervisors reporting the new annual fee and certifying that: (a) the annual fee produces sufficient revenue to support the proposed costs of providing the services in the upcoming fiscal year for which the annual fee is being charged and (b) the annual fee will not produce revenue that exceeds the proposed costs of providing the services in the upcoming fiscal year for which the annual fee is charged. Notwithstanding the procedures set forth in this Section, the Board of Supervisors, in its discretion, may modify the annual fee by ordinance at any time. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

A new Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Use or a Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Use that undergoes a change in ownership after the enactment of the Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Use Ordinance shall pay its first annual fee *on a pro-rated basis* reflecting within 60 days of commencing operation or of the change in ownership. This first annual fee payment shall be pro-rated based of the number of days left in the fiscal year. *The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.*

Upon the request of the owner of a Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Use, the Department of Public Health may waive payment of the annual fee provided that the owner can show to the satisfaction of the Department of Public Health all of the following:

(1) That the Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Use has been under the same ownership for not less than the previous three years;

- (2) That the annual fee for the Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Use has been paid in a timely manner for not less than the previous three years; and
- (3) That the Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Use has not been the subject of a City Department-referred complaint or any administrative penalties or conditions imposed by a Hearing Officer, the Board of Appeals, or the Board of Supervisors under the provisions of this Chapter.

If the owner of the Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Use can show all of the above, the Department of Public Health shall waive the fee indefinitely, provided, however, that if the Deemed Approved Off-Sale Alcohol Use changes ownership or becomes the subject of a City Department-referred complaint or any administrative penalties or conditions imposed by a Hearing Officer, the Board of Appeals, or the Board of Supervisors under the provisions of this Chapter the annual fee shall be immediately reimposed.

Section 2. The San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code is hereby amended by adding Sections 76.1 and 76.2, deleting Sections 76 and 80, and amending Sections 78, 93, 93.1,120, 122, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249.1, 249.5, 249.6, 249.7, 249.12, 249.13, 249.15, and 249.16, to read as follows:

SEC. 76. LICENSES PAYABLE IN ADVANCE, WHERE PAYABLE, PENALTY FOR NONPAYMENT.

Unless otherwise specifically provided, in all cases of annual licenses, collectible on the first day of January, April, July or October, fees for new licenses issued prior to or subsequent to said date shall be provided to the end of the yearly period on a monthly basis.

In all cases of licenses on new business collectible at periods other than the months of October,

January, April and July, the Tax Collector shall prorate on a monthly basis the amount or license fee
for any given quarter.

Whenever a license tax is imposed by Ordinance it shall be unlawful to do or perform the act or to earry on the business, trade, profession or ealling for which a license is required or to own, keep or use the article or thing, for the owning, keeping or using of which a license is required, unless such license be first procured.

All licenses are payable, when due, at the office of the Tax Collector, in the City Hall, and if not paid within 30 days after the same become due, the Tax Collector shall add 10 percent to the amount of the license as a penalty for nonpayment. If the license is not paid within 60 days after the same becomes due, the Tax Collector shall add 15 percent to the amount of the license as a penalty for nonpayment. If the license is not paid within 90 days after same becomes due, the Tax Collector shall add 25 percent to the amount of the license, as a penalty for nonpayment, provided, however, when a licensee has failed for a period of six months or more to pay a license fee, and has allowed the license to become delinquent for this or a longer period, the Tax Collector shall, in such instance, impose a penalty of 25 percent on the total amount of license delinquent, and shall turn over a complete list of such licensees to the Chief of Police for arrest and prosecution, under the provisions of this Article. Nothing shall permit the exemption of the penalty mentioned in this Section.

SEC. 76.1. LICENSES PAYABLE ON MARCH 31, WHERE PAYABLE, PENALTY FOR NONPAYMENT, ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT.

(a) Commencing March 31, 2012, the following provisions shall apply to licenses that are renewable annually and are due and payable in full to the Treasurer and Tax Collector on March 31 of each year. The Tax Collector shall prorate fees for new licenses issued prior to March 31, or after March 31 to the end of the license period, on a monthly basis. The Tax Collector may not accept partial payments and may not refund fees paid by a licensee, if the licensee ceases operating the business prior to the end of the license period.

(b) Whenever a City ordinance imposes a license fee, it shall be unlawful to do or perform the act or to carry on the business, trade, profession or calling for which City law requires the license without obtaining and maintaining the required license.

All license fees are payable, when due, at the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector, in City Hall, and if not paid within 30 days after they become due, the license shall expire by operation of law and the licensee must obtain a new license and pay all applicable penalties specified below and fees incurred under the previously expired license, provided, however, that the licensee shall not be subject to the penalties unless the Tax Collector sent notice to the licensee prior to February 28, of the same year, informing the licensee that the permit is about to expire. The notice that the license is about to expire may be a part of the annual billing statement.

If a licensee does not pay the fee within 30 days after it becomes due, but the licensee continues to operate the business, the Tax Collector shall add 10 percent to the amount of the license fee as a penalty for nonpayment. If the licensee does not pay the fee within 60 days after it becomes due, but the licensee continues to operate the business, the Tax Collector shall add 15 percent to the amount of the license fee as a penalty for nonpayment. If the licensee does not pay the fee within 90 days after it becomes due, but the licensee continues to operate the business, the Tax Collector shall add 25 percent to the amount of the license fee, as a penalty for nonpayment. If the licensee has failed for a period of six months or more to pay a license fee, but has continued to operate the business, the Tax Collector shall impose an additional penalty of 25 percent on the amount of the delinquent licensee fee, and shall refer the delinquent licensee to the department charged with administering the permit for administrative action on the permit. These penalties are mandatory and City officers and employees may not waive them in whole or in part.

(c) Each department shall maintain on its website an up-to-date schedule of all fees that it collects. The Municipal Code shall include an editor's statement informing the public that the fees administered pursuant to this Section are subject to annual review and adjustment to reflect the City's

cost increases or decreases, which may include adjustments based upon the Consumer Price Index that most accurately tracks increases and decreases in the City's cost for the function, service, or undertaking that the fee will pay for, and that each department maintains on its website an up-to-date list of the fees charged subject to adjustment. This subsection is not intended to change the processes for adjustment of fees as provided in the Municipal Code.

SEC. 76.2. LICENSES PAYABLE IN ADVANCE ON DATES OTHER THAN MARCH 31, WHERE PAYABLE, PENALTY FOR NONPAYMENT, ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT.

(a) Unless otherwise specifically provided, in all cases of annual licenses, collectible on the first day of January, April, July or October, fees for new licenses issued prior to or subsequent to said date shall be prorated to the end of the yearly period on a monthly basis.

In all cases of licenses on new business collectible at periods other than the months of October, January, April and July, or on March 31 pursuant to Section 76.1, the Tax Collector shall prorate on a monthly basis the amount or license fee for any given quarter.

(b) Whenever a license fee is imposed by ordinance it shall be unlawful to do or perform the act or to carry on the business, trade, profession or calling for which a license is required or to own, keep or use the article or thing, for the owning, keeping or using of which a license is required, unless such license be first procured.

All licenses are payable, when due, at the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector, in City

Hall, and if not paid within 30 days after the same become due, the license shall expire by operation of

law and the licensee must obtain a new license and pay all applicable penalties specified below and

fees incurred under the previously expired license, provided, however, that the licensee shall not be

subject to the penalties unless the Tax Collector sent notice to the licensee prior to February 28, of the

same year, informing the licensee that the permit is about to expire. The notice that the license is about

to expire may be a part of the annual billing statement.

If a licensee does not pay the fee within 30 days after it becomes due, but the licensee continues to operate the business, the Tax Collector shall add 10 percent to the amount of the license as a penalty for nonpayment. If the licensee does not pay the fee within 60 days after the same becomes due, but the licensee continues to operate the business, the Tax Collector shall add 15 percent to the amount of the licensee as a penalty for nonpayment. If the licensee does not pay the fee within 90 days after it becomes due, but the licensee continues to operate the business, the Tax Collector shall add 25 percent to the amount of the licensee, as a penalty for nonpayment. If the licensee has failed for a period of six months or more to pay a license fee, but has continued to operate the business, the Tax Collector shall, impose an additional penalty of 25 percent on the amount of the delinquent license fee, and shall refer the delinquent licensee to the department charged with administering the permit for administrative action on the permit. These penalties are mandatory and City officers and employees may not waive them in whole or in part.

