

ORDINANCE NO. 5943

**AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL FAIRBANKS GENERAL CODE
CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE III TRANSIENT VENDORS AND
REENACT IT AS ARTICLE III MULTI-VENDOR EVENTS**

WHEREAS, the City adopted Business Licensing requirements in 2007 and by doing so made the intent of the transient vendor permit less clear and defined; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to overhaul the transient vendor license requirements; and

WHEREAS, retaining multi-vendor event requirements is necessary to allow for several temporary, transient-style businesses in one location; and

WHEREAS, the proposed changes will make the Code sections pertaining to multi-vendors more consistent with other Code sections governing business and occupational licensing; and

WHEREAS, the season of transient-style operations usually begins in earnest in the spring, so it is desirable that the requirements for multi-vendor events be better defined by then; and

WHEREAS, the proposed changes will streamline the application process,

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

SECTION 1. Fairbanks General Code Chapter 14, Article III Transient Vendors, is hereby repealed and reenacted as Chapter 14, Article III Multi-Vendor Events as follows:

ARTICLE III. MULTI-VENDOR EVENTS.

Sec. 14-71. Definitions.

Multi-vendor event means an event such as a public show, bazaar, marketplace, festival, trade show, or other activity involving multiple vendors held at a single location. This includes events taking place with the same vendors over multiple weeks at a single location, not to exceed 15 cumulative days within a calendar year. Exempt from this article are events held for the primary purpose of providing basic, on-site health and wellness services at no cost.

Multiple-vendor event permit means a permit issued by the city clerk to the sponsor of a multi-vendor event.

Sponsor means any individual, business or organization that organizes and manages a multi-vendor event.

Sec. 14-72. Permit required.

(a) No person or organization shall sponsor a multi-vendor event without first obtaining a multi-vendor event permit from the city clerk.

(b) Sponsors shall display the multi-vendor event permit on site at all times during the event.

(c) It shall be a violation of this article for any person who owns, leases, or controls real property to knowingly allow a multi-vendor event to take place upon the premises unless a valid multi-vendor event permit is in effect.

Sec. 14-73. Application for permit; standards for issuance of permit.

(a) Applications for permits issued under this article shall be made upon forms prepared and made available by the city clerk and must state:

- (1) The full name, mailing address and phone number of the event manager and, if applicable, the business or organization sponsoring the event.
- (2) The name, date(s) and location and number of participating vendors of the event. Events that are recurring or involve less than 20 vendors must provide a complete list of participating vendors.
- (3) Whether the event will require closure of city streets and/or sidewalks. Events requiring city street or sidewalk closure may be required to obtain a special event permit as outlined in FGC Section 78-572.
- (4) Such other information as the city clerk may find reasonably necessary to effectuate the general purpose of this article and to make a fair determination of whether the terms of this article have been met.

(b) The sponsor must have a current city and state business license, unless exempted under FGC Sections 14-601 through 14-604.

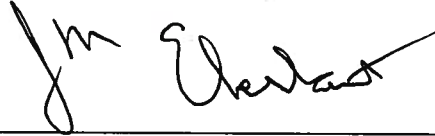
(c) The multi-vendor event permit fees are as set forth in the city's Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services.

(d) All permits issued under this article shall be for the term of the event and shall not be transferrable.

Sec 14-74. Penalties.

A sponsor who conducts a multi-vendor event without having a valid multi-vendor event permit shall, upon conviction, be punished as provided in FGC Sec. 1-15.

SECTION 2. That the effective date of this Ordinance shall be the 26th day of April 2014.




John Eberhart, City Mayor

AYES: Hilling, Anderson, Walley, Staley, Matherly, Gatewood
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ADOPTED: April 21, 2014

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

for 
Janey Hovenden, MMC, City Clerk


Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney