

TITLE 9

BUSINESS, PEDDLERS, SOLICITORS, ETC.¹

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CHAPTER 1

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION

- 9-101. "Going out of business" sales.
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9-101. "Going out of business" sales. It shall be unlawful for any person to falsely represent a sale as being a "going out of business" sale. A "going out of business" sale, for the purposes of this section, shall be a "fire sale," "bankrupt sale," "loss of lease sale," or any other sale made in anticipation of the termination of a business at its present location. When any person, after advertising a "going out of business" sale, adds to his stock or fails to go out of business within ninety (90) days he shall prima facie be deemed to have violated this section. (1978 Code, § 5-101)

9-102. Food truck mobile concession stand regulations.

(1) Each vendor, who desires to operate within the corporate limits of the Town of White Pine, a food truck, or mobile concession stand with any cooking equipment shall obtain a permit and pay a filling fee, provided said

¹Municipal code references

Building, plumbing, wiring and housing regulations: title 12.

Junkyards: title 13.

Liquor and beer regulations: title 8.

Noise reductions: title 11.

Zoning: title 14.

vendor is not a 501(c)(3) organization as designated by the Internal Revenue Service. There shall be no filling fee paid by such vendor who is a 501(c)(3) although they are required to obtain a permit from town hall.

(2) There are three (3) types of permits:

(a) One (1) day only for up to twelve (12) consecutive hours: \$25.00

(b) One (1) year permit good for one (1) day per week up to twelve (12) consecutive hours per day. Vendor must choose day of week permit is to be used upon purchase of permit: \$100.00

(c) One (1) year permit good for up to three (3) days per week and up to twelve (12) consecutive hours per day. Vendor must choose the days per week when purchasing permit: \$300.00

(3) Any food truck or mobile concession stand shall park on private property and have in their possession a signed letter of permission from the owner granting vendor permission to operate on their property. This letter shall be no older than twelve (12) months from the date of operation.

(4) During town approved festivals and/or events, a food truck shall only set up with the consent of the mayor and the festival coordinator.

(5) At no time shall any vendor herein authorized be permitted to operate or be situated on any sidewalk of the town.

(6) No vendor hereunder shall operate within the town unless all signage for the same is attached to the vehicle and said vehicle or vehicle signage shall not contain flashing lights. Said vendor shall also be prohibited from using amplified sound with its operation.

(7) Each vendor hereunder shall keep the area around its location clear of trash and debris. Vendor shall contain on board at all times any waste liquids generated by its operator, e.g. oils, wash water, etc.

(8) In the event a vendor utilizes electrical service, the same shall be in accordance with all current regulations of the state and town and subject to approval by the building inspector for the town.

(9) All vendors hereunder shall be free standing and not use stakes, rods, or any support method which must be drilled or driven into asphalt, pavement, sidewalks or buildings.

(10) There shall be a limit of two (2) the number of vendors hereunder which may operate at anytime on any tract of private property.

(11) The town permit must be displayed so that it can easily be viewed.

(12) If a permit holder has obtained a yearly permit and would like to increase to three (3) days, the vendor can pay the additional fees and follow the guidelines for the three hundred dollar (\$300.00) permit. (as added by Ord. #11-19, Dec. 2019 **Ch14_6-16-20**, amended by Ord. #5-21, June 2021 **Ch15_11-07-23**, and replaced by Ord. #2-22, April 2022 **Ch15_11-07-23**)

CHAPTER 2

PEDDLERS, ETC.¹

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9-201. Definitions. Unless otherwise expressly stated, whenever used in this chapter, the following words shall have the meaning given to them in this section:

(1) "Peddler" means any person, firm or corporation, either a resident or a nonresident of the town, who has no permanent regular place of business and who goes from dwelling to dwelling, business to business, place to place, or from street to street, carrying or transporting goods, wares or merchandise and offering or exposing the same for sale.

(2) "Solicitor" means any person, firm or corporation who goes from dwelling to dwelling, business to business, place to place, or from street to street, taking or attempting to take orders for any goods, wares or merchandise, or personal property of any nature whatever for future delivery, except that the term shall not include solicitors for charitable and religious purposes and solicitors for subscriptions as those terms are defined below.

(3) "Solicitor for charitable or religious purposes" means any person, firm, corporation or organization who or which solicits contributions from the public, either on the streets of the town or from door to door, business to business, place to place, or from street to street, for any charitable or religious organization, and who does not sell or offer to sell any single item at a cost to the purchaser in excess of ten dollars (\$10.00). No organization shall qualify as a "charitable" or "religious" organization unless the organization meets one of the following conditions:

¹Municipal code references
Privilege taxes: title 5.

(a) Has a current exemption certificate from the Internal Revenue Service issued under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code of 1954, as amended.

(b) Is a member of United Way, Community Chest or similar "umbrella" organizations for charitable or religious organizations.

(c) Has been in continued existence as a charitable or religious organization in Jefferson County for a period of two (2) years prior to the date of its application for registration under this chapter.

(4) "Solicitor for subscriptions" means any person who solicits subscriptions from the public, either on the streets of the town, or from door to door, business to business, place to place, or from street to street, and who offers for sale subscriptions to magazines or other materials protected by provisions of the Constitution of the United States.

(5) "Street barker" means any peddler who does business during recognized festival or parade days in the town and who limits his business to selling or offering to sell novelty items and similar goods in the area of the festival or parade. (1978 Code, § 5-201, as replaced by Ord. #5-05, May 2005)

9-202. Exemptions. The terms of this chapter shall neither apply to persons selling at wholesale to dealers, nor to newsboys, nor to bona fide merchants who merely deliver goods in the regular course of business, nor to persons selling agricultural products, who in fact, themselves produced the products being sold. (1978 Code, § 5-202, as replaced by Ord. #5-05, May 2005)

9-203. Permit required. No person, firm or corporation shall operate a business as a peddler, solicitor or street barker, and no solicitor for charitable or religious purposes or solicitor for subscriptions shall solicit within the town unless the same has obtained a permit from the town in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. (1978 Code, § 5-203, as replaced by Ord. #5-05, May 2005)

9-204. Permit procedure. (1) Application form. A sworn application containing the following information shall be completed and filed with the town recorder by each applicant for a permit as a peddler, solicitor, or street barker and by each applicant for a permit as a solicitor for charitable or religious purposes or as a solicitor for subscriptions:

(a) The complete name, permanent address, telephone number, fax number, and email address of the business or organization the applicant(s) represents.

(b) A brief description of the type of business and the goods to be sold.