Each department shall maintain on its website an up-to-date schedule of all fees that it collects.

The Municipal Code shall include an editor's statement informing the public that the fees administered pursuant to this Section are subject to annual review and adjustment to reflect the City's cost increases or decreases, which may include adjustments based upon the Consumer Price Index that most accurately tracks increases and decreases in the City's cost for the function, service, or undertaking that the fee will pay for, and that each department maintains on its website an up-to-date list of the fees charged subject to adjustment.

SEC. 78. EVIDENCE OF LIABILITY.

In any action brought under or arising out of any of the provisions of any Θ rdinance imposing a license $\frac{tex-fee}{tex}$, the fact that a party thereto represented himself or herself as engaged in any business or calling for the transaction of which a license is required, or that

such party exhibited a sign indicating such business or calling, shall be conclusive evidence of the liability of such party to pay for a license.

SEC. 80. APPLICANT TO BE EXAMINED.

In all cases where the rate of license tax is graduated according to the amount of business done, or according to any other matter peculiarly within the knowledge of the person liable for license, such person must be examined at the Tax Collector's office or upon the premises in regard to such matters, and must be required to subscribe to a sworn statement, or affidavit that he has, to the best of his knowledge and belief, truly answered all questions touching the amount of license or kind of license for which he applies or is liable.

It is within the discretion of the Tax Collector to refuse to accept anything but an advanced rate of license tax until he has determined, by an inspection of account books or other evidence, that a lower rate is justifiable.

In all cases where the rate of license tax is graduated according to the amount of business done periodically, as monthly, quarter or annually, the amount of license tax to be charged in advance shall be determined by the business done in the next month, quarter or year prior to the period for which the license tax is due, unless by Ordinance it be specifically provided otherwise. In case there have been no receipts for the previous month, quarter or year, the lowest rate of license tax shall be paid. This same rule for determining the amount of license tax shall apply wherever the amount of license tax is to be determined in accordance with the amount of profits made or the amount of commissions received, or the amount of sale made or the amount of receipts; or by any other contingency or circumstance.

Supervisor Chiu, Treasurer-Tax Collector **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

SEC. 93. MOTOR FUEL DISPENSING FACILITIES.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of maintaining, conducting or operating a motor fuel dispensing facility that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 93. 1. SELF-SERVICE MOTOR FUEL DISPENSING FACILITIES.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of maintaining, conducting or operating a self-service motor fuel dispensing facility that requires a permit from the Fire Department, and jointly administered by the Fire and Health Departments, shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 120. LAUNDRIES AND CLEANING AND DYEING WORKS.

- (a) Every owner, manager or lessee of a hand laundry will pay the following license fee annually: \$87.
- (b)(a) Every owner, manager or lessee of a wash laundry will pay the following license fee annually in advance to the Tax Collector: \$187.
- (c) Every owner, manager or lessee of a cleaning, dyeing or cleaning and dyeing works will pay the following fee annually: \$22.
- (b) Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of dry cleaning that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall also pay an annual license fee of \$344.00 per year.

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(d)(c) Every owner, manager or lessee of an automatic laundry (mechanical, pay-to-operate, washing or dyeing machine) will pay the following license fee annually-in advance to the Tax Collector: \$29 plus \$11 per machine.

(e)(d) Every owner, manager or lessee of a laundry delivery service will pay the following license fee annually *in advance to the Tax Collector*: \$21 per delivery vehicle per year.

The license fees prescribed by this Section are due and payable the first day of January of each year. Fees for new licenses issued prior to January 1st shall be prorated to the end of such calendar year on a monthly basis.

The license fees set forth above shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 122. LIVERY STABLES.

All keepers or owners of stables or barns who rent or let horses, vehicles, or stalls, or who board horses, shall pay a license fee of \$131 per year.

The license fee prescribed in this Section is due and payable on an annual basis, commencing October 1, 1978shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 224. STORAGE AND USE OF BATTERY SYSTEMS.

Every person, firm or corporation storing or using a battery system that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

SEC. 225. WASTE HANDLING.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of waste handling, including but not limited to junk yards and wrecking yards, that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 226. MAINTENANCE OF FIRE FIGHTER AIR SYSTEMS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in business that involves the maintenance or repair of a fire fighter air replenishment system that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 227. COMBUSTIBLE DUST PRODUCING OPERATIONS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in business that involves combustible dust producing operations that require a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 228. FRUIT AND CROP RIPENING.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in business involving fruit and crop ripening that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 229. HOT WORK OPERATIONS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in business involving hot work operations that require a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 230. USE OF LIQUID OR GAS FUELED VEHICLES OR EQUIPMENT IN ASSEMBLY BUILDINGS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in business involving the use of liquid or gas fueled vehicles or equipment in an assembly building that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 231. USE OF REFRIGERATION EQUIPMENT.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in business involving the use of refrigeration equipment that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

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SEC. 232. AMUSEMENT BUILDINGS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in business involving amusement buildings that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 233. COVERED MALL BUILDINGS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in business involving covered mall buildings that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 234. PYROXYLIN PLASTICS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in business involving the use of pyroxylin plastics that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 235. ROOFTOP HELIPORTS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in business using a rooftop heliport that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

SEC. 236. TIRE REBUILDING PLANTS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in business of maintenance and operating a tire rebuilding plant that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 237. PLACES OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLY AND OPEN-AIR ASSEMBLY.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of maintaining, operating or using a building, stadium or structure as a place of public assembly or an open-air assembly that requires a permit from the Fire Department, and where a license is not required elsewhere in the Municipal Code, shall pay an annual license fee of \$564.00 per year.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 238. NITROCELLULOSE FILM AND PLASTICS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of processing, storing or using nitrocellulose motion picture film or nitrocellulose plastics that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

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SEC. 239. STORAGE OF CERTAIN COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in any business of storing combustible fibers, waste materials, lumber or readily combustible materials, including high-piled storage, that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 240. STORAGE AND USE OF FLAMMABLE OR COMBUSTIBLE LIQUIDS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of storing, using or transporting flammable or combustible liquids, including flammable or combustible liquid fuel oil, that requires a permit from the Fire Department, unless such person shall have secured a license under Sections 90 or 93 of this Article, shall pay an annual license fee \underline{of} \$344.00 per year.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 241. FUMIGATION AND FOGGING.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of fumigating and fogging that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

SEC. 242. STORAGE AND USE OF LIQUEFIED GASES AND COMPRESSED GASES.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of storing or using liquefied petroleum gases or compressed gases that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 243. ERECTION AND USE OF ACETYLENE GENERATORS; STORAGE OF CALCIUM CARBIDE.

Every person, firm or corporation \underline{that} installs \underline{or} uses an acetylene generator for which a permit is required $\underline{forfrom}$ the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 244. APPLICATION OF FLAMMABLE FINISHES; AND USE AND OPERATION OF INDUSTRIAL BAKING AND DRYING OVENS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of applying flammable finishes, including floor finishes, that requires a permit from the Fire Department; or using or operating an industrial baking and drying oven that requires a permit from the Fire Department, shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

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SEC. 245. PROCESSING OF MAGNESIUM.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of processing magnesium that requires a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 246. OPERATING A TANK VEHICLE.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of transporting flammable liquids by tank vehicle, and providing such tank, vehicle that requires a permit from the Fire Department, shall pay an annual fee of \$344.00 for each tank vehicle.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 247. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of storing and using hazardous materials, including but not limited to aerosols, cryogenic fluids, and explosives, that require a permit from the Fire Department shall pay an annual license fee of \$344.00.

The license fee for the Fire Department permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 248. FOOD PRODUCT AND MARKETING ESTABLISHMENTS.

