

**ORDINANCE NO. 6292**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FAIRBANKS GENERAL CODE SEC. 14-167  
AND SEC. 14-214 TO REQUIRE WRITTEN NOTICE TO LICENSEES OF  
HEARINGS FOR ALCOHOL AND MARIJUANA LICENSE APPLICATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, Fairbanks General Code (FGC) Chapter 14 sets forth procedures for the City's review of alcoholic beverage and marijuana license applications forwarded to the City by the State Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office; and

**WHEREAS**, currently, there is no requirement in the Fairbanks General Code for the City Clerk to notify licensees when an application for transfer or renewal will be before the City Council for a public hearing and review; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council wishes to provide more opportunity for alcoholic beverage and marijuana licensees to engage with the City Council when their license application is before the City Council for review.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA**, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** That Fairbanks General Code Section 14-167 is hereby amended as follows [new text in **underlined/bold** font; deleted text in ~~striketrough~~ font]:

**Sec. 14-167. – Procedure for review of licenses.**

(a) Upon receipt of notice from the state alcoholic beverage control board that the board intends to approve an application for a transfer, renewal or new alcoholic beverage license of any type, the city clerk shall cause the fire and police chiefs, and director of finance to make appropriate investigations within their respective areas of responsibility and to forward written statements of any reasons why the city should object to the proposed approval by the state alcoholic beverage control board. The building official shall be asked to review applications for premises within buildings not previously used for the sale of alcoholic beverages.

**(b) The city clerk shall schedule a public hearing for the alcohol license application at a regular city council meeting within the 60-day response period allowed by state law and shall send written notice of the date and time of the hearing to the licensee or their designee at least 10 days prior to the hearing date.**

~~(c)~~ The mayor shall report to the city council any objections to the board's proposed approval of a license which have been submitted to him. If the mayor determines that an interest of the city can be protected by protesting approval of the license, he shall inform the city council.

~~(d)~~ A fee, as set forth in the city's schedule of fees and charges for services, will

be charged for the city's processing of an application for a temporary caterer's permit.

**SECTION 2.** That Fairbanks General Code Section 14-214 is hereby amended as follows [new text in underlined/bold font; deleted text in strikethrough font]:

**Sec. 14-214. - Procedure for review of licenses.**

(a) Upon receipt of notice from AMCO that it is considering an application for a transfer, renewal, or new marijuana establishment license of any type, the city clerk will direct the fire and police chiefs, the building official, and the chief financial officer to make appropriate investigations within their respective areas of responsibility and to forward written statements to the clerk's office of any reasons why the city should object to the approval of the application.

**(b) The city clerk shall schedule a public hearing for the marijuana license application at a regular city council meeting within the 60-day response period allowed by state law and shall send written notice of the date and time of the hearing to the licensee or their designee at least 10 days prior to the hearing date.**

~~(c)~~ The city clerk will report to the city council any objections to approval of an application which have been submitted.

~~(d)~~ For all new marijuana establishment licenses and license transfers referred to the city by AMCO,


~~(1) The city clerk will duly advertise in a newspaper of general circulation in the Fairbanks area the date, time, and place where the city council will consider the proposed application and in addition, for all new marijuana establishment licenses, will send copies of such advertisement by mail to all owners of record of land within 1,000 feet of where the marijuana establishment will be located under the proposed new license; and~~

~~(2) On the date and time set for consideration of the proposed application, the city council will hear all interested citizens who may wish to express their opinions on the application.~~

**(e) On the date and time set for consideration of the proposed application, the city council will hear all interested citizens who may wish to express their opinions on the application.**

~~(f)~~ The city council will determine by motion whether or not to object to the approval by AMCO of the application for the transfer, renewal, or new marijuana establishment license. The city council will consider any written objection, protest, suggested condition, petition, and any testimony received at the public hearing when it considers the application. If the city council objects to approval of the application, the city clerk will prepare and lodge an appropriate protest with AMCO within 60 days of receipt of the proposed application.

**SECTION 3.** That the effective date of this Ordinance shall be five days after adoption.

  
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David Pruhs, City Mayor

YEAS: Tidwell, Sprinkle, Ringstad, Marney, Therrien, Cleworth  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ADOPTED: October 28, 2024

ATTEST:

  
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D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney