

MAYOR
CHRISTIE RAINWATER

CITY ADMINISTRATOR
MIKE COCHRAN



CITY COUNCIL
KEVIN HEDGPETH, MAYOR PRO-TEM
KEN BOGGS
JEFF C. CHANDLER
MIKE DYSON
MICHAEL SALLY
ADAM SPURLOCK

AGENDA
Hanahan City Council Meeting
Tuesday, November 9, 2021, 6:30PM
Debbie Lewis Municipal Chambers
1255 Yeamans Hall Road, Hanahan, SC 29410

AGENDA ITEM

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE

Call to Order

Christie Rainwater, Mayor

Invocation

Pastor Justin Cabit, Restoration Community Church

Pledge of Allegiance

Michael Sally, Council Member

RECOGNITIONS:

A. Citizen of the Month

Christie Rainwater, Mayor

B. Employee of the Month

Mike Cochran, City Administrator

C. Small Business Saturday Proclamation

Ken Boggs, Council Member

D. Diabetes Awareness Month Proclamation

Jeff Chandler, Council Member

CITIZENS COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the Minutes from the October 12, 2021 City Council Meeting

City Council

NEW BUSINESS

1. Public Hearing, Introduction & First Reading
Ordinance #5-2021 – An Ordinance to Repeal and Replace Business License Ordinance in Accordance with the Business License Standardization Act (2020 ACT. NO. 176)

Mike Cochran, City Administrator

2. Public Hearing, Introduction & First Reading
Ordinance #6-2021 – An Ordinance to Provide For Noise Control In the City of Hanahan; to Provide for Penalties Thereof; to Repeal Ordinance No. 26-32 In Its Entirety; And Other Matters Related Thereto

Mike Cochran, City Administrator

3. Announce 53-Acre Park Name

Christie Rainwater, Mayor

REPORTS AND COMMENTS

- A. Citizens Comments
- B. City Administrator's Report
- C. Mayor and Council Comments

ADJOURNMENT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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CITY OF HANAHAN)
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ORDINANCE 5-2021

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AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT A REVISED BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BUSINESS LICENSE STANDARDIZATION ACT (2020 ACT NO. 176)

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WHEREAS, in September 2020 the South Carolina General Assembly adopted the South Carolina Business License Tax Standardization Act (2020 Act No. 176), now codified at S.C. Code Sections 6-1-400 to 6-1-420 (the "Act");

WHEREAS, the Act requires all municipalities and counties that impose a business license tax to adopt a standard business license year of May 1 through April 30;

WHEREAS, the Act requires all municipalities and counties that impose a business license tax to utilize the Act's standardized business licensing requirements and class schedule;

WHEREAS, the Act requires all municipalities and counties to update their business license class schedules every odd year based on the latest available IRS statistics; and

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the requirements of the Act, the City of Hanahan (the "Municipality") has prepared the attached 2022 Business License Ordinance, which is incorporated herein by reference;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of the City of Hanahan, South Carolina, that:

1. The attached 2022 Business License Ordinance is hereby adopted and shall become effective beginning with the business license period commencing on May 1, 2022.
2. All prior ordinances of the Municipality related to business licensing which are in effect at the time of this enactment are hereby repealed and replaced in their entirety with the 2022 Business License Ordinance; provided that any prior ordinances of the Municipality related to collections programs administered by the Municipal Association of South Carolina, including without limitation the Insurance Tax Collection Program (ITCP), the Brokers Tax Collection Program (BTCP), the Telecommunications Tax Collection Program (TTCP), and Setoff Debt Collection Program, shall remain in full force and effect in


accordance with their terms except to the extent specifically amended by the 2022 Business License Ordinance.

DONE AND RATIFIED in Council assembled on this 12 day of ~~October~~ 2021.

THIS ORDINANCE shall be effective upon second reading approval thereof.


Christie Rainwater, Mayor

ATTEST:

 City Clerk and Treasurer

First Reading: Oct. 12, 2021

Second Reading: Nov. 9, 2021

2022 MODEL BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE

Section 1. License Required. Every person engaged or intending to engage in any business, calling, occupation, profession, or activity engaged in with the object of gain, benefit, or advantage, in whole or in part within the limits of the City of Hanahan, South Carolina, is required to pay an annual license tax for the privilege of doing business and obtain a business license as herein provided.