(a) The following fee for licenses is established for persons, firms or corporations engaged in the conduct or operation of the handling, manufacture or sale of foodstuffs, annually payable in advance to the Tax Collector.

Class	Fee
Class A. Food product and marketing establishments without food prepara	ation with a
total square footage of:	
Less than 5,001 square feet	\$569
5,001 square feet to 10,000 square feet	<u>\$</u> 748
10,001 square feet to 20,000 square feet	<u>\$</u> 934
Greater than 20,000 square feet	<u>\$</u> 1,135
Class B. Food product and marketing establishments with food preparation	on with a total
square footage of:	
Less than 5,001 square feet	<u>\$</u> 610
5,001 square feet to 10,000 square feet	<u>\$</u> 794
10,001 square feet to 20,000 square feet	<u>\$</u> 968
Greater than 20,000 square feet	<u>\$</u> 1,154
Class C. Retail bakeries with total square footage of:	
Less than 2,001 square feet	<u>\$</u> 625
Greater than 2,000 square feet	<u>\$</u> 645
Class D. Produce stand	<u>\$</u> 629
Class E. Certified farmers market	<u>\$</u> 635
Class F. Wholesale food markets	<u>\$</u> 610

Class G. Food manufacturing or processing	<u>\$</u> 629
Class H. Food product and marketing establishments with an inventory o	f food at cost
in stock as of the first day of April:	
Less than \$1,000	<u>\$</u> 105
Greater than \$1,000	0
Class I. Food product and marketing establishments in stadiums, arenas or auditoriums with a seating capacity of 25,000 or more	<u>\$</u> 625

(b) The license fees prescribed in this Section are due and payable annually in advance on the first day of September of each year. Fees for new licenses issued prior to, or after September 1st, shall be prorated on a monthly basis. The license fees set forth above shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 249.1. FOOD PREPARATION AND SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of operating food preparation and service establishments, as defined in Section 451 of the San Francisco Health Code, that require permits from the Health Department shall pay an annual license fee to the Tax Collector as follows:

(a)

Class		.		Fee
Class A. Food preparati	on and service	e establishments v	with a total	
square footage of:				

Less than 1,000 square feet	\$777
1,000 square feet to 2,000 square feet:	<u>\$</u> 1,028
Greater than 2,000 square feet	<u>\$</u> 1,179
Class B. Bar or tavern	<u>\$</u> 923
Class C. Take-out establishment	<u>\$</u> 932
Class D. Fast food establishment	<u>\$</u> 1,056
Class E. Catering facility	<u>\$</u> 908
Class F. Temporary facility	<u>\$</u> 145
Class G. Food demonstrations	<u>\$</u> 105
Class H. Commissary	<u>\$</u> 884
Class I. Mobile Food Facilities	
Class I-1. Mobile Food Facility 1	<u>\$</u> 181
Class I-2. Mobile Food Facility 2	<u>\$</u> 271
Class I-3. Mobile Food Facility 3	<u>\$</u> 181
Class I-4. Mobile Food Facility 4	<u>\$</u> 724
Class I-5. Mobile Food Facility 5	<u>\$</u> 724
Class J. Stadium concession	<u>\$</u> 625
Class K. Vending machines	<u>\$</u> 177
Class L. Bed and breakfast establishment	<u>\$</u> 999

Class M. Boarding house	<u>\$</u> 241
Class N. Private school cafeterias.	<u>\$</u> 294
Class O. Hospital kitchen, with food service to the general public and staff only	<u>\$</u> 940
Class P. Licensed Health Care Facility	<u>\$</u> 1,050
Class Q. Caterer	<u>\$</u> 350

The license fees prescribed in this Section are due and payable on an annual basis each year on April 1. Fees for new licenses issued prior to, or after July 1st, shall be provided on a monthly basis. set forth above shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

- (b) **Exemptions.** The following establishments are exempt from paying the fees required by this Section:
- (1) Food preparation and service establishments used exclusively by day care facilities for children are exempt from paying the fees required by this Section.

For the purpose of this subsection, a "day care facility for children" shall mean a "community care facility" licensed pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 3, Division 2 of the California Health and Safety Code (commencing at Section 1500) which provides nonmedical care to children in need of personal services, supervision, or assistance essential for sustaining the activities of daily living or for the protection of the individual on less than a 24-hour basis, or a "family day care home for children" licensed pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 3.6, Division 2 of the California Health and Safety Code (commencing at Section 1597.50).

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- (2) Food preparation and service establishments funded through the San Francisco Commission on Aging for nutrition projects for older individuals.
- (c) Beginning with fiscal year 2010-2011 and annually thereafter, the fees set forth in this section may be adjusted each year, without further action by the Board of Supervisors, as set forth in this subsection. Not later than April 1, the Director shall report to the Controller the revenues generated by the fees for the prior fiscal year and the prior fiscal year's costs of operation, as well as any other information that the Controller determines appropriate to the performance of the duties set forth in this Article. Not later than May 15, the Controller shall determine whether the current fees have produced or are projected to produce revenues sufficient to support the costs of providing the services for which the fee is assessed and that the fees will not produce revenue that is significantly more than the costs of providing the services for which the fee is assessed. The Controller shall, if necessary, adjust the fees upward or downward for the upcoming fiscal year as appropriate to ensure that the program recovers the costs of operation without producing revenue that is significantly more than such costs. The adjusted rates shall become operative on July 1.

SEC. 249.5. PET SHOPS, DOG KENNELS, HOSPITALS FOR SICK ANIMALS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of operating a pet shop or hospital for sick animals that requires a permit from the Health Department shall pay an annual *permitlicense* fee of \$108 to the Tax Collector.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of operating a dog kennel that requires a permit from the Health Department shall pay an annual *permitlicense* fee of \$108 to the Tax Collector, in addition to the fee prescribed in Section 221 of Part III of this Code.

The permit fees prescribed by this Section are due and payable on an annual basis commencing October 1, 1978. Fees for new permits issued prior to or after October 1, 1978, or in any subsequent year, shall be prorated to October 1st on a monthly basis. The license fees set forth above shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 249.6. VEHICLES FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF REFUSE AND ADJUDICATION OF RATE DISPUTES.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in operating a vehicle for transportation of refuse or garbage that requires a permit from the Health Department shall pay an annual license fee to the Tax Collector as follows:

- (a) Garbage truck, \$3,268.00 for each vehicle.
- (b) Swill trucks, \$78 for each vehicle.

The license fees prescribed by this Section are due and payable on an annual basis. Fees for new licenses issued prior to or after January 1st, or in any subsequent calendar year, shall be prorated to January 1st on a monthly basis. The license fee set forth above shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

The fees prescribed by this Section are for the purpose of reimbursing the City and County of San Francisco for costs incurred in the implementation of the Mandatory Refuse Collection Program, the inspection and licensing of refuse vehicles and the adjudication of refuse collection rate disputes.

SEC. 249.7. SWIMMING POOLS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in operating a swimming pool on a yearround basis that requires a permit from the Health Department shall pay an annual license fee

of \$274 to the Tax Collector. Swimming pools that require a permit from the Health Department which operate less than six months per year shall pay an annual license fee of \$235 per year to the Tax Collector.

The license fee shall be due and payable annually in advance on the first day of October of each year. Fees for licenses issued prior to or after October 1st, shall be prorated on a monthly basis. The license fees set forth above shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

License fees paid hereunder shall not be refundable because of revocation of license, discontinuance of operation or sale or transfer of the swimming pool.

SEC. 249.12. FOOD VENDING MACHINES.

- (a) Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of operating food vending machines shall pay a fee of \$177. Said fee is due and payable on an annual basis starting October 1st. The license fee set forth above shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.
- (b) In addition to the fee prescribed in Subsection (a) of this Section every permittee shall pay an annual fee of \$5 for each vending machine operated in said business. The fee prescribed herein shall not be prorated.
- (c) The fee prescribed in Subsection (b) of this Section shall be credited to the fee payable in Subsection (a) but said credit shall not exceed \$60.