(c) The dates for which the applicant intends to do business or make solicitations.

(d) The names, permanent addresses, signature and proof of identification of each person who will make sales or solicitations within the town.

(e) The make, model complete description, and license tag number and state of issue, of each vehicle to be used to make sales or solicitations, whether or not such vehicle is owned individually by the person making sales or solicitations, by the business or organization itself, or rented or borrowed from another business or person.

(f) Tennessee State sales tax number, if applicable.

(2) Permit fee. Each applicant for a permit as a peddler, solicitor or street barker shall submit with his application a nonrefundable fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00). There shall be no fee for an application for a permit as a solicitor for charitable purposes.

(3) Permit issued. Upon the completion of the application form and the payment of the permit fee, where required, the recorder shall issue a permit and provide a copy of the same to the applicant.

(4) Submission of application form to the chief of police. Immediately after the applicant obtains a permit from the town recorder, the recorder shall submit to the chief of police a copy of the application form and the permit. (1978 Code, § 5-204, as replaced by Ord. #5-05, May 2005)

9-205. Restrictions on peddlers, street barkers and solicitors. No peddler, street barker, solicitor, solicitor for charitable purposes, or solicitor for subscriptions shall:

(1) Be permitted to set up and operate a booth or stand on any street or sidewalk, or in any other public area within the town.

(2) Stand or sit in or near the entrance to any dwelling or place of business.

(3) Call attention to this business or merchandise or to his solicitation efforts by crying out, by blowing a horn, by ringing a bell, or creating other noise, except that the street barker shall be allowed to cry out to call attention to his business or merchandise during recognized parade or festival days of the town.

(4) Enter in or upon any premises or attempt to enter in or upon any premises wherein a sign or placard bearing the notice "Peddlers or Solicitors Prohibited," or similar language carrying the same meaning, is located. (1978 Code, § 5-205, as replaced by Ord. #5-05, May 2005)

9-206. Display of permit. Each peddler, street barker solicitor, solicitor for charitable purposes or solicitor for subscriptions is required to have in his possession a valid permit while making sales or solicitations, and shall be required to display the same to any police officer upon demand. (1978 Code, § 5-206, as replaced by Ord. #5-05, May 2005)

9-207. Suspension or revocation of permit. (1) Suspension by the town recorder or code enforcement officer. The permit issued to any person or organization under this chapter may be suspended by the town recorder or code enforcement officer for any of the following causes:

(a) Any false statement, material omission, or untrue or misleading information which is contained in or left out of the application; or

(b) Any violation of this chapter.

(2) Suspension or revocation by the board of mayor and aldermen. The permit issued to any person or organization under this chapter may be suspended or revoked by the board of mayor and aldermen, after notice and hearing, for the same causes set out in paragraph (1) above. Notice of the hearing for suspension or revocation of a permit shall be given by the town recorder in writing, setting forth specifically the grounds of complaint and the time and place of the hearing. Such notice shall be mailed to the permit holder at his last known address at least five (5) days prior to the date set for hearing or it shall be delivered by a police officer in the same manner as a summons at least three (3) days prior to the date set for hearing. (1978 Code, § 5-207, as replaced by Ord. #5-05, May 2005)

9-208. Expiration and renewal of permit. The permit of peddlers and solicitors shall expire on the same date that the permit holder's privilege license expires. The registration of any peddler or solicitor who for any reason is not subject to the privilege tax shall be issued for two (2) weeks. The permit of street barkers shall be for a period corresponding to the dates of the recognized parade or festival days of the town. The permit of solicitors for religious or charitable purposes and solicitors for subscriptions shall expire on the date provided in the permit. (1978 Code, § 5-208, as replaced by Ord. #5-05, May 2005)

9-209. Violation and penalty. In addition to any other action the town may take against a permit holder in violation of this chapter, such violation shall be punishable under the general penalty provision of this code. Each day a violation occurs shall constitute a separate offense. (1978 Code, § 5-209, as replaced by Ord. #5-05, May 2005)

9-210–9-213. Deleted. (as deleted by Ord. #5-05, May 2005)

CHAPTER 3

(This chapter was deleted by Ord. #5-05, May 2005)

CHAPTER 4

TAXICABS¹

SECTION

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9-401. Taxicab franchise and privilege license required. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the taxicab business unless he has first obtained a taxicab franchise from the municipality and has a currently effective privilege license. (1978 Code, § 5-401)

9-402. Requirements as to application and hearing. No person shall be eligible to apply for a taxicab franchise if he has a bad character or has been convicted of a felony within the last ten (10) years. Applications for taxicab franchises shall be made under oath and in writing to the chief of police. The application shall state the name and address of the applicant, the name and address of the proposed place of business, the number of cabs the applicant desires to operate, the makes and models of said cabs, and such other pertinent information as the chief of police may require. The application shall be accompanied by at least two (2) affidavits of reputable local citizens attesting to the good character and reputation of the applicant. Within ten (10) days after receipt of an application the chief of police shall make a thorough investigation of the applicant; determine if there is a public need for additional taxicab service; present the application to the governing body; and make a

¹Municipal code reference
Privilege taxes: title 5.

recommendation to either grant or refuse a franchise to the applicant. The governing body shall thereupon hold a public hearing at which time witnesses for and against the granting of the franchise shall be heard. In deciding whether or not to grant the franchise the governing body shall consider the public need for additional service, the increased traffic congestion, parking space requirements, and whether or not the safe use of the streets by the public, both vehicular and pedestrian, will be preserved by the granting of such an additional franchise. Those persons already operating taxicabs when this code is adopted shall not be required to make applications under this section but shall be required to comply with all of the other provisions hereof. (1978 Code, § 5-402)

9-403. Liability insurance required. No taxicab franchise shall be issued or continued in operation unless there is in full force and effect a liability insurance policy for each vehicle authorized in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) for bodily injury or death to any one person, one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for bodily injuries or death to more than one person which are sustained in the same accident, and ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for property damage resulting from any one accident. The insurance policy required by this section shall contain a provision that it shall not be cancelled except after at least twenty (20) days' written notice is given by the insurer to both the insured and the recorder of the municipality. (1978 Code, § 5-403)

9-404. Revocation or suspension of franchise. The governing body, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend any taxicab franchise for misrepresentations or false statements made in the application therefor or for traffic violations or violations of this chapter by the taxicab owner or any driver. (1978 Code, § 5-404)

9-405. Mechanical condition of vehicles. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any taxicab in the town unless such taxicab is equipped with four (4) wheel brakes, front and rear lights, safe tires, horn, muffler, windshield wipers, and rear vision mirror, all of which shall conform to the requirements of state law. Each taxicab shall be equipped with a handle or latch or other opening device attached to each door of the passenger compartment so that such doors may be operated by the passenger from the inside of the taxicab without the intervention or assistance of the driver. The motor and all mechanical parts shall be kept in such condition or repair as may be reasonably necessary to provide for the safety of the public and the continuous satisfactory operation of the taxicab. (1978 Code, § 5-405)

9-406. Cleanliness of vehicles. All taxicabs operated in the municipality shall, at all times, be kept in a reasonably clean and sanitary condition. They shall be thoroughly swept and dusted at least once each day.

