

## STAFF REPORT

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**Date:** December 6, 2017

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**Thru:** Sabra Newby, City Manager

**Subject:** **J.5. Staff Report (For Possible Action): Presentation, discussion and potential direction to staff to amend Title 4, Chapter 4.04, entitled "General Provisions" of the Reno Municipal Business License Code, Sections 4.04.150 and 4.04.180 to revise standards for license suspension or revocation and duties of licensee; together with other matters properly relating thereto. This item was continued from the November 15, 2017 City Council meeting.**

**From:** Michael Chaump, Business Relations Manager

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**Summary:** This is a request for direction to amend Title 4, Chapter 4.04 of the Reno Municipal Code (RMC) entitled "General Provisions", by revising Section 4.04.150 and Section 4.04.180 to add additional clarity of the standards for license suspension or revocation and duties of licensees; together with other matters properly relating thereto.

**Background:** Title 4 of RMC established the minimum procedural requirements for business licenses issued by the City and is known as the Business License Code. The provisions of this title apply to all businesses in the City, including licenses pertaining to privileged businesses or franchises (Title 5). Nothing in this title shall be deemed or construed to exempt an organization from complying with provisions of any other ordinance of the city, including but not limited to permit requirements, zoning requirements, nuisance ordinances and restrictions on privileged or legal activities.

**Discussion:** Staff proposes changes to RMC Title 4, Chapter 4.04, Section 4.04.150 entitled "Grounds for denial, revocation, suspension and summary suspension of license; grounds for denial of application or renewal" include the addition of clarifying language to the standards used in determining grounds for suspension or revocation and summary suspension by the order of the police chief or fire chief whenever there is probable cause to believe that extraordinary circumstances have arisen which are an immediate threat to public health, safety or welfare of the public.

The proposed changes to RMC Title 4, Chapter 4.04, Section 4.04.180 entitled "Duties of licensee" include the removal of duplicative language and the addition of minor grammatical

changes to provide additional clarity and readability to the standards of conduct.

**Financial Implications:** None at this time.

**Legal Implications:** Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada Law.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends Council accept the staff report and direct staff to bring an ordinance forward for a first reading.

**Proposed Motion:** I move to approve staff recommendation.