SEC. 249.13. WELLS AND WELL WATER.

(a) Every person, firm or corporation engaged in operating wells that require a permit from the San Francisco Department of Public Health shall pay an annual permit fee of

\$47 to the Tax Collector. For the purpose of this Section, the term "well" shall have the same meaning as that in Section 659 or Article 12B of the San Francisco Health Code.

(b) The permit fee shall be due and payable annually in advance on the first day of January of each year. Fees for new permit issued prior to or after January 1st, or in any subsequent calendar year, shall be prorated to January 1st, on a monthly basis. The license fee set forth above shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 249.15. SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION LICENSE FEE.

Every person, firm or corporation operating a solid waste transfer or processing station within the City and County of San Francisco shall pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee beginning July 1, 1992 and each year thereafter on July 1st as follows. The license fees set forth in this Section shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

- (a) Large Quantity Transfer Station. Any solid waste facility handling in excess of 250,000 tons of solid waste per year: \$30,000.
- (b) Medium Quantity Transfer Station. Any solid waste facility handling between 10,000 and 249,999 tons of solid waste per year: \$10,000.
- (c) Small Quantity Transfer Station. Any solid waste facility handling less than 10,000 tons of solid waste per year: \$1,000.
- (d) For purposes of Section 35 and this Section 249.15 of Article, the terms "transfer or processing station," "transportation," "solid waste," "solid waste facility," and "handling" shall be defined as set forth in Sections 40191, 40194, 40195 and 40200 of the California Public Resources Code, which Sections are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

SEC. 249.16. TOBACCO SALES *PERMITLICENSE* FEE.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in tobacco sales shall pay an annual permitlicense fee of \$188 to the Tax Collector. <u>The license fee set forth in this Section shall be paid</u> annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and <u>Tax Regulations Code</u>.

Section 3. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section 113.21 to read as follows:

SEC. 113.21 [For SF] Fee-setting procedure [FOR SF] FEE-SETTING PROCEDURE.

Each year the Chief of the Department shall report the revenues received from each type of fee collected by the Fire Department, the costs, both direct and indirect, incurred in providing the services for which the fee is assessed, the anticipated costs for the ensuing fiscal year and the rates which would be necessary to support such cost for each type of fee. The Chief shall file the report with the Controller not later than April 1st of each year under the provisions of the San Francisco Administrative Code. The Controller shall file the report with the Board of Supervisors no later than May 15th of each year. The Board of Supervisors shall, by ordinance, establish or adjust the rates for any Fire Department fees. The rates set shall be equal to, but not greater than, the rates necessary to support the costs of providing the services for which each fee is assessed. The amount of the license fee for the Fire Department permit for the 2011-2012 fiscal year shall be as set forth in the Business and Tax Regulations Code Section 75 et seq., and such amount shall be reviewed annually and adjusted by the Controller commencing with the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

TABLE 113-A - OPERATIONAL PERMIT FEES

TYPE OF PERMIT	FEE
Aerosol Products, Regulated Activities	\$330.00

Amusement Buildings, Operation	\$330.00
Aviation Facilities, Regulated Activities	\$330.00
Aviation Facilities, Aircraft Refueling Vehicle	\$330.00
Battery System, Operation	\$330.00
Carnivals and Fairs, Operation	\$330.00
Cellulose Nitrate Film, Regulated Activities	\$330.00
Combustible Dust-Producing Operations	\$330.00
Combustible Fiber, Regulated Activities	\$330.00
Combustible Material, Regulated Activities	\$330.00
Compressed Gas, Regulated Activities	\$330.00
Conditional Use	\$90.00
Covered Mall Buildings, Operation	\$330.00
Cryogenic Fluids, Regulated Activities	\$330.00
Dry Cleaning Plant, Operation	\$330.00
Exhibits and Trade Shows, Operation	\$330.00
Explosives, Regulated Activities	\$330.00
Fireworks, Display	\$330.00
Firefighter Air Systems, Maintenance	\$330.00
Flammable and Combustible Finishes,	\$330.00

Application of (Including Floor Finishes)	
Flammable or Combustible Liquids,	\$330.00
Regulated Activities	
Fruit and Crop Ripening	\$330.00
Fumigation and Thermal Insecticidal Fogging	\$330.00
Hazardous Materials, Regulated Activities	\$330.00
Hazardous Production Material (HPM)	\$330.00
Facilities	
High-Piled Storage	\$330.00
Hot Work Operations, Regulated Activities	\$330.00
Industrial Ovens	\$330.00
Liquefied Petroleum Gases, Regulated	\$330.00
Activities	
Live Audience, Production Facility, Studio,	\$330.00
Sound Stage	
Lumberyards and Woodworking Plants	\$330.00
Magnesium Processing	\$330.00
Open Burning	\$330.00
Open Flame and Candles in Assembly Areas	\$330.00
Organic Coating, Manufacturing	\$330.00
	

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TABLE 113-B - PLAN REVIEW FEES

VALUATION	FEE
\$0 \$500	\$59.51
\$500 \$2,000	\$90.49 plus \$18.420 per \$1,000 over \$500
\$2,000 \$25,000	\$118.12 plus \$13.637 per \$1,000 over \$2,000
\$25,000 \$50,000	\$431.78 plus \$9.186 per \$1,000 over \$25,000

\$50,000 \$100,000	\$661.42 plus \$6.138 per \$1,000 over \$50,000
\$100,000 \$500,000	\$968.32 plus \$2.524 per \$1,000 over \$100,000
\$500,000 \$1,000,000	\$1,977.92 plus \$1.413 per \$1,000 over \$500,000
\$1,000,000 \$5,000,000	\$2,684.50 plus \$1.075 per \$1,000 over \$1,000,000
\$5,000,000	\$6,982 plus \$0.542 per \$1,000 over \$5,000,000

NOTATION TO TABLE 113-B:

EVACUATION SIGNAGE: Plan review beyond thirty minutes will be assessed at an hourly rate of \$110.00 per hour.

TABLE 113-C - FIELD INSPECTION FEES (See notation for additional fees)

VALUATION		FEE/INSP. TIME
	<u> </u>	CREDIT
Over	Not More Than	
\$0	\$10,000	\$110.00 ONE HOUR
\$10,000	\$50,000	\$220.00 TWO HOURS
\$50,000	\$500,000	\$330.00 THREE HOURS
\$500,000	\$5,000,000	\$550.00 FIVE HOURS
\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$1100.00 TEN HOURS
\$10,000,000	\$25,000,000	\$2200.00 TWENTY HOURS
\$25,000,000		\$3300.00 THIRTY

	HOURS	
NOTATION TO TABLE 113-C:		
NEW FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS	\$220.00 TWO HOURS	
NEW SPRINKLER SYSTEMS	\$330.00 THREE HOURS	
NEW GASEOUS SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS	\$220.00 TWO HOURS	

This initial minimum inspection fee covers all inspections up to the hours specified above. If the inspections for the new system exceed the hours specified above, additional hourly fees will be assessed.

Section 4. The San Francisco Health Code is hereby amended by amending Sections 258, 1009.54, 1927, and 3318, to read as follows:

SEC. 258. LICENSE FEES.

(a) Upon approval of an application for a permit to engage in the practice of tattooing, the Director of Public Health shall forward the permit therefor to the Tax Collector, who, upon payment of the license fee hereinafter provided shall issue the permit to the designated permittee.

Every person engaged in the business of conducting, managing or operating any establishment for the practice of the art of tattooing shall pay a license fee of \$1,372 per year, or for any portion of a year, payable annually in advance. The Fee shall be due annually on March 31 of each year, pursuant to Section 76.1, Article 2 of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code.

(b) Beginning with fiscal year 2008-2009, the fee set forth in the Section may be adjusted each year, without further action by the Board of Supervisors, as set forth in this Section.

Not later than April 1, the Director shall report to the Controller the revenues generated by the fee for the prior fiscal year and the prior fiscal year's costs of operation, as well as any other information that the Controller determines appropriate to the performance of the duties set forth in this Section.