Section 2. Definitions. The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this ordinance, shall have the meaning ascribed herein. Defined terms are not capitalized when used in this ordinance unless the context otherwise requires.

“Business” means any business, calling, occupation, profession, or activity engaged in with the object of gain, benefit, or advantage, either directly or indirectly.

“Charitable Organization” means an organization that is determined by the Internal Revenue Service to be exempt from Federal income taxes under 26 U.S.C. Section 501(c)(3), (4), (6), (7), (8), (10) or (19).

“Charitable Purpose” means a benevolent, philanthropic, patriotic, or eleemosynary purpose that does not result in personal gain to a sponsor, organizer, officer, director, trustee, or person with ultimate control of the organization.

“Classification” means that division of businesses by NAICS codes subject to the same license rate as determined by a calculated index of ability to pay based on national averages, benefits, equalization of tax burden, relationships of services, or other basis deemed appropriate by the Council.

“Council” means the City Council of the City of Hanahan, South Carolina.

“Domicile” means a principal place from which the trade or business of a licensee is conducted, directed, or managed. For purposes of this ordinance, a licensee may be deemed to have more than one domicile.

“Gross Income” means the gross receipts or gross revenue of a business, received or accrued, for one calendar or fiscal year collected or to be collected from business done within the Municipality. If the licensee has a domicile within the Municipality, business done within the Municipality shall include all gross receipts or revenue received or accrued by such licensee. If the licensee does not have a domicile within the Municipality, business done within the Municipality shall include only gross receipts or revenue received or accrued within the Municipality. In all cases, if the licensee pays a business license tax to another county or municipality, then the licensee’s gross income for the purpose of computing the tax within the Municipality must be reduced by the amount of revenues or receipts taxed in the other county or municipality and fully reported to the Municipality. Gross income for business license tax purposes shall not include taxes collected for a governmental entity, escrow funds, or funds that are the property of a third party. The value of bartered goods or trade-in merchandise shall be included in gross income. The gross receipts or gross revenues for business license purposes may be verified by inspection of returns and reports filed with the Internal Revenue Service, the South Carolina Department of Revenue, the South Carolina Department of Insurance, or other

government agencies. In calculating gross income for certain businesses, the following rules shall apply:

- A. Gross income for agents shall be calculated on gross commissions received or retained, unless otherwise specified. If commissions are divided with other brokers or agents, then only the amount retained by the broker or agent is considered gross income.
- B. Except as specifically required by S.C. Code § 38-7-20, gross income for insurance companies shall be calculated on gross premiums written.
- C. Gross income for manufacturers of goods or materials with a location in the Municipality shall be calculated on the lesser of (i) gross revenues or receipts received or accrued from business done at the location, (ii) the amount of income allocated and apportioned to that location by the business for purposes of the business's state income tax return, or (iii) the amount of expenses attributable to the location as a cost center of the business. Licensees reporting gross income under this provision shall have the burden to establish the amount and method of calculation by satisfactory records and proof. Manufacturers include those taxpayers reporting a manufacturing principal business activity code on their federal income tax returns.

"License Official" means a person designated to administer this ordinance. Notwithstanding the designation of a primary license official, the Municipality may designate one or more alternate license officials to administer particular types of business licenses, including without limitation for business licenses issued to businesses subject to business license taxes under Article 20, Chapter 9, Title 58, and Chapters 7 and 45, Title 38, of the South Carolina Code.

"Licensee" means the business, the person applying for the license on behalf of the business, an agent or legal representative of the business, a person who receives any part of the net profit of the business, or a person who owns or exercises control of the business.

"Municipality" means the City of Hanahan, South Carolina.

"NAICS" means the North American Industry Classification System for the United States published under the auspices of the Federal Office of Management and Budget.

"Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, cooperative non-profit membership, corporation, joint venture, association, estate, trust, business trust, receiver, syndicate, holding company, or other group or combination acting as a unit, in the singular or plural, and the agent or employee having charge or control of a business in the absence of the principal.