At least once every week they shall be thoroughly washed and the interior cleaned with a suitable antiseptic solution. (1978 Code, § 5-406)

9-407. Inspection of vehicles. All taxicabs shall be inspected at least semiannually by the chief of police to insure that they comply with the requirements of this chapter with respect to mechanical condition, cleanliness, etc. (1978 Code, § 5-407)

9-408. License and permit required for drivers. No person shall drive a taxicab unless he is in possession of a state special chauffeur's license and a taxicab driver's permit issued by the chief of police. (1978 Code, § 5-408)

9-409. Qualifications for driver's permit. No person shall be issued a taxicab driver's permit unless he complies with the following to the satisfaction of the chief of police:

- (1) Makes written application to the chief of police.
- (2) Is at least eighteen (18) years of age and holds a state special chauffeur's license.
- (3) Undergoes an examination by a physician and is found to be of sound physique, with good eyesight and hearing and not subject to epilepsy, vertigo, heart trouble or any other infirmity of body or mind which might render him unfit for the safe operation of a public vehicle.
- (4) Is clean in dress and person and is not addicted to the use of intoxicating liquor or drugs.
- (5) Produces affidavits of good character from two (2) reputable citizens of the municipality who have known him personally and have observed his conduct for at least two (2) years next preceding the date of his application.
- (6) Has not been convicted of a felony, drunk driving, driving under the influence of an intoxicant or drug, or of frequent minor traffic offenses.
- (7) Is familiar with the state and local traffic laws. (1978 Code, § 5-409)

9-410. Revocation or suspension of driver's permit. The governing body, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend any taxicab driver's permit for violation of this chapter or for violations of the traffic laws of the town. (1978 Code, § 5-410)

9-411. Drivers not to solicit business. All taxicab drivers are expressly prohibited from indiscriminately soliciting passengers or from cruising upon the streets of the municipality for the purpose of obtaining patronage for their cabs. (1978 Code, § 5-411)

9-412. Parking restricted. It shall be unlawful to park any taxicab on any street except in such places as have been specifically designated and

marked by the municipality for the use of taxicabs. It is provided, however, that taxicabs may stop upon any street for the purpose of picking up or discharging passengers if such stops are made in such manner as not to unreasonably interfere with or obstruct other traffic and provided the passenger loading or discharging is promptly accomplished. (1978 Code, § 5-412)

9-413. Drivers to use direct routes. Taxicab drivers shall always deliver their passengers to their destinations by the most direct available route. (1978 Code, § 5-413)

9-414. Taxicabs not to be used for illegal purposes. No taxicab shall be used for or in the commission of any illegal act, business, or purpose. (1978 Code, § 5-414)

9-415. Miscellaneous prohibited conduct by drivers. It shall be unlawful for any taxicab driver, while on duty, to be under the influence of, or to drink any intoxicating beverage or beer; to use profane or obscene language; to shout or call to prospective passengers; to unnecessarily blow the automobile horn; or to otherwise disturb the peace, quiet and tranquility of the municipality in any way. (1978 Code, § 5-415)

9-416. Transportation of more than one passenger at the same time. No person shall be admitted to a taxicab already occupied by a passenger without the consent of such other passenger. (1978 Code, § 5-416)

CHAPTER 5

POOL ROOMS¹

SECTION

9-501. Minors to be kept out; exception.

9-501. Minors to be kept out; exception. It shall be unlawful for any person engaged regularly, or otherwise, in keeping billiard, bagatelle, or pool rooms or tables, their employees, agents, servants, or other persons for them, knowingly to permit any person under the age of eighteen (18) years to play on said tables at any game of billiards, bagatelle, pool, or other games requiring the use of cue and balls, without first having obtained the written consent of the father and mother of such minor, if living; if the father is dead, then the mother, guardian, or other person having legal control of such minor; or if the minor be in attendance as a student at some literary institution, then the written consent of the principal or person in charge of such school; provided that this section shall not apply to the use of billiards, bagatelle, and pool tables kept by private persons and used in private families. (1978 Code, § 5-503)

¹Municipal code reference
Privilege taxes: title 5.

CHAPTER 6

PERSONAL PROPERTY SALES

SECTION

9-601. Definitions.

9-602. Property permitted to be sold.

9-603. Hours of operation.

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9-605. Advertising signs.

9-606. Public nuisance.

9-601. Definitions. (1) Personal property shall mean property which is owned, utilized and maintained by an individual or members of his or her residence and acquired in the normal course of living in or maintaining a residence. It does not include merchandise which was purchased for resale or obtained on consignment.

(2) Garage sale shall mean and include all general sales, open to the public, conducted from or on residential property in any residential zone, as defined by the zoning ordinance, for the purpose of disposing of personal property including, but not limited to, all sales entitled "garage", "lawn", "yard", "attic", "porch", "room", "backyard", "patio", or "rummage" sale.

(3) Residence shall include the whole of the property and attendant structures and shall also include all households, whether they be single-family or multi-family. (1978 Code, § 8-501)

9-602. Property permitted to be sold. It shall be unlawful for any individual to sell or offer for sale, under authority granted by this chapter, property other than personal property. (1978 Code, § 8-502)

9-603. Hours of operation. Such garage sales shall be limited to no more than the daylight hours of three (3) consecutive week days, or a Friday, Saturday and Monday. No more than three (3) such sales per year may be held at any one residential location. No such sales shall be held on Sundays. (1978 Code, § 8-503, as amended by Ord. #5-06, April 2006)

9-604. Display of sale property. Personal property offered for sale may be displayed within the residence, in a garage, carport, and/or in the yard. Displays are prohibited in any public right-of-way. (1978 Code, § 8-504)

9-605. Advertising signs. Only the following specified signs may be displayed in relation to a garage sale:

(1) On premise signs. Two (2) signs of not more than two (2) square feet shall be permitted to be displayed on the property of the residence where the garage sale is being conducted.