Not later than May 15, the Controller shall determine whether the current fee has produced or is projected to produce revenues sufficient to support the costs of providing the services for which the fee is assessed and that the fee will not produce revenue which is significantly more than the costs of providing the services for which the fee is assessed.

The Controller shall, if necessary, adjust the fee upward or downward for the upcoming fiscal year as appropriate to ensure that the program recovers the costs of operation without producing revenue which is significantly more than such costs. The adjusted fee shall become operative on July 1.

SEC. 1009.54. FEES FOR PERMIT AND ANNUAL LICENSE FEES.

(a) The Department shall charge every applicant for a tobacco sales permit a non-refundable application fee for the initial inspection and processing of the application and an annual license fee sufficient to cover the costs of annual inspections, as determined by the Director. The application and processing fee shall be \$53 and is otherwise governed by \$5\text{ection}\$ 35 of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code. The annual fee is listed in \$5\text{ection}\$ 249.16 of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code. The Fee shall be due annually on March 31 of each year, pursuant to Section 76.1, Article 2 of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code.

(b) Beginning with fiscal year 2008-2009, fees set forth in this Section and referred to in this Section may be adjusted each year, without further action by the Board of Supervisors, as set forth in this Section.

Not later than April 1, the Director shall report to the Controller the revenues generated by the fees for the prior fiscal year and the prior fiscal year's costs of operation, as well as any other information that the Controller determines appropriate to the performance of the duties set forth in this Section.

Not later than May 15, the Controller shall determine whether the current fees have produced or are projected to produce revenues sufficient to support the costs of providing the services for which the fees are assessed and that the fees will not produce revenue which is significantly more than the costs of providing the services for which the fess are assessed.

The Controller shall, if necessary, adjust the fees upward or downward for the upcoming fiscal year as appropriate to ensure that the program recovers the costs of operation without producing revenue which is significantly more than such costs. The adjusted rates shall become operative on July 1.

SEC. 1927. FEES.

(a) The application fee for a massage practitioner permit, as provided in Section 1902, shall be \$116. The annual license fee for a massage practitioner, as provided in Section 1906, shall be \$86.

(b)(a) The application fee for a massage establishment, as provided in Section 1909, shall be \$394. The annual license fee for a massage establishment, as provided in Section 1920, shall be \$694. The Fee shall be due annually on March 31 of each year, pursuant to Section 76.1, Article 2 of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code.

(e)(b) The application fee for a solo practitioner massage establishment, as provided in Section 1909, shall be \$394. The annual license fee for a solo practitioner massage establishment, as provided in Section 1920, shall be \$464. The Fee shall be due annually on March 31 of each year, pursuant to Section 76.1, Article 2 of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code.

(d)(c) The application fee for an outcall massage services permit, as provided in Section 1909, shall be \$278. The annual license fee for an outcall massage service, as provided in Section 1920, shall be \$231. The Fee shall be due annually on March 31 of each year, pursuant to Section 76.1, Article 2 of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code.

(e)(d) An advanced massage practitioner holding a solo practitioner massage establishment permit shall not be required to pay any additional permit or annual license fee for an outcall massage service permit.

(f)(e) Beginning with fiscal year 2008-2009, fees set forth in this Article may be adjusted each year, without further action by the Board of Supervisors, asset forth in this Section.

Not later than April 1, the Director shall report to the Controller the revenues generated by the fees for the prior fiscal year and the prior fiscal year's costs of operation, as well as any other information that the Controller determines appropriate to the performance of the duties set forth in this Section.

Not later than May 15, the Controller shall determine whether the current fees have produced or are projected to produce revenues sufficient to support the costs of providing the services for which the fees are assessed and that the fees will not produce revenue which is significantly more than the costs of providing the services for which the fees are assessed.

The Controller shall, if necessary, adjust the fees upward or downward for the upcoming fiscal year as appropriate to ensure that the program recovers the costs of operation without producing revenue which is significantly more than such costs. The adjusted rates shall become operative on July 1.

SEC. 3318. BUSINESS LICENSE AND BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE.

- (a) Every medical cannabis dispensary shall be required to obtain a business license from the City in compliance with Article 2 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

 The business license fee shall be due annually on March 31 of each year, pursuant to Section 76.1,

 Article 2 of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code.
- (b) Every medical cannabis dispensary shall be required to obtain a business registration certificate from the City in compliance with Article 12 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

Section 5. The San Francisco Police Code is hereby amended by amending Sections 2.10, 2.16, 43.2., 387, 778, 869.12, 896, 974.23, 1021, 1025, 1032, 1036.10, 1037.2, 1045.2, 1060.1-1, 1070.1-1, 1072.40, 1072.40-1, 1073.17, 1073.17.1, 1074.6, 1074.24, 1209, 1218, 1230, 1238, 1239.2, 1279.1, 1279.2, 1279.3, 1295, 1309, 2626, 2818, 3008, 3062, 3216A, 3217, 3219, 3404, 3405, 3425, 3907, 3908, to read as follows:

SEC. 2.10. ANNUAL RENEWAL.

Except for permits and licenses governed under Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax

Regulations Code, Ppermits issued by the Police Department or Entertainment Commission after the adoption of this ordinance, with the exception of permits issued for temporary operations, shall be valid until the next annual renewal date as provided in this Code or for one year from the date of issuance when there is no annual renewal date, unless revoked

prior to such date. The permit shall be renewed for the ensuing year and each year thereafter upon payment of the annual license fee.

SEC. 2.16. PENALTIES FOR NONPAYMENT OF LICENSE FEES.

All license fees are payable when due, unless otherwise provided, at the eOffice of the Treasurer and Tax Collector, in the City Hall. and For all permits and licenses except those governed under Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code, if a license fee is not paid within 30 days after the same becomes due, the Tax Collector shall add 10 percent to the amount of the stated fee as a penalty for nonpayment. If the license fee is not paid within 60 days after the same becomes due, the Tax Collector shall increase the penalty for nonpayment to 15 percent of the amount of the stated fee. If the license fee is not paid within 90 days after the same becomes due, the Tax Collector shall increase the penalty for nonpayment to 25 percent of the amount of the stated fee, provided however, when a permittee has failed for a period of six months or more to pay a license fee, the Tax Collector shall, in such instance, impose another penalty of 25 percent of the total amount of fee delinquent, including previous penalty charges, to the total amount due for the delinquency payment.

SEC. 43.2. LICENSE FEE.

Upon granting the loudspeaker permit, the Entertainment Commission shall forward the permit to the Tax Collector, if the permit authorizes sound amplification for seven or more days in a calendar year, who shall issue a license upon payment by the applicant of the license fee, payable in advance. The license fee shall be annually paid on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 387. PERMIT REQUIRED; APPLICATION; TERM.

- (a) No person other than an officer of the Police Department, a member of the Fire Department or a person authorized by other applicable laws shall direct or attempt to direct traffic without first obtaining a permit therefor from the Chief of Police, pursuant to this Article.
- (b) Applications for funeral escort permits shall be made on a form provided by the Chief of Police, and shall include: (1) the name and business address of the applicant; (2) proof of indemnification and insurance as required by Section 388 of this Article; (3) proof of satisfactory completion of a traffic safety program of instruction, as set forth in Section 393 of this Article; (4) proof that the applicant holds a valid California vehicle operator's license, properly endorsed for the type of vehicle the applicant intends to use while directing vehicular funeral processions; (5) payment of the necessary application, permit insignia and uniform fees, as set forth in Sections 2.26 and 2.27 of the Police Code; and (6) such other information as the Chief of Police may require.
- (c) The Tax Collector shall issue funeral escort licenses upon payment of an annual license fee, which may be pro rated in the initial year of the license. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code. Except pro rated licenses which may be less than one year, Ffuneral escort licenses shall be issued by the Tax Collector and shall expire one year from the date of issuance unless the permit is revoked sooner. Permits shall be nontransferable.

SEC. 778. LICENSE FEE.

