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AN ORDINANCE

authorizing a temporary deviation from certain City Code provisions relating to the renewal or term of licenses or permits for liquor, businesses, solicitors and canvassers, cigarettes, vehicles for hire, junk dealers and junkyards, and tobacco retail sales; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is considered an infectious, highly contagious communicable and dangerous disease and on March 11, 2020 was declared by the World Health Organization to be a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 pandemic there have been declarations of emergency enacted by the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of Missouri and the City of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2020 due to presence of COVID-19 and the existence of community spread of the disease within the City, the Director of Public Health and Human Services ("Director") issued a Stay at Home Order mandating all persons within the City of Columbia stay at home or at their place of residence except for carrying out Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses and Operations as more fully set forth in such order; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has dramatically altered the manner in which local businesses may operate and persons travel within the city and the Council finds that temporarily altering certain City Code requirements relating to the renewal or term of licenses or permits for liquor, businesses, solicitors and canvassers, cigarettes, vehicles for hire, junk dealers and junkyards, and tobacco retail sales, to be in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Columbia and desires to extend deadlines for such; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further finds such enactment will cause no harm to the public and is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Columbia and advisable to promote and protect the public health, safety and general welfare of the city.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Incorporation of findings. The City Council makes and reaffirms the findings set forth above and incorporates the same by reference as if fully set forth herein.

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SECTION 2. Section 4-2 provisions relating to the renewal of a license for the sale of liquor temporarily modified. The provisions of Section 4-2 of the City Code relating to the renewal of a license for the sale of alcohol are hereby temporarily modified to extend the renewal date for such licenses to August 31, 2020. All other existing requirements relating to liquor license renewals shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. Section 4-5 provisions relating to submittal of an application for the renewal of a liquor license temporarily modified. The provisions of Section 4-5 of the City Code relating to the application for the renewal of a license for the sale of alcohol are hereby temporarily modified to extend the application due date to July 1, 2020. Late charges for failure to submit an application for renewal on or before July 1, 2020 shall be extended as follows:

July 2–31, 2020	\$100.00
August 1–31, 2020	\$200.00
September 1–30, 2020	\$300.00

All other existing requirements relating to the application for the renewal of a liquor license shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. Section 13-26 provisions relating to the term of license for certain businesses temporarily modified. The provisions of Section 13-26 of the City Code relating to the term of license for businesses described in Article II of Chapter 13 are hereby temporarily modified to extend the effective date of existing licenses to July 31, 2020. All other existing requirements relating to licenses for businesses shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. Section 13-232 provisions relating to the expiration of permits for solicitors and canvassers temporarily modified. The provisions of Section 13-232 of the City Code relating to the expiration of permits for solicitors and canvassers are hereby temporarily modified to extend the effective date of existing licenses to July 31, 2020. All other existing requirements relating to solicitors and canvassers shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. Section 26-50 provisions relating to the expiration of licenses for cigarettes temporarily modified. The provisions of Section 26-50 of the City Code relating to the expiration of licenses for cigarettes is hereby temporarily modified to extend the effective date of existing licenses to July 31, 2020. All other existing requirements relating to licenses for cigarettes shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. Section 28-85 provisions relating to the duration and renewal of permits for taxicabs and limousines temporarily modified. The provisions of Section 28-85 of the City Code relating to the duration and renewal of permits taxicabs and limousines are hereby temporarily modified to extend the effective date of existing permits

until July 31, 2020. All other existing requirements relating to taxicabs and limousines shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 8. Section 28-117 provisions relating to the duration and renewal of permits for vehicles for hire temporarily modified. The provisions of Section 28-117 of the City Code relating to the duration and renewal of permits for vehicles for hire are hereby temporarily modified to extend the effective date of existing permits until July 31, 2020. All other existing requirements relating to vehicles for hire shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 9. Section 11-200 provisions relating to the duration and renewal of licenses for junkards or junk dealers temporarily modified. The provisions of Section 11-200 of the City Code relating to the duration and renewal of licenses for junkyards or junk dealers are hereby temporarily modified to extend the effective date of existing licenses until July 31, 2020. All other existing requirements relating to junkyards or junk dealers shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 10. Section 11-311 provisions relating to the duration and renewal of tobacco retail licenses temporarily modified. The provisions of Section 11-311 of the City Code relating to the duration and renewal of tobacco retail licenses are hereby temporarily modified to extend the effective date of existing licenses until July 31, 2020. All other existing requirements relating to tobacco retail licenses shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. Ordinance supersedes any prior code, policy or practice. To the extent any provision of the City Code or prior policy or practice of the City Council is in conflict with this ordinance, the provisions of this ordinance shall supersede such provisions.

SECTION 12. Enactment. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this 44 day of 2020.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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