(2) Off premise signs. Three (3) signs of not more than two (2) square feet each are permitted to be displayed off the property of the residence where garage sale is being conducted, the only exception being the unlimited display of signs in any privately owned store windows.

(3) Time limitations. No sign or other form of advertisement shall be exhibited for more than two (2) days prior to the day such a sale is to commence.

(4) Removal of signs. Signs must be removed by the end of the day upon which sale ends. (1978 Code, § 8-505)

9-606. Public nuisance. The individual, owner, or tenant of the premises on which such sale or activity is conducted shall be jointly and severally responsible for the maintenance of good order and decorum on the premises during all hours of such sale or activity. No such individual shall permit any loud or boisterous conduct on said premises or permit vehicles to impede the passage or traffic on any roads or streets in the area of such premises. All parking of vehicles shall be conducted in compliance with all applicable laws and ordinances. All such individuals shall obey the reasonable orders of any member of the police or fire departments of the Town of White Pine in order to maintain the public health, safety, and welfare. (1978 Code, § 8-506)

CHAPTER 7

HOTELS AND MOTELS

SECTION

- 9-701. Definitions.
- 9-702. Identification of guests.
- 9-703. Registration of guests.
- 9-704. Access for law enforcement persons.
- 9-705. Violation and penalties.

9-701. Definitions. (1) "Hotel" or "Inn" shall mean any building or sleeping accommodations that are offered to the public, whether or not other businesses or services are offered in the same building.

(2) "Motel" shall mean any building, series of buildings or series of cabins in which sleeping accommodations are offered to the public, along with parking for motor vehicles, whether or not other businesses or services are offered on the premises. (As added by Ord. #4-00, May 2000)

9-702. Identification of guests. Every owner, keeper or proprietor of any lodging house, rooming house, motel or hotel shall keep a register wherein all guests, roomers, or lodgers shall inscribe their names upon their procuring lodging, a room or accommodations. Said owner, keeper or proprietor shall require identification of each guest, roomer or lodger at the time of registration in a form including but not limited to a driver's license, government-issued picture identification card, credit card or such other form as will reasonably assure that the registrant is, in fact, the person under whose name such lodging room or accommodations is, in fact, being procured. (As added by Ord. #4-00, May 2000)

9-703. Registration of guests. Before furnishing any lodging for hire to any person in any lodging house, or before furnishing any accommodations to any guest of any motel or hotel, the proprietor, manager or owner thereof shall require the person to whom such lodging is furnished, or room is rented or accommodations furnished, to inscribe his or her name in such register with the license number of vehicle, make and model of such vehicle, kept for the purpose as heretofore provided, and shall set opposite said name the time that said name was so inscribed and the room occupied by such lodger, roomer or guest. (As added by Ord. #4-00, May 2000, and amended by Ord. #11-04, Oct. 2004)

9-704. Access for law enforcement persons. All information required to be procured and kept pursuant to § 9-701 and § 9-702 of this chapter shall be provided to any federal, state, or local sworn law enforcement officer having the

lawful power to arrest, upon demand of the officer and a representation by said officer that a reasonable suspicion exists that such information is relevant to a then-pending inquiry or investigation. Nothing in this requirement shall be construed as giving any such officer any greater right or license to enter a room or invade privacy than the officer shall otherwise possess as a matter of common law, probable cause, constitutional law, statutory right or warrant. (As added by Ord. #4-00, May 2000)

9-705. Violation and penalties. It shall be a civil offense for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the hotel and motel code as herein adopted by reference and modified. The violation of any section of this chapter shall be punishable by a penalty of up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense. Each day a violation is allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense. (As added by Ord. #4-00, May 2000)

CHAPTER 8

ADULT-ORIENTED ESTABLISHMENTS

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9-801. Definitions. For the purpose of this chapter, the words and phrases used herein shall have the following meanings, unless otherwise clearly indicated by the context:

(1) "Adult-oriented establishment" shall include, but not be limited to, "adult bookstore," "adult motion picture theaters," "adult mini-motion picture establishments," or "adult cabaret," and further means any premises to which the public patrons or members (regardless of whether or not the establishment is categorized as a private or members only club) are invited or admitted and/or which are so physically arranged as to provide booths, cubicles, rooms, compartments or stalls separate from the common areas of the premises for the purpose of viewing adult-oriented motion pictures, or wherein an entertainer provides adult entertainment to a member of the public, a patron or a member, when such adult entertainment is held, conducted, operated or maintained for a profit, direct or indirect. An "adult-oriented establishment" further includes, without being limited to, any "adult entertainment studio" or any premises that is physically arranged and used as such, whether advertised or represented as an adult entertainment studio, rap studio, exotic dance studio, encounter studio, sensitivity studio, modeling studio or any other term of like import.

(2) "Adult bookstore" means an establishment receiving at least 20% of its gross sales from the sale or rental of books, magazines, periodicals, videotapes, DVD's, films and other electronic media which are distinguished or characterized by their emphasis on matter depicting, describing or relating to

"specified sexual activities" or "specified anatomical areas", as defined below. "Adult bookstore" shall not include video stores whose primary business is the rental and sale of videos which are not distinguished or characterized by their emphasis on matter depicting, describing or relating to specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas.

(3) "Adult motion picture theater" means an enclosed building with a capacity of fifty (50) or more persons regularly used for presenting materials having as a dominant theme or presenting material distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on matter depicting or relating to "specified sexual activities" or "specified anatomical areas" as defined below, for observation by any means by patrons therein

(4) "Adult mini-motion picture theater" means an enclosed building with a capacity of less than fifty (50) persons regularly used for presenting material distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on matter depicting, describing or relating to "specified anatomical areas," as defined below, for observation by any means by patrons therein.

(5) "Adult cabaret" is defined to mean an establishment which features as a principle use of its business, entertainers and/or waiters and/or bartenders and/or any other employee or independent contractor, who expose to public view of the patrons within said establishment, at any time, the bare female breast below a point immediately above the top of the areola, human genitals, pubic region, or buttocks, even if partially covered by opaque material or completely covered by translucent material; including swim suits, lingerie or latex covering. Adult cabarets shall include commercial establishments which feature entertainment of an erotic nature including exotic dancer, table dancers, private dancers, strippers, male or female impersonators, or similar entertainers.

(6) "Board of mayor and aldermen" means the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of White Pine, Tennessee.

(7) "Employee" means any and all persons, including independent contractors, who work in or at or render any services directly related to the operation of an adult-oriented establishment.

