

ORDINANCE NO. 493

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH PLAINS, OREGON, AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE TO MODIFY TERMS OF DURATION OF THE CITY BUSINESS LICENSE

WHEREAS, the City of North Plains is a growing city with new businesses opening at different times of the year and are required to apply for a City business license and pay a business license fee also at all times of the calendar year; and

WHEREAS, by current North Plains Municipal Code Section 110.08, businesses are restricted to mandatory 12-month business license terms beginning January 1 and ending on December 31 of each year, which in turn requires a complicated process of prorated, quarterly City new business licenses until January 1 of the following year; and

WHEREAS, the existing requirements of North Plains Municipal Code Section 110.08 predate technology that enable electronic City business license application, fee payment, and license award that the City of North Plains plans to implement to better serve new and existing businesses; and

WHEREAS, on January 2, 2024, City Council held a discussion with staff about the City Business License Fee and a proposed implementation of an online, self-service platform that would be enabled for businesses to apply for or renew a business license at any time of the calendar year, and City Council agreed by consensus that modifications to North Plains Municipal Code Section 110.08 were in order.

Now, therefore:

THE CITY OF NORTH PLAINS ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The North Plains Municipal Code Section 110.08 shall be amended to as stated on Exhibit A.
- Section 2. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstances is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remainder of this Ordinance or the application of the provisions to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.
- Section 3. This Ordinance shall become effective on the 30th day after its adoption.

ADOPTED by the North Plains City Council this 5th day of February 2024.

CITY OF NORTH PLAINS, OREGON

By: _____
Teri Lenahan, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
Lori Lesmeister, City Recorder



§ 110.08 LICENSE YEAR AND PAYMENT.

- (A) A business license is effective on the date of its issuance.
 - (B) The business license fee shall be due and payable on the date of the issuance of the business license and on that date each year thereafter.
 - (C) A quarterly business license may be obtained to cover the period during which a seasonal business license operates and will be assessed as one-fourth of a one-year business license. A maximum of two quarterly business licenses may be obtained during the course of a calendar year before a one-year business license will be required.
 - (D) A business license fee is delinquent 30 days after it is due.
 - (E) Business license fees, annual or quarterly for seasonal operations, are neither refundable nor prorated.
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