Section 3. Purpose and Duration. The business license required by this ordinance is for the purpose of providing such regulation as may be required for the business subject thereto and for the purpose of raising revenue for the general fund through a privilege tax. Except as set forth below for business licenses issued to contractors with respect to specific construction projects, each yearly license shall be issued for the twelve-month period of May 1 to April 30. A business license issued for a construction contract may, at the request of the licensee, be stated to expire at the completion of the construction project; *provided*, any such business license may require that the licensee file, by each April 30 during the continuation of the construction project, a

statement of compliance, including but not limited to a revised estimate of the value of the contract. If any revised estimate of the final value of such project exceeds the amount for which the business license was issued, the licensee shall be required to pay a license fee at the then-prevailing rate on the excess amount. The provisions of this ordinance and the rates herein shall remain in effect from year to year as amended by the Council.

Section 4. Business License Tax, Refund.

- A. The required business license tax shall be paid for each business subject hereto according to the applicable rate classification on or before the due date of the 30th day of April in each year, except for those businesses in Rate Class 8 for which a different due date is specified. Late payments shall be subject to penalties as set forth in Section 12 hereof, except that admitted insurance companies may pay before June 1 without penalty.
- B. A separate license shall be required for each place of business and for each classification or business conducted at one place. If gross income cannot be separated for classifications at one location, the business license tax shall be computed on the combined gross income for the classification requiring the highest rate. The business license tax must be computed based on the licensee's gross income for the calendar year preceding the due date, for the licensee's twelve-month fiscal year preceding the due date, or on a twelve-month projected income based on the monthly average for a business in operation for less than one year. The business license tax for a new business must be computed on the estimated probable gross income for the balance of the license year. A business license related to construction contract projects may be issued on a per-project basis, at the option of the taxpayer. No refund shall be made for a business that is discontinued.
- C. A licensee that submits a payment greater than the amount owed may request a refund. To be considered, a refund request must be submitted in writing to the Municipality before the June 1 immediately following the April 30 on which the payment was due and must be supported by adequate documentation supporting the refund request. The Municipality shall approve or deny the refund request, and if approved shall issue the refund to the business, within thirty days after receipt of the request.

Section 5. Registration Required.

- A. The owner, agent, or legal representative of every business subject to this ordinance, whether listed in the classification index or not, shall register the business and make application for a business license on or before the due date of each year; *provided*, a new business shall be required to have a business license prior to operation within the Municipality, and an annexed business shall be required to have a business license within thirty (30) days of the annexation. A license for a bar (NAICS 722410) must be issued in the name of the individual who has been issued the corresponding state alcohol, beer, or wine permit or license and will have actual control and management of the business.
- B. Application shall be on the then-current standard business license application as established and provided by the Director of the South Carolina Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office and shall be accompanied by all information about the applicant, the licensee, and

the business deemed appropriate to carry out the purpose of this ordinance by the license official. Applicants may be required to submit copies of portions of state and federal income tax returns reflecting gross receipts and gross revenue figures.

- C. The applicant shall certify under oath that the information given in the application is true, that the gross income is accurately reported (or estimated for a new business) without any unauthorized deductions, and that all assessments, personal property taxes on business property, and other monies due and payable to the Municipality have been paid.
- D. The Municipality shall allow application, reporting, calculation, and payment of business license taxes through the business license tax portal hosted and managed by the South Carolina Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office, subject to the availability and capability thereof. Any limitations in portal availability or capability do not relieve the applicant or Licensee from existing business license or business license tax obligations.

Section 6. Deductions, Exemptions, and Charitable Organizations.