(8) "Entertainer" means any person who provides entertainment within and a adult-oriented establishment as defined in this section, whether or not a fee is charged or accepted for entertainment and whether or not entertainment is provided as an employee or an independent contractor.

(9) "Adult-entertainment" means any exhibition of any adult-oriented: motion pictures, live performance, computer or CD Rom generated images, displays of adult-oriented images or performances derived or taken from the internet, displays or dance of any type, which has a significant or substantial portion of such performance any actual or simulated performance of specified sexual activities or exhibition and viewing of specified anatomical areas, removal or partial removal of articles of clothing or appearing unclothed, pantomime, modeling, or any other personal service offered customers.

(10) "Operator" means any person, partnership, corporation, or entity of any type or character operating, conducting or maintaining an adult-oriented establishment.

(11) "Specified sexual activities" means:

(a) Human genitals in a state of actual or simulated sexual stimulation or arousal;

(b) Acts or simulated acts of human masturbation, sexual intercourse or sodomy;

(c) Fondling or erotic touching of human genitals, pubic region, buttock or female breasts.

(12) "Specified anatomical areas" means:

(a) Less than completely and opaquely covered:

(i) Human genitals, pubic region;

(ii) Buttocks;

(iii) Female breasts below a point immediately above the top of the areola; and

(b) Human male genitals in an actual or simulated discernibly turgid state, even if completely opaquely covered. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-802. Standard for location of adult-oriented establishments.

Because of the nature and character of their operations, adult-oriented establishments can have a detrimental effect upon surrounding properties. The following standard shall apply:

(1) Adult-oriented establishments shall be permitted only within the C-3, Highway Commercial zoning district, and shall not be permitted within three-hundred (300) yards of

(a) A church, synagogue, mosque, temple or building used primarily for religious activities;

(b) A public or private educational or child care facility, including but not limited to day care facilities, nursery schools, preschools, kindergartens, elementary schools, private schools, intermediate schools, junior high schools, middle schools, high schools, vocational schools, secondary schools, special education schools, junior colleges, and universities and the grounds of any such facility;

(c) A boundary of any residential zoning district or the property line of a lot devoted to a residential use;

(d) A public park or recreational area that has been designated for park and recreational activities, including but not limited to a park, playground, nature trail, swimming pool, athletic field, basketball or tennis court, a soccer field, pedestrian/bicycle paths or any other similar public land which is under control, operated, or management of any government park and recreation authority.

- (e) An entertainment business that is oriented primarily towards entertainment of children and families;
- (f) Any packaged liquor store;
- (g) A funeral home, mortuary, or crematory facility.

(2) For the purpose of these conditions, measurement shall be made in a straight line, without regard to intervening structures, objects or public right-of ways, from the structure proposed for use as the premises where an adult-oriented establishment is conducted, to the nearest property line of the premises of a use listed in subsections (a)-(g). The presence of a town boundary shall be irrelevant for purposes of calculating and applying the distance requirement of this section.

(3) An adult oriented establishment lawfully operating as a conforming use shall not be rendered a nonconforming use by the location, subsequent to the commencement of operations of said establishment, of a use listed in subsections (a)-(g) within five hundred (500) feet of the adult-oriented establishment.

(4) No adult-oriented establishment may be established or operated within five hundred (500) feet of another adult-oriented establishment. For the purpose of this subsection, the distance between any two (2) adult-oriented establishments shall be measured in a straight line, without regards to the intervening structures, objects, public right-of-ways, or municipal boundary, from the property lines in which each business is located.

(5) No adult-oriented establishment may be enlarged so as to violate the provisions of this section.

(6) Proposals for adult-oriented establishments shall be approved by the board of zoning appeals as a use on review in accordance with the Town of White Pine Zoning Ordinance. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-803. License required. (1) Except as provided in subsection (5) below, from and after the effective date of this chapter, no adult-oriented establishment shall be operated or maintained in the Town of White Pine without first obtaining a license to operate issued by the Town of White Pine.

(2) A license may be issued only for one (1) adult-oriented establishment located at a fixed and certain place. Any person, partnership, or corporation which desires to operate more than one (1) adult-oriented establishment must have a license each establishment.

(3) No license or interest in a license may be transferred to any person, partnership, or corporation.

(4) It shall be unlawful for any entertainer, employee or operator to knowingly work in or about, or to knowingly perform any service directly related to the operation of any unlicensed adult-oriented establishment.

(5) All existing adult-oriented establishments at the time of the passage of this article must submit an application for a license within one hundred twenty (120) days of the passage of this chapter on second and final

reading. If a license is not issued within said one hundred twenty day period, then such existing adult-oriented establishment shall cease operations.

(6) No license may be issued for any location unless the premises is lawfully zoned for adult-oriented establishments and unless all requirements of the zoning ordinance are complied with. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-804. Application for license. (1) Any person, partnership, or corporation desiring to secure a license shall make application to the Police Chief of the Town of White Pine. The application shall be filed in triplicate with and dated by the police chief. A copy of the application shall be distributed promptly by the police chief to the town recorder and to the applicant.

(2) An applicant for a license including any partner or limited partner of the partnership applicant, and any officer or director of the corporate applicant and any stockholder holding more than five (5) percent of the stock of a corporate applicant, or any other person who is interested directly in the ownership or operation of the business (including but not limited to all holders of any interest in land of members of any limited liability company) shall furnish the following information under oath:

- (a) Name and addresses, including all aliases.
- (b) Written proof that the individual(s) is at least eighteen (18) years of age.
- (c) All residential addresses of the applicant(s) for the past three (3) years.
- (d) The applicants' height, weight, color of eyes and hair.
- (e) The business, occupation or employment of the applicant(s) for five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.
- (f) Whether the applicant(s) previously operated in this or any other county, city or state under an adult-oriented establishment license or similar business license; whether the applicant(s) has ever had such a license revoked or suspended, the reason therefore, and the business entity or trade name under which the applicant operated that was subject to the suspension or revocation.
- (g) All criminal statutes, whether federal or state, or city ordinance violation convictions, forfeiture of bond and pleadings of nolo contendere on all charges, except minor traffic violations.
- (h) Fingerprints and two (2) portrait photographs at least two (2) inches by two (2) inches of each applicant.
- (i) The address of the adult-oriented establishment to be operated by the applicant(s).
- (j) The names and addresses of all persons, partnerships, limited liability entities, or corporations holding any beneficial interest in the real estate upon which such adult-oriented establishment is to be operated, including but not limited to, contract purchasers or sellers, beneficiaries of land trust or lessees subletting to applicant.

(k) If the premises are leased or being purchased under contract, a copy of such lease or contract shall accompany the application.