On presentation of a permit to operate a miniature golf course the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to issue a license for said miniature golf course upon payment of the license fee, annually in advance for each fiscal year commencing on the first day of July. The license

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fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 869.12. PEDDLERS, PEDDLER EMPLOYEES, LICENSE FEE.

Every person granted a peddler permit or peddler employee permit to peddle goods, wares or merchandise, or fish, vegetables or fruit, or food products for human consumption, or any other article in any manner, shall pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee, as specified in Section 2.27 of Part II, Chapter VIII of the San Francisco Police Code, payable in advance. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code. In calculating the fees earned herein by the Health Department pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.402 of the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco, a percentage of the license fee shall be credited to said-the Health Department pursuant to the annual determination by the Controller as provided by Section 2.21 of this Code.

SEC. 896. GATHERERS, JUNK.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business or occupation of gathering junk in the City and County of San Francisco and who is not required to pay a license fee under the provisions of Article 13.1 of this Code shall pay an annual license fee, *payable in advance and subject to a monthly pro rata if not applied for on the first day of any calendar year*. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 974.23. LICENSE FEES.

Every person issued a permit pursuant to the provisions of this Article shall pay an annual license fee, *payable in advance* to the Tax Collector. *The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.*

SEC. 1021. BALL OR RING THROWING GAMES.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for a keeper of a ball or ring throwing game to operate said ball or ring throwing game without first having obtained a permit therefor from the Entertainment Commission.
- (b) Applications for ball or ring throwing permits shall be filed with the Entertainment Commission on a form provided for said permit together with a nonrefundable fee.
- (c) Every keeper of a ball or ring throwing game shall pay an annual license fee to the Tax Collector on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code. All licenses issued under the provisions of this Section shall be issued for a period of one year to date from the expiration of the last license or from the date that the applicant shall have commenced business. Provided, however, that no such keeper shall be issued a license under this Section without first obtaining a permit from the Entertainment Commission.

SEC. 1025. LICENSE FEES.

Every person granted a dance hall permit by the Entertainment Commission shall pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee, *payable in advance on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.*

The license fee prescribed in this section is due and payable on a calendar year basis, starting

January 1, 1967. Fees for new licenses issued prior to January 1, 1967, or after the first day of January

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of that year, or in any subsequent calendar year, shall be prorated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis.

The provisions of this Section shall not apply to any dance hall used exclusively for any of the following dances:

- (a) Dances of a bona fide social character, to which admission is limited strictly on invitation of the person acting as host, and for which no fee, either by way of admission or in any other manner, is charged.
- (b) Dances given by any public agency or by any educational, recreational, or social agency, or by any bona fide fraternal, charitable, or religious or benevolent or any other nonprofit organization having a regular membership association primarily for mutual social, mental, political, and civic welfare, to which admission is limited to members and guests, and revenue accruing therefrom to be used exclusively for the benevolent purposes of said organization.
- (c) Dances conducted by any dancing academy or dancing class in which instruction in dancing is given for hire.

SEC. 1032. LICENSE FEES FOR AMUSEMENT PARKS.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of conducting an amusement park shall pay to the Tax Collector of the City and County of San Francisco, an annual license taxfee on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 1036.10. LICENSE FEES.

Every holder of a mechanical amusement device permit shall pay at the office of the Tax Collector for each separate mechanical amusement device which the permit authorizes, an

annual license fee, *payable in advance*, *on or before March 31*, *in accordance with the provisions of*Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 1037.2. LICENSE FEE.

Every person, firm or corporation owning, leasing or maintaining any billiard table, pool table, or combination table, for the use of patrons of any place of business, shall pay an annual license fee to the Tax Collector, *payable in advance*, for the first such table and additional license fee for each additional such table in any such place of business *on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code*.

The permit shall be nontransferable.

The annual license fee prescribed in this Section is due and payable on a calendar year basis starting January 1st of each year. Fees for new permits issued after the first day of January of a particular year shall be prorated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis.

SEC. 1045.2. LICENSE.

Every person, firm or corporation maintaining or conducting any amusement for which a permit is required by Section 1045 of this Article shall pay a license fee <u>on or before</u>

<u>March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.</u>

The Tax Collector shall not issue a license under the provisions of this Section, unless the applicant therefor shall have first obtained from the Entertainment Commission a permit to conduct such amusement.

Such permits shall be issued annually, and may be revoked at any time by the Entertainment Commission, and upon the revocation of such permit such license issued thereon shall immediately terminate and expire.

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SEC. 1060.1-1. LICENSE FEES.

Every person granted a Place of Entertainment Permit or Limited Live Performance Permit by the Entertainment Commission under this Article shall pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee, *payable in advance on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.*

The license fee prescribed in this Section is due and payable on a calendar year basis, starting

January 1st of each year. Fees for new permits issued after the first day of January of a particular year

shall be prorated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis. The amount of the license fee

for the 2005-2006 fiscal year shall be as set forth in Section 2.27 of this Code, and such

amount shall be adjusted for inflation commencing with the 2006-2007 fiscal year, and

annually thereafter, in accordance with Section 2.31 of this Code.

SEC. 1070.1-1. LICENSE FEES.

Every person granted an $e\underline{E}$ xtended $h\underline{H}$ ours $p\underline{P}$ remises $p\underline{P}$ ermit by the Entertainment Commission under this Article shall pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee, payable in advance on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

The license fee prescribed in this Section is due and payable on a calendar year basis, starting

January 1st of each year. Fees for new permits issued after the first day of January of a particular year

shall be prorated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis. The amount of the license fee

for the 2005-2006 fiscal year shall be as set forth in Section 2.27 of this Code, and such

amount shall be adjusted for inflation commencing with the 2006-2007 fiscal year, and

annually thereafter, in accordance with Section 2.31 of this Code.

SEC. 1072.40. LICENSE FEES.

Every permittee who conducts or assists in conducting or permitting any Encounter Studio as defined herein shall pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee payable in advance. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code. The license fee prescribed in this Section is due and payable on a calendar year basis starting 45 days after the effective date of this Article prorated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis. Fees for new licenses issued after the first day of January, 1974 or in any subsequent calendar year shall be prorated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis.

SEC. 1072.40-1. EMPLOYEE LICENSE.

Every person engaged as an employee of an Encounter Studio who requires a permit from the Police Department pursuant to the provisions of Section 1072.3 of this Article shall pay an annual license fee. <u>The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.</u>

SEC. 1073.17. LICENSE FEES.

Every permittee who conducts or assists in conducting or permitting any Public Photography Studio as defined herein shall pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee., payable in advance. The license fee prescribed in this Section is due and payable on a calendar year basis starting 45 days after the effective date of this Article provated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis. Fees for new licenses issued after the first day of January, 1975, or in any subsequent calendar year shall be provated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 1073.17.1. EMPLOYEE LICENSE.

Every person engaged as an employee of a public photography studio who requires a permit from the Police Department pursuant to the provisions of Section 1073.2.1 of this Article shall pay an annual license fee. <u>The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.</u>

SEC. 1074.6. EMPLOYEE PERMIT.

Every person desiring an employee permit shall file an application with the Chief of Police on a form provided by <code>said-the</code> Chief of Police and pay a filing fee which shall not be refundable and shall pay <code>to the Tax Collector</code> a license fee annually, <code>payable in advance</code>. <code>The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section <code>76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code</code>. Every person now working as an escort or employee shall file for a permit within 30 days of the effective date of this Article.</code>

SEC. 1074.24. LICENSE FEES.

Every permittee who conducts or assists in conducting any escort service as defined herein shall pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee annually, payable in advance. The license fee prescribed in this Section is due and payable on a calendar year basis starting 45 days after the effective date of this Article prorated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis. Fees for new licenses issued after the first day of January, 1981, or in any subsequent calendar year shall be prorated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 1209. LICENSE FEE.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of merchandising by public outcry any of the articles listed in Section 1200 of this Article, shall pay an annual license fee, payable in advance from the date of issuance of the permit, to the Tax Collector of the City and County of San Francisco. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code. License fees paid under the provisions of this Section shall not be prorated or refunded. The provisions of Sections 75 to 81, inclusive, of Article 2, Part III of the San Francisco Municipal Code shall apply except as otherwise provided.