- A. No deductions from gross income shall be made except income earned outside of the Municipality on which a license tax is paid by the business to some other municipality or county and fully reported to the Municipality, taxes collected for a governmental entity, or income which cannot be included for computation of the tax pursuant to state or federal law. Properly apportioned income from business in interstate commerce shall be included in the calculation of gross income and is not exempted. The applicant shall have the burden to establish the right to exempt income by satisfactory records and proof.
- B. No person shall be exempt from the requirements of the ordinance by reason of the lack of an established place of business within the Municipality, unless exempted by state or federal law. The license official shall determine the appropriate classification for each business in accordance with the latest issue of NAICS. No person shall be exempt from this ordinance by reason of the payment of any other tax, unless exempted by state law, and no person shall be relieved of liability for payment of any other tax or fee by reason of application of this ordinance.
- C. Wholesalers are exempt from business license taxes unless they maintain warehouses or distribution establishments within the Municipality. A wholesale transaction involves a sale to an individual who will resell the goods and includes delivery of the goods to the reseller. It does not include a sale of goods to a user or consumer.
- D. A charitable organization shall be exempt from the business license tax on its gross income unless it is deemed a business subject to a business license tax on all or part of its gross income as provided in this section. A charitable organization, or any affiliate of a charitable organization, that reports income from for-profit activities or unrelated business income for federal income tax purposes to the Internal Revenue Service shall be deemed a business subject to a business license tax on the part of its gross income from such for-profit activities or unrelated business income.
- E. A charitable organization shall be deemed a business subject to a business license tax on its total gross income if (1) any net proceeds of operation, after necessary expenses of

operation, inure to the benefit of any individual or any entity that is not itself a charitable organization as defined in this ordinance, or (2) any net proceeds of operation, after necessary expenses of operation, are used for a purpose other than a charitable purpose as defined in this ordinance. Excess benefits or compensation in any form beyond fair market value to a sponsor, organizer, officer, director, trustee, or person with ultimate control of the organization shall not be deemed a necessary expense of operation.

Section 7. False Application Unlawful. It shall be unlawful for any person subject to the provisions of this ordinance to make a false application for a business license or to give or file, or direct the giving or filing of, any false information with respect to the license or tax required by this ordinance.

Section 8. Display and Transfer.

- A. All persons shall display the license issued to them on the original form provided by the license official in a conspicuous place in the business establishment at the address shown on the license. A transient or non-resident shall carry the license upon his person or in a vehicle used in the business readily available for inspection by any authorized agent of the Municipality.
- B. A change of address must be reported to the license official within ten (10) days after removal of the business to a new location and the license will be valid at the new address upon written notification by the license official and compliance with zoning and building codes. Failure to obtain the approval of the license official for a change of address shall invalidate the license and subject the licensee to prosecution for doing business without a license. A business license shall not be transferable, and a transfer of controlling interest shall be considered a termination of the old business and the establishment of a new business requiring a new business license, based on old business income.

Section 9. Administration of Ordinance. The license official shall administer the provisions of this ordinance, collect business license taxes, issue licenses, make or initiate investigations and audits to ensure compliance, initiate denial or suspension and revocation procedures, report violations to the municipal attorney, assist in prosecution of violators, produce forms, undertake reasonable procedures relating to the administration of this ordinance, and perform such other duties as may be duly assigned.

Section 10. Inspection and Audits.

- A. For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this ordinance, the license official or other authorized agent of the Municipality is empowered to enter upon the premises of any person subject to this ordinance to make inspections and to examine and audit books and records. It shall be unlawful for any such person to fail or refuse to make available the necessary books and records. In the event an audit or inspection reveals that the licensee has filed false information, the costs of the audit shall be added to the correct business license tax and late penalties in addition to other penalties provided herein. Each day of failure to pay the proper amount of business license tax shall constitute a separate offense.
- B. The license official shall have the authority to make inspections and conduct audits of businesses to ensure compliance with the ordinance. Financial information obtained by inspections and audits shall not be deemed public records, and the license official shall not release the amount of business license taxes paid or the reported gross income of any person by name without written permission of the licensee, except as authorized by this ordinance, state or federal law, or proper judicial order. Statistics compiled by classifications are public records.

Section 11. Assessments, Payment under Protest, Appeal.

- A. Assessments, payments under protest, and appeals of assessment shall be allowed and conducted by the Municipality pursuant to the provisions of S.C. Code § 6-1-410, as amended. In preparing an assessment, the license official may examine such records of the business or any other available records as may be appropriate and conduct such investigations and statistical surveys as the license official may deem appropriate to assess a business license tax and penalties as provided herein.
- B. The license official shall establish a uniform local procedure consistent with S.C. Code § 6-1-410 for hearing an application for adjustment of assessment and issuing a notice of final assessment; provided that for particular types of business licenses, including without limitation for business licenses issued to businesses subject to business license taxes under Article 20, Chapter 9, Title 58, and Chapters 7 and 45, Title 38, of the South Carolina Code, the Municipality, by separate ordinance, may establish a different procedure and may delegate one or more rights, duties, and functions hereunder to the Municipal Association of South Carolina.