(l) The length of time each applicant has been a resident of the Town of White Pine, or its environs, immediately preceding the date of the application.

(m) If the applicant is a limited liability entity, the applicant shall specify the name, the date and state of organization, the name and address of the registered agent and the name and address of each member of the limited liability entity.

(n) A statement by the applicant that he or she is familiar with the provisions of this chapter and is in compliance with them.

(o) All inventory, equipment, or supplies which are to be leased, purchased, held in consignment or in any other fashion kept on the premises or any part or portion thereof for storage, display, any other use therein, or in connection with the operation of said establishment, or for resale, shall be identified in writing accompanying the application specifically designating the distributor business name, address, phone number, and representative's name.

(p) Evidence in form deemed sufficient to the town that the location for the proposed adult-oriented establishment complies with all requirements of the zoning ordinances as now existing or hereafter amended.

(3) Within ten (10) days of receiving the results of the investigation conducted by the White Pine Police Department, the police chief shall notify the applicant that his/her application is conditionally granted, denied, or held for further investigation. Such additional investigation shall not exceed thirty (30) days unless otherwise agreed to by the applicant. Upon conclusion of such additional investigation, the police chief shall advise the applicant in writing whether the application is granted or denied.

(4) Whenever an application is denied or held for further investigation, the police chief shall advise the applicant in writing of the reasons for such action. If the applicant requests a hearing within ten (10) days of receipt of notification of denial, a public hearing shall be held thereafter before the board of mayor and aldermen at which time the applicant may present evidence as to why his/her license should not be denied. The board shall hear evidence as to the basis of the denial and shall affirm or reject the denial of any application at the hearing. If any application for an adult-oriented establishment license is denied by the board of mayor and aldermen and no agreement is reached with the applicant concerning the basis for denial, the town attorney shall institute suit for declaratory judgment in the Chancery Court of Jefferson County, Tennessee, within five (5) days of the date of any such denial and shall seek an immediate judicial determination of whether such license or permit may be properly denied under the law.

(5) Failure or refusal of the applicant to give any information relevant to the investigation of the application, or his or her refusal or failure to appear at any reasonable time and place for examination under oath regarding said application or his or her refusal to submit to or cooperate with any investigation required by this chapter, shall constitute an admission by the applicant that he or she is ineligible for such license and shall be grounds for denial thereof by the police chief. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-805. Standards for issuance of license. (1) To receive a license to operate an adult-oriented establishment, an applicant must meet the following standards:

(a) If the applicant is an individual:

(i) The applicant shall be at least eighteen (18) years of age.

(ii) The applicant shall not have been convicted of or pleaded nolo contendere to a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude, prostitution, obscenity, or other crime of a sexual nature in any jurisdiction within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.

(iii) The applicant shall not have been found to have previously violated this chapter within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.

(b) If the applicant is a corporation:

(i) All officers, directors and stockholder required to be named under § 9-804 shall be at least eighteen (18) years of age.

(ii) No officer, director or stockholder required to be named under § 9-804 shall have been found to have previously violated this chapter within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of application.

(c) If the applicant is a partnership, joint venture, limited liability entity, or any other type of organization where two (2) or more persons have a financial interest:

(i) All persons having a financial interest in the partnership, joint venture or other type of organization shall be at least eighteen (18) years of age.

(ii) No persons having a financial interest in the partnership, joint venture or other type of organization shall have been convicted of or pleaded nolo contendere to a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude, prostitution, obscenity or other crime of a sexual nature in any jurisdiction within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.

(iii) No persons having a financial interest in the partnership, joint venture or other type of organization shall have

been found to have previously violated this chapter within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.

(2) No license shall be issued unless the White Pine Police Department has investigated the applicant's qualification to be licensed. The results of that investigation shall be filed in writing with the police chief no later than twenty (20) days after the date of the application. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-806. Permit required. In addition to the license requirements previously set forth for owners and operators of "adult-oriented establishments," no person shall be an employee or entertainer in an adult-oriented establishment without first obtaining a valid permit issued by the police chief. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-807. Application for permit. (1) Any person desiring to secure a permit shall make application to the police chief. The application shall be filed in triplicate with and dated by the police chief. A copy of the application shall be distributed promptly by the police chief to the town recorder and to the applicant.

(2) The application for a permit shall be upon a form provided by the police chief. An applicant for a permit shall furnish the following information under oath:

- (a) Name and address, including all aliases.
- (b) Written proof that the individual is at least eighteen (18) years of age.
- (c) All residential addresses of the applicant for the past three (3) years.
- (d) The applicant's height, weight, color of eyes, and hair.
- (e) The business, occupation or employment of the applicant for five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.
- (f) Whether the applicant, while previously operating in this or any other city or state under an adult-oriented establishment permit or similar business for whom applicant was employed or associated at the time, has ever had such a permit revoked or suspended, the reason therefore, and the business entity or trade names for whom the applicant was employed or associated at the time of such suspension or revocation.
- (g) All criminal statutes, whether federal, state or town ordinance violation, convictions, forfeiture of bond and pleadings of nolo contendere on all charges, except minor traffic violations.
- (h) Fingerprints and two (2) portrait photographs at least two (2) inches by two (2) inches of the applicant.
- (i) The length of time the applicant has been a resident of the Town of White Pine, or its environs, immediately preceding the date of the application.

(j) A statement by the applicant that he or she is familiar with the provisions of this chapter and is in compliance with them.

(3) Within ten (10) days of receiving the results of the investigation conducted by the White Pine Police Department, the police chief shall notify the applicant that his application is granted, denied, or held for further investigation. Such additional investigation shall not exceed an additional thirty (30) days unless otherwise agreed to by the applicant. Upon the conclusion of such additional investigations, the police chief shall advise the applicant in writing whether the application is granted or denied.

(4) Whenever an application is denied or held for further investigation, the police chief shall advise the applicant in writing of the reasons for such action. If the applicant requests a hearing within ten (10) days of receipt of notification of denial, a public hearing shall be held thereafter before the board of mayor and aldermen at which time the applicant may present evidence bearing upon the question.

(5) Failure or refusal of the applicant to give any information relevant to the investigation of the application, or his or her refusal to appear at any reasonable time and place for examination under oath regarding said application or his or her refusal to submit to or cooperate with any investigation required by this chapter, shall constitute an admission by the applicant that he or she is ineligible for such permit and shall be grounds for denial thereof by the police chief. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-808. Standards for issuance of permit. (1) To receive a permit as an employee or entertainer, and applicant must meet the following standards:

(a) The applicant shall be at least eighteen (18) years of age.