SEC. 1218. INVESTIGATION, HEARING AND ISSUANCE OF PERMITS.

The Chief of Police shall investigate all applications and without unnecessary delay shall thereafter hear the application and then grant the application unless he or she finds:

- (a) That any owner, officer or partner of the applicant within four years prior to the date of application, has been convicted of burglary, robbery, theft, receipt of stolen property, breaking or removing parts from a vehicle, malicious mischief to a vehicle, unlawful use or tampering by bailee of a vehicle, altering a vehicle identification, or any offense related to the use of alcohol, narcotics or controlled substances; or
- (b) That any owner, officer or partner of the applicant has intentionally falsified any statement contained in the application; or
- (c) For fixed location permits, that the number of proposed parking spaces is insufficient to ensure that the valet parking operation will not be required to use on-street parking spaces.

Upon granting the fixed location permit or the annual special event permit, the Chief of Police shall forward the permit(s) to the Tax Collector who shall issue a license or licenses

upon payment by the *applicationapplicant* of the license fee(s), as set forth in Section 2.27 of this Code, *payable in advance*. *The license fee for this permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.*

The license(s) shall expire one year from the date of issuance and shall be renewable thereafter upon an annual basis upon the filing with the Tax Collector of a statement by the permittee setting forth its current business address and upon payment of the annual license fee. Licenses shall be renewable upon payment of the annual license fee upon the first day of January of each calendar year.

SEC. 1230. LICENSE FEES.

Every person, as defined in Section 1226 shall pay an annual license fee for each such location as defined in said Section 1226; provided, however, every person who operates a repair garage and grants temporary use of a motor vehicle to a customer without charge, while the motor vehicle belonging to said customer is being repaired or serviced in the repair garage, shall pay an annual license fee. *The license fee shall be paid annually on or before*March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 1238. LICENSE FEES.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of buying, selling, exchanging, storing or dealing in used or secondhand automobiles or motor vehicle equipment, storage batteries, parts of automobiles or automobile accessories, shall pay an annual license fee to the City and County of San Francisco. *The license fee shall be paid* annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 1239.2. LICENSE.

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of buying secondhand automobiles or other vehicles for the exclusive purpose of wrecking the same shall pay an annual license fee, payable annually in advance, and subject to a monthly pro rata if not applied for on the first day of any calendar year. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 1279.1. PERMIT FROM CHIEF OF POLICE; RULES AND REGULATIONS; DEFINITIONS.

Before any person shall engage in the business of secondhand dealer, secondhand jewelry dealer, secondhand clothing dealer, secondhand furniture dealer and household goods dealer, or secondhand book dealer, either exclusively or in conjunction with some other business, that person must <code>make application apply</code> to the Chief of Police for a permit therefor... which said The Chief may grant <code>permission to said the permit application, and the applicant to may receive a license from the Tax Collector upon the payment of the license fee required. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.</code>

Secondhand dealers in tangible personal property, as that term is hereinafter defined, must also obtain a state secondhand dealer license. The Chief of Police shall not issue any permit and the Tax Collector shall not issue any license to any person, firm or corporation to conduct the business of a secondhand furniture and household goods dealer within 200 feet of the property line of any church or school. Such restrictions shall not apply to any secondhand furniture and household goods dealer now conducting business within such distance. Said Chief of Police shall have the power to revoke said permit after hearing upon good cause being shown. The Chief of Police may adopt, after a noticed public hearing, such

rules and regulations regarding secondhand dealers as will effectuate the purposes of this Article and are not in conflict therewith. Said rules and regulations shall become effective 10 days after adoption by the Chief of Police.

"Tangible personal property" is defined as set forth in the California Business and Professions Code sections governing secondhand dealers, and shall include all personal property commonly sold by secondhand dealers which is determined by the Attorney General to be frequently stolen and is contained in that list of such personal property which is compiled and periodically revised by the Attorney General and supplied to local law enforcement agencies. The Chief of Police may by rule or regulation amend the Attorney General's list to include additional items which the Chief has determined to be frequently stolen in the City and County. Such additional items shall thereafter be considered tangible personal property for purposes of this Article.

SEC. 1279.2. ANTIQUE SHOPS; DEFINITION; PERMIT.

(a) **Definition.** As used in this Article:

"Antique Shop" means a shop where secondhand merchandise is sold at retail but where at least 90 percent, measured according to value, of the used or secondhand merchandise on hand at any one time consists of objects of art, bric-a-brac, curios or household furniture or furnishings, offered for sale upon the basis, express or implied, that the value of the property, in whole or in substantial part, is derived from its age or from its historical association.

(b) **Permit Required.** The operator of any antique shop may, in lieu of the secondhand dealer's permit required by Section 1279.1 hereof, apply for and obtain a special permit from the Chief of Police to conduct an antique shop. *The license fee for an antique shop permit shall be*

paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

(c) Compliance with Provisions of Code. The holder of an antique shop permit shall comply with all the provisions of this Article pertaining to secondhand dealers.

SEC. 1279.3. TRADE-IN DEALERS; DEFINITION; PERMIT.

(a) **Definition:** As used in this Article:

"Trade-In Dealer" means a person who shall as his direct business activity engage in the sale of new items of goods, wares, merchandise or articles of any description and who during the course of the sale of said new items shall take in trade a used item but does not in said business activity engage in the purchase of used items of goods, wares, merchandise or articles of any description. Said "Trade-In Dealer" shall be of the following kind:

- (1) Furniture and household goods;
- (2) Radio and television and other electronic equipment;
- (3) General.
- (b) **Permit Required.** A "Trade-In Dealer" may, in lieu of the secondhand dealer's permit required by Section 1279.1 hereof, apply for and obtain a special permit from the Chief of Police to conduct a trade-in dealership in conjunction with his new sale operation. <u>The license fee for a "Trade-In Dealer" permit shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.</u>
- (c) Compliance with Provisions of Code. The holder of a trade-in permit shall comply with all the provisions of this Article pertaining to secondhand dealers.

SEC. 1295. GUIDES.

- (a) No person shall for hire, guide or escort people through or about the City and County of San Francisco or any part thereof, unless he shall have paid a license fee in advance; provided, however, that no license shall be issued hereunder unless the applicant therefore shall first have obtained a written permit from the Chief of Police authorizing him to act as such guide. *The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.*
- (b) Every person desiring a permit pursuant to this Section shall file an application with the Chief of Police upon a form provided by said Chief of Police and shall pay a filing fee.
- (c) Every licensed guide, while soliciting employment or acting as guide, shall wear conspicuously exposed on the outside lapel of his coat a badge, showing thereof his number and the words LICENSED GUIDE. The design, size and arrangement of numbering and lettering thereof shall be fixed by the Tax Collector, but shall be uniform. The badges shall be furnished by the Tax Collector at a cost fixed by the Tax Collector to cover the cost of issuing such badge, and shall be issued at the date of the issuance of the license herein provided for. Only one badge shall be issued to each licensed guide.
- (d) The provisions of this Section shall not apply to nonprofit organizations guiding or escorting people through or about the City and County of San Francisco as part of an educational program, or to individuals guiding or escorting people through or about the City and County of San Francisco as part of an educational program sponsored by a nonprofit organization. Upon request of the Police Department, a nonprofit organization claiming exemption under this subsection shall provide verification in a form acceptable to the Chief of Police of (1) its nonprofit organization status, and (2) the educational program of which the tour is a component.

SEC. 1309. LICENSE FEES.

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SEC. 2626. LICENSE FEES.

Every permittee who conducts, permits or assists in conducting or permitting any public bath house as defined herein shall pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee, payable in advance. *The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.* In calculating the fees earned herein, a percentage of the license fee as set by the Controller pursuant to Section 2.21 of this Code shall be credited to the Department of Public Health pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.402 of the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco. *The license fee prescribed in this Section is due and payable on a calendar year basis starting 30 days after the first day of January, 1973, and in any subsequent calendar year shall be prorated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis.*

SEC. 2818. LICENSE FEES.

