

RESOLUTION NO. 1209

**A RESOLUTION REGARDING A REDUCTION OF ALL 2024 CITY OF CREST HILL  
BUSINESS LICENSE ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES UNTIL JUNE 1, 2024  
PENDING A REVIEW AND AMENDMENT OF THE CITY OF CREST HILL  
BUSINESS LICENSE FEE ORDINANCES AND SECTION 5.04.120 OF THE CITY OF  
CREST HILL CODE OF ORDINANCES**

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**WHEREAS**, the Corporate Authorities of the City of Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois, have the authority to adopt resolutions and to promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to the City's government and affairs and protect the public health, safety, and welfare of its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Crest Hill has the authority to adopt ordinances and to promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to its government and affairs and protect the public health, safety, and welfare of its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Corporate Authorities of the City of Crest Hill has heretofore adopted a comprehensive set of Ordinances governing businesses and the issuing of business licenses in the City of Crest Hill located in Title 5 BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS Chapters 5.04 through 5.77, including Section 5.04.120 which assesses an administrative penalty of three times the amount of each business license for late application or payment of business license fees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Corporate Authorities have determined to further evaluate the administrative penalties and the potential impact of such an administrative penalty on business owners within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, to further study and investigate the impact of Section 5.04.120, the Corporate Authorities have determined to offer a one-time reduction in all currently assessed 2024 administrative penalties which have been assessed to businesses in the City which have failed to pay their annual business license fees in violation of the City Code pending the review and possible amendment of Section 5.04.120 and Title 5; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Crest Hill, Illinois, pursuant to its statutory authority, as follows:

**SECTION 1: PREAMBLE.** The City Council hereby finds that all the recitals contained in the preamble to this Resolution are true, correct, and complete and are hereby incorporated by reference thereto and made a part hereof.

**SECTION 2: CURRENT ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES TO BE OFFERED AT A REDUCTION.** The City Council hereby orders and directs that the City Clerk's office shall not assess any additional administrative penalties or late fees other than the current penalties assessed pursuant to Section 5.04.120 until June 1, 2024, and any administrative penalties assessed prior to

June 1, 2024 shall be offered to businesses which are currently late in obtaining their business licenses, as follows;

- Any business which is currently late in paying its business license fee can obtain its business license after the effective date of this Resolution and March 31, 2024 by paying the required license fee and the administrative penalty, which shall be reduced by seventy-five percent (75%).
- Any business which is currently late in paying its business license fee can obtain its business license after March 31, 2024 and before April 30, 2024 by paying the required license fee and the administrative penalty, which shall be reduced by fifty percent (50%) percent.
- Any business which is currently late in paying its business license fee can obtain its business license after April 30, 2024 and before May 31, 2024 by paying the required license fee and the administrative penalty, which shall be reduced by twenty-five percent (25%).
- Any business which has paid any 2024 administrative penalty in full shall be entitled to a refund of seventy-five percent (75%) of the administrative penalty already paid.

No administrative citations shall be issued for operating a business without a license until June 1, 2024. Currently issued administrative citations will be dismissed by the City at the administrative hearing if the business has paid its license fee in full along with the reduced administrative penalty.

Any business license administrative penalties issued in 2024 which are not paid as of 12:01 a.m. June 1, 2024 shall not be subject to reduction. The reduction of administrative penalties contemplated by this Resolution shall not affect business license administrative penalties issued in 2025 or thereafter.

**SECTION 3: SEVERABILITY.** If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Resolution is held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution.

**SECTION 4: REPEALER.** All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, which conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

**SECTION 5: EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and publication according to law.


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PASSED THIS 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2024.

	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Alderman John Vershay			✓	
Alderman Scott Dyke	✓			
Alderwoman Claudia Gazal	✓			
Alderman Darrell Jefferson	✓			
Alderpersion Tina Oberlin		✓		
Alderman Mark Cipiti		✓		
Alderman Nate Albert	✓			
Alderman Joe Kubal			✓	
Mayor Raymond R. Soliman				

  
Christine Vershay-Hall, City Clerk

APPROVED THIS 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2024.

  
Raymond R. Soliman, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Christine Vershay-Hall, City Clerk