CITY OF MERIDIAN ORDINANCE NO. 25-2080

BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

CAVENER, LITTLE ROBERTS, OVERTON, STRADER, TAYLOR, WHITLOCK

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MERIDIAN CITY CODE SECTION 3-3-2(B)(12), REGARDING COLLECTION OF FINGERPRINTS FOR CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK OF APPLICANTS FOR VEHICLE IMMOBILIZATION LICENSES; AMENDING MERIDIAN CITY CODE SECTION 3-4-2(A)(5)(A)(5), REGARDING COLLECTION OF FINGERPRINTS FOR CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK OF APPLICANTS FOR MOBILE SALES UNIT LICENSES; AMENDING MERIDIAN CITY CODE SECTION 3-5-2(B)(5), REGARDING COLLECTION OF FINGERPRINTS FOR CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK OF APPLICANTS FOR PAWNBROKER LICENSES; AMENDING MERIDIAN CITY CODE SECTION 3-9-3(B)(2), REGARDING COLLECTION OF FINGERPRINTS FOR CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK OF APPLICANTS FOR PRECIOUS METAL DEALER LICENSES; REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, as a condition of issuing a Vehicle Immobilization License, Mobile Sales Unit License, Pawnbroker License, or Precious Metal Dealer License, the City of Meridian requires applicants for such license to submit to a review of the applicant's criminal history by providing a set of the applicant's fingerprints;

WHEREAS, the applicant's fingerprints as submitted to the Idaho State Police and compared with the National Crime Information Center and its incorporated criminal history databases, including the Interstate Identification Index, which are maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in order to locate criminal history record information, pursuant to Meridian City Code section 3-1-2, Idaho Code section 67-3008, Public Law 92-544, and 28 U.S. Code § 534(a)(4);

WHEREAS, the City Clerk's Office of the City of Meridian is required by the following provisions of Meridian City Code to collect the applicant's fingerprint set by providing the applicant a blank fingerprint card and directing the applicant to the ISP headquarters, where ISP rolls the applicant's prints, using ink, and the applicant then returns the completed fingerprint card to the Clerk's Office with other required application materials:

Meridian City Code section 3-3-2(B)(12) (Vehicle Immobilization License), Meridian City Code section 3-4-2(A)(5)(a)(5) (Mobile Sales Unit License), Meridian City Code section 3-5-2(B)(5) (Pawnbroker License), and Meridian City Code section 3-9-3(B)(2) (Precious Metal Dealer License);

WHEREAS, the City Clerk's Office has obtained livescan fingerprinting equipment, which streamlines the fingerprinting process and provides improved customer service by allowing the Clerk's Office to collect applicants' fingerprints digitally at City Hall, thereby eliminating the additional travel, time, paperwork, and fee involved with the current process, and also providing a better rendering of the fingerprints of applicants whose fingertips may be damaged or worn; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Meridian finds that it is in the best interest of the people of the City of Meridian to facilitate this change in workflow to be undertaken by the City Clerk's Office by making the following changes to City Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, ADA COUNTY, IDAHO:

- **Section 1.** That Meridian City Code section 3-3-2(B)(12) shall be amended as follows:
- 12. Fingerprints, taken by the Idaho State Police, of the applicant, provided to Idaho State Police or the City Clerk's Office, in the form and as required by the City Clerk.
- **Section 2.** That Meridian City Code section 3-4-2(A)(5)(a)(5) shall be amended as follows:
- 5. Fingerprints, taken by the Idaho State Police, of the applicant, provided to Idaho State Police or the City Clerk's Office, in the form and as required by the City Clerk.
 - **Section 3.** That Meridian City Code section 3-5-2(B)(5) shall be amended as follows:
- 5. Fingerprints, taken by the Idaho State Police, of the applicant, provided to Idaho State Police or the City Clerk's Office, in the form and as required by the City Clerk, except that an applicant renewing an existing license is exempt from this provision.
 - **Section 4.** That Meridian City Code section 3-9-3(B)(2) shall be amended as follows:
- 2. Fingerprints, taken by the Idaho state police, of the applicant, provided to Idaho State Police or the City Clerk's Office, in the form and as required by the City Clerk, except that an applicant renewing an existing license is exempt from this provision.
- **Section 5.** That all City of Meridian ordinances, or parts thereof, that are in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.
- **Section 6.** That this ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.
- **PASSED** by the City Council of the City of Meridian, Idaho, this 22nd day of April, 2025.
 - **APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Meridian, Idaho, this 22nd day of April, 2025.

APPROVED:	AIIESI:
Robert E. Simison, Mayor	Chris Johnson, City Clerk
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William L. M. Nary, City Attorney	_

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SUMMARY OF CITY OF MERIDIAN ORDINANCE NO. 25 -2080:

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An ordinance amending Meridian City Code section 3-3-2(B)(12), regarding collection of fingerprints for criminal background check of applicants for Vehicle Immobilization Licenses; amending Meridian City Code section 3-4-2(A)(5)(a)(5), regarding collection of fingerprints for criminal background check of applicants for Mobile Sales Unit Licenses; amending Meridian City Code section 3-5-2(B)(5), regarding collection of fingerprints for criminal background check of applicants for Pawnbroker Licenses; amending Meridian City Code section 3-9-3(B)(2), regarding collection of fingerprints for criminal background check of applicants for Precious Metal Dealer Licenses; repealing conflicting ordinances; and providing an effective date. The full text of this ordinance is available at Meridian City Hall, City Clerk's Office, 33 E. Broadway Avenue, Meridian, Idaho.