Every person who has received a permit to operate the business of pawnbroking shall, on the first day of January each year, pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee payable in advance. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

The license fee prescribed in this Section is due and payable on a calendar year basis starting 90 days after the effective date of this Article, prorated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis.

Fees for new licenses issued after the first day of August, 1973, or in any subsequent calendar year shall be prorated on a monthly basis.

No permit or license shall be initially issued pursuant to this Article after October 19, 1972, unless the revenue fee, as provided in Section 2.29 of this Code, shall have been paid to the Tax Collector.

SEC. 3008. PERMIT EXPIRATION.

The permit shall expire one year from the date of issuance and shall be renewable thereafter upon an annual basis upon the filing with the Tax Collector of a statement by the permittee providing his or her current address and current employer and upon payment of the annual license fee. Beginning January 1, 1982, permits shall be renewable upon payment of the annual license fee on a calendar year basis, that is, upon the first day of January of each calendar year. The transition from renewal on an annual basis to renewal on a calendar year basis shall be accompanied as follows. When the renewal date for a permit arises in 1982, the permittee shall pay a license fee prorated to the length of time remaining in calendar year 1982 on a monthly basis. All permits shall then be renewable, on a calendar year basis, as of January 1, 1983. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 3062. PERMIT EXPIRATION.

The permit shall expire one year from the date of issuance, and shall be renewable thereafter upon an annual basis, and upon payment of the annual license fee. *The license fee*

shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 3216A. ANNUAL LICENSE.

Each organization proposing to conduct poker games pursuant to this Article shall obtain an annual license. *The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.*

The fee for an annual license shall be in the amount set forth in Section 2.27 of the Police Code, payable in advance to the Tax Collector.

The license fee prescribed in this Section is due and payable on a calendar year basis, starting January 1st. Fees for a new license issued prior to January 1st, or after the first day of January, or in any subsequent calendar year, shall be prorated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis.

Nonprofit charitable organizations that are duly certified to be senior citizen organizations by the Commission on the Aging of the City and County of San Francisco shall not be required to pay those fees established by Sections 3203A, 3208A and 3216A of this Article.

SEC. 3217. LICENSE FEES.

Every organization granted a bingo game permit by the Chief of Police shall obtain either a special license or an annual license by paying the required license fee to the Tax Collector. <u>The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.</u>

SEC. 3219. ANNUAL LICENSE.

Each organization proposing to conduct more than 10 bingo games a year shall obtain an annual license. <u>The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31</u>, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

The fee for an annual license shall be payable in advance. The license fee prescribed in this

Section is due and payable on a calendar year basis, starting January 1st. Fees for a new license issued

prior to January 1st, or after the first day of January, or in any subsequent calendar year, shall be

prorated with regard to the calendar year on a monthly basis.

Any amount paid as a filing fee by the organization pursuant to Section 3203 shall be credited against the fees prescribed in the second paragraph of this Section.

SEC. 3404. LICENSE.

When any permit is issued under the provisions of Sections 3400 to 3408, the Chief of Police shall cause said permit to be forwarded to the θO ffice of the θO from the permittee upon the payment of the license θO from the license

SEC. 3405. LICENSE FEETAX.

Every holder of a permit as herein provided shall pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee. The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

License fees paid under the provisions of this Section shall not be prorated or refunded.

The licensee shall issue to each solicitor employed a badge of such wording, design and material as the Chief of Police shall authorize. Said badge shall be worn on the person by the solicitor for whom it was issued, in a conspicuous place for the public to see, at all times

when said person is engaged in taking such photographs or soliciting the same. It shall be unlawful for any other person to wear or otherwise display said badge.

SEC. 3425. LICENSE FEE.

Every photographic solicitor shall pay a license fee for each such designated address and, in addition thereto, a license fee for each and every person engaged, employed or hired by said person, firm or corporation to solicit such business in any public street, alley, park or other public place. *The license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.*

SEC. 3907. PRESENTATION OF PERMIT TO TAX COLLECTOR-LICENSE FEES.

Upon the granting of a permit, as hereinabove provided, the Police Department shall forward the permit to the Tax Collector, who shall furnish the permittee with the following:

- (a) Owner/Lessee:
 - (1) Permit
 - (2) License
 - (3) Permit Plate
- (b) **Operator:**
 - (1) Permit
 - (2) License
 - (3) Operator's Badge
 - (4) Identification Card

Each permittee is required to pay a license fee to the Tax Collector as set forth in Section 2.27 of this Code, and must pay the cost of such badge, card and plate as are issued. <u>The</u>

license fee shall be paid annually on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

SEC. 3908. PEDICAB LICENSE, PLATE, IDENTIFICATION CARD AND OPERATOR'S BADGE.

All pedicab licenses, metal plates and identification cards issued under the provisions of Section 3907 of this Article shall date from the first day of <code>January April</code> of each year and shall be issued for one year from the aforesaid date; provided, however, that when service is first initiated, the license will be issued <code>through the upcoming March 31 for the remaining portion of the calendar year in which it is authorized</code> and only subsequent licenses will date from the first day of <code>January April</code> for each succeeding year.

Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days from the date of passage.

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative, Business and Tax, Fire, Health, and Police Codes – Business License Fees]

Ordinance amending various sections of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code, Administrative Code, Fire Code, Health Code, and Police Code to 1) establish March 31 as the date for the annual renewal of certain business licenses; 2) apply a schedule of penalties for failure to timely renew certain business licenses; and 3) require Departments to post current business license fees on their website.

Existing Law

Under current law, annual license fees are due and payable either on the first day of January, April, July or October. In addition, licenses are provided by location. As a result, a licensee may receive several bills during the year, for various activities involved in conducting a single business. If the licensee owns more than one business or facility, he/she will receive numerous bills at each location at various times during the year.

A "permit" is the one-time authorization to perform an act or conduct a business activity. A "license" is an annual renewal of the permit. Currently, the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector bills and collects fees for some, but not all, license renewals based on information from regulatory departments. The departments that issue the permits collect other license fees.

Amendments to Current Law

This ordinance establishes March 31 as the due date for all license fees collected by the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector. The license fees subject to this ordinance are found in the Business and Tax Regulations Code, Administrative Code, Fire Code, Health Code, and Police Code. This ordinance does not create new fees.

The proposed changes will facilitate the administration of annual license renewals by establishing one mailing address based on licensee, rather than location, and establishing one billing period per year, so that one payment may be submitted for multiple licenses and/or multiple locations operated by a single licensee. The ordinance also clarifies the manner that penalties apply to delinquent accounts, without changing the amount of the penalties. It notifies licensees that the license fee may be adjusted for cost increases and requires departments to post the current amount of the fees that they administer on their websites. In addition, the ordinance updates outdated licensing provisions.

Background Information

The City regulates local business practices that impact the general welfare by issuing permits and requiring annual license renewals. Annual license fees allow the City to recover the cost of the inspections and verifications conducted by the various permitting departments.

The Business and Tax Regulations Code includes Article 1: Permit Procedures and Article 2: License Fees. However, regulations for permits and licenses are found in the Administrative Code, Fire Code, Health Code, and Police Code. The Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector is responsible for billing and collecting most of the license fees authorized in the City's codes.

Currently, a single licensee with multiple locations and permitted uses receives several bills; one for each location and use. For example, a gas station with only one facility may receive bills for fuel tanks, gas distribution, candy and snack sales and tobacco product sales. Each of these licenses expires and renewal fees are due on a different month of the year.

The proposed amendment will enable the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector to issue a consolidated bill to each licensee. A consolidated license bill will facilitate administrative verification that licensees have complied with all City ordinances and that their licenses are current. The proposed amendments and accompanying administrative changes will result in easier compliance for licensees and enhanced enforcement for the City. Better management of delinquent accounts should increase fee collections.