(b) The applicant shall not have been convicted of or pleaded no contest to a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude or prostitution, obscenity or other crime of a sexual nature (including violation of similar adult-oriented establishment laws or ordinances) in any jurisdiction within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.

(c) The applicant shall not have been found to violate any provision of this chapter within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.

(2) No permit shall be issued until the White Pine Police Department has investigated the applicant's qualifications to receive a permit. The results of that investigation shall be filed in writing with the police chief not later than twenty (20) days after the date of the application. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-809. Fees. (1) A license fee of five hundred dollars (\$500) shall be submitted with the application for a license. If the application is denied, one-half (1/2) of the fee shall be returned.

(2) A permit fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) shall be submitted with the application for a permit. If the application is denied, one-half (½) of the fee shall be returned. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-810. Display of license or permit. (1) The license shall be displayed in a conspicuous public place in the adult-oriented establishment.

(2) The permit shall be carried by an employee and/or entertainer upon his or her person and shall be displayed upon request of a customer, any member of the White Pine Police Department, or any person designated by the board of mayor and aldermen. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-811. Renewal of license or permit. (1) Every license issued pursuant to this chapter will terminate at the expiration of one (1) year from the date of issuance, unless sooner revoked, and must be renewed before operation is allowed in the following year. Any operator desiring to renew a license shall make application to the police chief. The application for renewal must be filed not later than sixty (60) days before the license expires. The application for renewal shall be filed in triplicate with and dated by the police chief. A copy of the application for renewal shall be distributed promptly by the police chief to the town recorder and to the operator. The application for renewal shall be a form provided by the police chief and shall contain such information and data, given under oath or affirmation, as may be required by the board of mayor and aldermen.

(2) A license renewal fee of five hundred dollars (\$500) shall be submitted with the application for renewal. In addition to the renewal fee, a late penalty of one hundred dollars (\$100) shall be assessed against the applicant who files for a renewal less than sixty (60) days before the license expires. If the application is denied, one-half (1/2) of the total fees collected shall be returned.

(3) If the White Pine Police Department is aware of any information bearing on the operator's qualifications, that information shall be filed in writing with the police chief.

(4) Every permit issued pursuant to this chapter will terminate at the expiration of one (1) year from the date of issuance unless sooner revoked, and must be renewed before an employee and/or entertainer is allowed to continue employment in an adult oriented establishment in the following calendar year. Any employee and/or entertainer desiring to renew a permit shall make application to the police chief. The application for renewal must be filed not later than sixty (60) days before the permit expires. The application for renewal shall be filed in triplicate with and dated by the police chief. A copy of the application for renewal shall be distributed promptly by the police chief to the town recorder and to the employee. The application for renewal shall be upon a form provided by the police chief and shall contain such information and data, given under oath or affirmation, as may be required by the board of mayor and aldermen.

(5) A permit renewal fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) shall be submitted with the application for renewal. In addition to said renewal fee, a late penalty of fifty dollars (\$50) shall be assessed against the applicant who files for renewal less than sixty (60) days before the license expires. If the application is denied, one-half (1/2) of the fee shall be returned.

(6) If the White Pine Police Department is aware of any information bearing on the employee's qualifications, that information shall be filed in writing with the police chief. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-812. Revocation of license or permit. (1) The police chief shall revoke a license or permit for any of the following reasons:

(a) Discovery that false or misleading information or data was given on any application or material facts were omitted from any application.

(b) The operator, entertainer, or any employee of the operator, violates any provision of this chapter or any rule or regulation adopted by the town council pursuant to this chapter; provided, however, that in the case of a first offense by an operator where the conduct was solely that of an employee, the penalty shall not exceed a suspension of thirty (30) days if the town council shall find that the operator had no actual or constructive knowledge of such violation and could not by the exercise of due diligence have had such actual or constructive knowledge.

(c) The operator or employee becomes ineligible to obtain a license or permit.

(d) Any cost or fee required to be paid by this chapter is not paid.

(e) An operator employs an employee who does not have a permit or provide space on the premises, whether by lease or otherwise, to an independent contractor who performs or works as an entertainer without a permit.

(f) Any intoxicating liquor, cereal malt beverage, narcotic or controlled substance is allowed to be sold or consumed on the licensed premises.

(g) Any operator, employee or entertainer sells, furnishes, gives or displays, or causes to be sold, furnished, given or displayed to any minor any adult-oriented entertainment or adult-oriented material.

(h) Any operator, employee or entertainer denies access of law enforcement personnel any portion of the licensed premises wherein adult-oriented entertainment is permitted or to any portion of the licensed premises wherein adult-oriented material is displayed or sold.

(i) Any operator allows continuing violations of the rules and regulations of the Jefferson County Health Department.

(j) Any operator fails to maintain the licensed premises in a clean, sanitary and safe condition.

(k) Any minor is found to be loitering about or frequenting the premises.

(2) The police chief, before revoking or suspending any license or permit shall give the operator or employee at least ten (10) days written notice of the charges against him or her and the opportunity for a public hearing before the board of mayor and aldermen, at which time the operator or employee may present evidence bearing upon the question. In such cases, the charges shall be specific and in writing.

(3) The transfer of a license or any interest in a license shall automatically and immediately revoke the license. The transfer of any interest in a non-individual operator's license shall automatically and immediately revoke the license held by the operator. Such license shall thereby become null and void.

(4) Any operator or employee whose license or permit is revoked shall not be eligible to receive a license or permit for five (5) years from the date of revocation. No location or premises for which a license has been issued shall be used as an adult-oriented establishment for two (2) years from the date of revocation of the license. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-813. Hours of operation. (1) No adult-oriented establishment shall be open between the hours of 1:00 A.M. and 8:00 A.M. Mondays through Saturdays, and between the hours of 1:00 A.M. and 12:00 P.M. on Sundays.

(2) All adult-oriented establishments shall be open to inspection at all reasonable times by the White Pine Department, the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, or such other persons as the board of mayor and aldermen may designate. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-814. Responsibilities of the operator. (1) The operator shall maintain a register of all employees and/or entertainers showing the name, and aliases used by the employee, home address, age, birth date, sex, height, weight, color of hair and eyes, phone numbers, social security number, date of employment and termination, and duties of each employee and such other information as may be required by the board of mayor and aldermen. The above information on each employee shall be maintained in the register on the premises for a period of three (3) years following termination.

(2) The operator shall make the register of the employees available immediately for inspection by police upon demand of a member of the White Pine Police Department at all reasonable times.

