

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 6875

AN ORDINANCE amending Section 4.03.025 of the Bellevue City Code pursuant to a mandatory Business License Model Ordinance update and to make minor technical changes to align with the Model Ordinance.

WHEREAS, in Title 4 of the Bellevue City Code, the City Council has adopted the mandatory Business License Model Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, changes have been made to the mandatory Business License Model Ordinance regarding the minimum threshold exemption, requiring an amendment to Bellevue City Code; and

WHEREAS, minor technical changes are needed to the existing code; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 4.03.025(A)(1) of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Beginning January 1, 2019, any person or business whose annual value of products, gross proceeds of sales, or gross income of the business in the city is equal to or less than \$2,000 and who does not maintain a place of business within the city shall be exempt from the general business license requirements in this chapter.

Section 2. A new paragraph is added to Section 4.03.025(A)(1), immediately following the preceding paragraph, as follows:

Beginning January 1, 2026, the threshold amount is \$4,000. The threshold amount will be adjusted every forty-eight months on January 1 by an amount equal to the increase in the Consumer Price Index ("CPI") for "West Urban, All Urban Consumers" (CPI-U) for each twelve-month period ending on June 30 as published by the United States Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics or successor agency. To calculate this adjustment, the current rate will be multiplied by one plus the cumulative four-year (forty-eight month) CPI increase using each 12-month period ending on June 30th of each prior year and rounded to the nearest \$100.00. However, if any of the annual CPI increases are more than five (5) percent, a five (5) percent increase will be used in computing the annual basis and if any of the annual CPI decreased during the forty-eight month period, a zero (0) increase will be used in computing the annual basis.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its passage and legal publication.

Passed by the City Council this _____ day of _____, 2025
and signed in authentication of its passage this _____ day of _____,
2025.

(SEAL)

Lynne Robinson, Mayor

Approved as to form:
Trisna Tanus, City Attorney

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Attest:

Charmaine Arredondo, City Clerk

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