



Bill No. 5003

Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

INTRODUCED BY

ALDERMEN UTT, FINLEY, STALLMANN, HAUG, FLEMING, WEAVER, LEHMKUHL, SIEGEL

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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TIME REQUIREMENTS FOR CALCULATING AND PRORATING BUSINESS LICENSE FEES.**

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BALLWIN, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 14-76 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Ballwin shall be amended as follows:

**Sec. 14-76. Determination.**

(a) Every business or occupation as defined in section 1-2 in the city, except as otherwise provided, shall pay within 15 days after the beginning of each license year an annual license fee in the sum of the flat fee specified in this article, except that any business or occupation not specified in this article or any ordinance of the city, shall pay an annual license fee of \$50.00. Such fees shall be due and payable at the time of commencing of operations or business in the city by any business or occupation and thereafter within 15 days after the beginning of each license year.

(b) Any merchant, business or occupation commencing retail sales operations or business in the city during any license year shall pay at the time of such commencement a license fee based on estimated gross receipts for the remainder of the calendar year, which shall be filed by such merchant, business or occupation at or before the time of commencement of operations or business, and such merchant, business or occupation shall, within 15 days after the end of such fractional license year, file an estimated return for the ensuing license year and pay at that time a license fee based on such estimates; provided, however, that within one month after the end of each license year of estimated gross receipts, such merchant, business or occupation shall file a statement of actual gross receipts and shall pay an additional tax, if any, based on such actual gross receipts; provided, however, that any payment of a license fee based on estimated gross receipts which shall be in excess of the amount due to the city shall be refunded if it has not been deducted with the license fee for the ensuing year.

Section 2. Section 14-82 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Ballwin shall be amended as follows:

**Sec. 14-82. Prorating.**

For any license fee set forth in section 14-78, licensed for the first time 60 days prior to March 31 of any year, the full yearly amount of the license fee shall be charged; for any such license fee at the first time due in any succeeding quarter, the license fee shall be prorated to include the quarter paid and the remainder of the license year. In the event that a business located within the municipal boundaries closes or relocates within the license period, a prorated refund of license fees paid for remaining months may be requested in writing.



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Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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*TIM POGUE, MAYOR*

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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*TIM POGUE, MAYOR*

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
*ERIC STERMAN, CITY ADMINISTRATOR*