(3) Every act or omission by an employee constituting a violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed the act or omission of the operator if such act or omission occurs either with the authorization, knowledge, or approval of the operator, or as a result of the operator's negligent failure to supervise the employee's conduct, and the operator shall be punishable for such

act or omission in the same manner as if the operator committed the act or caused the omission.

(4) An operator shall be responsible for the conduct of all employees and/or entertainers while on the licensed premises and any act or omission of any employees and/or entertainer constituting a violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed the act or omission of the operator for purposes of determining whether the operator's license shall be revoked, suspended or renewed.

(5) There shall be posted and conspicuously displayed in the common areas of each adult-oriented establishment a list of any and all entertainment provided on the premises. Such list shall further indicate the specific fee or charge in dollar amounts for each entertainment listed. Viewing adult-oriented motion pictures shall be considered as entertainment. The operator shall make the list available immediately upon demand of the White Pine Police Department at all reasonable times.

(6) No employee of an adult-oriented establishment shall allow any minor to loiter around or to frequent an adult-oriented establishment or to allow any minor to view adult entertainment as defined herein.

(7) Every adult-oriented establishment shall be physically arranged in such a manner that the entire interior portion of the booths, cubicles, rooms or stalls, wherein adult entertainment is provided, shall be visible from the common area of the premises. Visibility shall not be blocked or obscured by doors, curtains, partitions, drapes, or any other obstruction whatsoever. It shall be unlawful to install booths, cubicles, rooms or stalls within adult-oriented establishments for whatever purpose, but especially for the purpose of secluded viewing of adult-oriented motion pictures or other types of adult entertainment.

(8) The operator shall be responsible for and shall provide that any room or area used for the purpose of viewing adult-oriented motion pictures or other types of live adult entertainment shall be readily accessible at all times and shall be continuously opened to view in its entirety.

(9) No operator, entertainer, or employee of an adult-oriented establishment shall demand or collect all or any portion of a fee for entertainment before its completion

(10) A sign shall be conspicuously displayed in the common area of the premises, and shall read as follows:

This Adult-Oriented Establishment is Regulated by the Town of White Pine Municipal Code. Entertainers are:

1. Not permitted to engage in any type of sexual conduct.
2. Not permitted to expose their sex organs.
3. Not permitted to demand or collect all or any portion of a fee for entertainment before its completion.

(as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-815. Prohibition and unlawful sexual acts. (1) No operator, entertainer, or employee of an adult-oriented establishment shall permit to be performed, offer to perform, perform or allow customers, employees or entertainers to perform sexual intercourse or oral or anal copulation or other contact stimulation of the genitalia.

(2) No operator, entertainer, or employee shall encourage or permit any person upon the premises to touch, caress, or fondle the breasts, buttocks, anus or genitals of any other person.

(3) No operator, entertainer, or employee shall encourage or permit any other person upon the premises to touch, caress, or fondle his or her breasts, buttocks, anus or genitals of any other person.

(4) No operator, entertainer, employee, or customer shall be unclothed or in such attire, costume, or clothing so as to expose to view any portion of the sex organs, breasts or buttocks of said operator, entertainer, or employee with the intent to arouse or gratify the sexual desires of the operator, entertainer, employee or customer.

(5) No entertainer, employee or customer shall be permitted to have any physical contact with any other on the premises during any performance and all performances shall only occur upon a stage at least eighteen (18") above the immediate floor level and removed six feet (6') from the nearest entertainer, employee and/or customer. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

9-816. Penalties and prosecution. (1) Any person, partnership, corporation, or other business entity who is found to have violated this chapter shall be fined a definite sum not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each violation and shall result in the suspension or revocation of any permit or license.

(2) Each violation of this chapter shall be considered a separate offense, and any violation continuing more than one (1) hour of time shall be considered a separate offense for each hour of violation. (as added by Ord. #2-05, Feb. 2005)

CHAPTER 9

SHORT-TERM RENTAL RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS

SECTION

9-901. Short-term rental residences.

9-901. Short-term rental residences. The county has determined that passage of a "generally applicable local law" incorporated within the zoning resolution for the regulation of short-term rental residences is necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public, as well as to promote the public interest by regulating the areas and methods of operation. All persons or entities that were operating short-term rentals prior to _____, 2022 and have confirmed prior operation by the remittance of taxes due on rental property pursuant to title 67, chapter 6, part of the Tennessee Code Annotated for filing periods that cover at least six (6) months within the twelve (12) month period prior to the effective date of the applicable requirements of the zoning resolution are not subject to these requirements. Following the noted effective date, operation of short-term rental residences within the county must adhere to the following standards and requirements:

- (1) A valid business license must be obtained from the county.
- (2) An application for a Short-Term Residential Permit (STRP) must be approved by the county. As part of the application, the property owner or management company must confirm tax registration on the Tennessee Taxpayer Access Point (TNTAP) for applicable sales and use taxes within the jurisdiction that the rental is operating has been completed to ensure remittance of appropriate taxes to the county.
- (3) Submittal of an Affidavit of Life Safety Compliance certifying installation of smoke alarms, a carbon monoxide detector, and a fire extinguisher. The affidavit must also include the number and location of this equipment.
- (4) The property owner must confirm effective comprehensive commercial insurance coverage of a minimum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) for liability and property damage. (Preferably coverage specifically for short-term rentals.)
- (5) The applicant must sign an indemnification form to hold the county harmless related to the rental operation.
- (6) The building in which the short-term residential rental operates from shall be in compliance with all applicable building, housing, fire, and other adopted codes.
- (7) The short-term residential rental is considered the principal use of the property under county zoning. The county is not responsible for enforcing any private restrictions, deed restrictions, private covenants, or other private controls applicable to property with a short-term residential rental operation.

(8) Administrative plan approval is required prior to operation of the short-term rental. The plan shall include the location of the operation, approximate square footage, ingress/egress, available parking, and a floor plan depicting all exits and the locations of the required life safety equipment.

(9) Occupancy limits require no more than eight (8) renters allowed at any one time on the rental property to minimize any life-safety issues and noise levels.

(10) There will be a minimum distance of five hundred feet (500') between individual short-term rentals.

(11) Perimeter fencing at least four feet (4') in height around pools on the property is required.

(12) The property owner operating a short-term rental following the effective date of passage of these requirements may continue to operate such use with a valid business license and STRP until such time as property is sold, transferred, or discontinues operation for at least thirty (30) continuous months. (as added by Ord. #8-22, October 2022 ***Ch15_11-07-23***)