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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Katy Tang, Director, Office of Small Business  
**Small Business Commission, City Hall, Room 448**

FROM: Brent Jalipa, Assistant Clerk  
Budget and Appropriations committee

DATE: June 3, 2024

SUBJECT: REFERRAL FROM BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
Budget and Appropriations committee

The Board of Supervisors' Budget and Appropriations committee has received the following legislation, introduced by Mayor London Breed on June 1, 2024, which is being referred to the Small Business Commission for comment and recommendation.

**File No. 240598**

**Ordinance amending the Police Code to adjust to current amounts the license fees for Billiard Parlor, Dance Hall Keeper, Extended Hours Premises, Fixed Place Outdoor Amplified Sound, Limited Live Performance, Mechanical Amusement Device, and Place of Entertainment permits.**

Please return this cover sheet with the Commission's response to Brent Jalipa, Budget and Finance Clerk, by email to: [brent.jalipa@sfgov.org](mailto:brent.jalipa@sfgov.org).

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**RESPONSE FROM SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION - Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **No Comment**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Recommendation Attached**

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**Chairperson, Small Business Commission**

1 [Police Code - Entertainment License Fee Updates]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Police Code to adjust to current amounts the license fees for**  
 4 **Billiard Parlor, Dance Hall Keeper, Extended Hours Premises, Fixed Place Outdoor**  
 5 **Amplified Sound, Limited Live Performance, Mechanical Amusement Device, and Place**  
 6 **of Entertainment permits.**

7 NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.  
 8 **Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.  
 9 **Deletions to Codes** are in *strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*.  
 10 **Board amendment additions** are in double-underlined Arial font.  
 11 **Board amendment deletions** are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.  
 12 **Asterisks (\* \* \* \*)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code  
 13 subsections or parts of tables.

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

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16 Section 1. Articles 1, 15, 15.1, and 15.2 of the Police Code are hereby amended by  
 17 revising Sections 2.27, 1025, 1036.8, 1037.2, 1060.1.1, and 1070.1-1, to read as follows:

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19 **SEC. 2.27. SCHEDULE OF LICENSE FEES FOR PERMITS ISSUED BY THE POLICE**  
 20 **DEPARTMENT OR ENTERTAINMENT COMMISSION.**

21 The following license fees are payable to the Tax Collector for permits issued by the Police  
 22 Department or Entertainment Commission and, when applicable, for their renewal, except as  
 23 provided in Section 1060.1.1 of the Police Code, as may be amended from time to time:

24 Note: All license fees are at an annual rate unless otherwise indicated.

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TYPE OF PERMIT	LICENSE FEE
* * * *	* * * *
Billiard Parlor – First Table	<del>159</del> 268
Billiard Parlor – Each Additional Table	14

1	Dance Hall Keeper	448 756
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2	Extended Hours Permit	531 896
3	Fixed Place Outdoor Amplified Sound	274 345
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4	Limited Live Performance	157 265
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5	Mechanical Amusement Devices – First Machine	301 508
6	Mechanical Amusement Devices – Each Additional Machine	0
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8	Place of Entertainment	511 863
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10 **SEC. 1025. LICENSE FEES.**

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

14 (b) The amount of the license fee for the 2024-2025 fiscal year shall be as set forth in Section  
 15 2.27 of this Code, and such amount shall be adjusted for inflation commencing with the 2025-2026  
 16 fiscal year, and annually thereafter, in accordance with Section 2.31 of this Code.

17 (c) The provisions of ~~this~~ Section 1022-1026 shall not apply to any dance hall used  
 18 exclusively for any of the following dances:

19 (1~~a~~) Dances of a bona fide social character, to which admission is limited strictly on  
 20 invitation of the person acting as host, and for which no fee, either by way of admission or in  
 21 any other manner, is charged.

22 (2~~b~~) Dances given by any public agency or by any educational, recreational, or  
 23 social agency, or by any bona fide fraternal, charitable, or religious or benevolent or any other  
 24 nonprofit organization having a regular membership association primarily for mutual social,  
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1 mental, political, and civic welfare, to which admission is limited to members and guests, and  
2 revenue accruing therefrom to be used exclusively for the benevolent purposes of said  
3 organization.

4 (3e) Dances conducted by any dancing academy or dancing class in which instruction  
5 in dancing is given for hire.

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7 **SEC. 1036.8. LICENSE FEES.**

8 (a) Every holder of a mechanical amusement device permit shall pay the Tax Collector for  
9 each Arcade or Ancillary Use that the permit authorizes, an annual license fee, on or before  
10 March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax  
11 Regulations Code.

12 (b) The amount of the license fee for the 2024-2025 fiscal year shall be as set forth in Section 2.27 of  
13 this Code, and such amount shall be adjusted for inflation commencing with the 2025-2026 fiscal year,  
14 and annually thereafter, in accordance with Section 2.31 of this Code.

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16 **SEC. 1037.2. LICENSE FEE.**

17 (a) Every person, firm, or corporation owning, leasing, or maintaining any billiard table, pool  
18 table, or combination table, for the use of patrons of any place of business, shall pay an  
19 annual license fee to the Tax Collector for the first such table and additional license fee for  
20 each additional such table in any such place of business on or before March 31, in  
21 accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.  
22 The permit shall be nontransferable.

23 (b) The amount of the license fee for the 2024-2025 fiscal year shall be as set forth in Section 2.27 of  
24 this Code, and such amount shall be adjusted for inflation commencing with the 2025-2026 fiscal year,  
25 and annually thereafter, in accordance with Section 2.31 of this Code.

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**SEC. 1060.1.1. LICENSE FEES.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Section 1060.1.1, every person granted a Place of Entertainment Permit, Limited Live Performance Permit, or Fixed Place Outdoor Amplified Sound Permit by the Entertainment Commission shall pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

(b) The amount of the license fee for the ~~2005-2006~~2024-2025 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~~2025-2026 fiscal year, and annually thereafter, in accordance with Section 2.31 of this Code.

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**SEC. 1070.1-1. LICENSE FEES.**

(a) Every person granted an Extended Hours Premises Permit by the Entertainment Commission under this Article 15.2 shall pay to the Tax Collector an annual license fee on or before March 31, in accordance with the provisions of Section 76.1 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code.

(b) The amount of the license fee for the ~~2005-2006~~2024-2025 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~~2025-2026 fiscal year, and annually thereafter, in accordance with Section 2.31 of this Code.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the

1 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board  
2 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

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4 Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors  
5 intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles,  
6 numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal  
7 Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment  
8 additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under  
9 the official title of the ordinance.

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11 APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
12 DAVID CHIU, City Attorney

13 By: */s/ Sarah Crowley*  
14 SARAH CROWLEY  
15 Deputy City Attorney

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## LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Police Code - Entertainment License Fee Updates]

**Ordinance amending the Police Code to adjust to current amounts the license fees for Billiard Parlor, Dance Hall Keeper, Extended Hours Premises, Fixed Place Outdoor Amplified Sound, Limited Live Performance, Mechanical Amusement Device, and Place of Entertainment permits.**

### Existing Law

**The Police Code currently sets the following fees:**

- Billiard Parlor license fee: \$159
- Dance Hall Keeper license fee: \$448
- Extended Hours Premises license fee: \$531
- Fixed Place Outdoor Amplified Sound license fee: \$274
- Limited Live Performance license fee: \$157
- Mechanical Amusement Device license fee: \$301
- Place of Entertainment license fee: \$511

### Amendments to Current Law

**This ordinance would amend the Police Code to increase the fees to the following amounts in FY24-25, based on updated cost recovery calculations:**

- Billiard Parlor license fee: \$268
- Dance Hall Keeper license fee: \$756
- Extended Hours Premises license fee: \$896
- Fixed Place Outdoor Amplified Sound license fee: \$345
- Limited Live Performance license fee: \$265
- Mechanical Amusement Device license fee: \$508
- Place of Entertainment license fee: \$863

### Background Information

The Police Code currently lists license fees for the above-listed permits at FY 2005-2006 levels. The amounts actually being charged in FY 2023-2024, based on annual inflation adjustments since FY 2005-2006, are as follows:

- Billiard Parlor license fee: \$225
- Dance Hall Keeper license fee: \$634

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- Extended Hours Premises license fee: \$752
- Fixed Place Outdoor Amplified Sound license fee: \$289
- Limited Live Performance license fee: \$222
- Mechanical Amusement Device license fee: \$426
- Place of Entertainment license fee: \$724

This ordinance would increase the license fee amounts to align with current cost recovery calculations.

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