

Required Changes to the Business License Code

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Purpose/Agenda

- Background and briefing on the changes required by state law
- Council discussion and direction

Background

- In 2008, the state mandated every city that requires a business license to adopt the “model ordinance”
- Updated in 2012 in response to law changes
- Updates are routine and normal every 4 or more years

Updated needed

- In 2017, in response to concerns from owners of small business, State passed legislation requiring a limited update to the “model ordinance”
 - Establishes the minimum threshold of \$2,000 for obtaining a business license
 - Updating the definition of engaging in business
 - Adoption is required by January 1, 2019

Impact of Update

- There is no increase in business license fees
- Impact to the city is small,
 - 10-15 businesses will no longer file for business license resulting in small amount in lost revenue

Next Steps

- Based on direction tonight, staff will return at a future meeting requesting formal action to update the needed code changes