Section 12. Delinquent License Taxes, Partial Payment.

- A. For non-payment of all or any part of the correct business license tax, the license official shall impose and collect a late penalty of five (5%) percent of the unpaid tax for each month or portion thereof after the due date until paid. Penalties shall not be waived. If any business license tax remains unpaid for sixty (60) days after its due date, the license official shall report it to the municipal attorney for appropriate legal action.
- B. Partial payment may be accepted by the license official to toll imposition of penalties on the portion paid; *provided*, however, no business license shall be issued or renewed until the full amount of the tax due, with penalties, has been paid.

Section 13. Notices. The license official may, but shall not be required to, mail written notices that business license taxes are due. If notices are not mailed, there shall be published a notice of the due date in a newspaper of general circulation within the Municipality three (3) times prior to the due date in each year. Failure to receive notice shall not constitute a defense to prosecution for failure to pay the tax due or grounds for waiver of penalties.

Section 14. Denial of License. The license official may deny a license to an applicant when the license official determines:

- A. The application is incomplete or contains a misrepresentation, false or misleading statement, or evasion or suppression of a material fact;
- B. The activity for which a license is sought is unlawful or constitutes a public nuisance *per se* or *per accidens*;
- C. The applicant, licensee, prior licensee, or the person in control of the business has been convicted within the previous ten years of an offense under a law or ordinance regulating business, a crime involving dishonest conduct or moral turpitude related to a business or a subject of a business, or an unlawful sale of merchandise or prohibited goods;
- D. The applicant, licensee, prior licensee, or the person in control of the business has engaged in an unlawful activity or nuisance related to the business or to a similar business in the Municipality or in another jurisdiction;
- E. The applicant, licensee, prior licensee, or the person in control of the business is delinquent in the payment to the Municipality of any tax or fee;
- F. A licensee has actual knowledge or notice, or based on the circumstances reasonably should have knowledge or notice, that any person or employee of the licensee has committed a crime of moral turpitude on the business premises, or has permitted any person or employee of the licensee to engage in the unlawful sale of merchandise or prohibited goods on the business premises and has not taken remedial measures necessary to correct such activity; or
- G. The license for the business or for a similar business of the licensee in the Municipality or another jurisdiction has been denied, suspended, or revoked in the previous license year.

A decision of the license official shall be subject to appeal as herein provided. Denial shall be written with reasons stated.

Section 15. Suspension or Revocation of License. When the license official determines:

- A. A license has been mistakenly or improperly issued or issued contrary to law;
- B. A licensee has breached any condition upon which the license was issued or has failed to comply with the provisions of this ordinance;
- C. A licensee has obtained a license through a fraud, misrepresentation, a false or misleading statement, or evasion or suppression of a material fact in the license application;
- D. A licensee has been convicted within the previous ten years of an offense under a law or ordinance regulating business, a crime involving dishonest conduct or moral turpitude

related to a business or a subject of a business, or an unlawful sale of merchandise or prohibited goods;

- E. A licensee has engaged in an unlawful activity or nuisance related to the business; or
- F. A licensee is delinquent in the payment to the Municipality of any tax or fee,

the license official may give written notice to the licensee or the person in control of the business within the Municipality by personal service or mail that the license is suspended pending a single hearing before Council or its designee for the purpose of determining whether the suspension should be upheld and the license should be revoked.

The written notice of suspension and proposed revocation shall state the time and place at which the hearing is to be held, and shall contain a brief statement of the reasons for the suspension and proposed revocation and a copy of the applicable provisions of this ordinance.

Section 16. Appeals to Council or its Designee.

- A. Except with respect to appeals of assessments under Section 11 hereof, which are governed by S.C. Code § 6-1-410, any person aggrieved by a determination, denial, or suspension and proposed revocation of a business license by the license official may appeal the decision to the Council or its designee by written request stating the reasons for appeal, filed with the license official within ten (10) days after service by mail or personal service of the notice of determination, denial, or suspension and proposed revocation.
- B. A hearing on an appeal from a license denial or other determination of the license official and a hearing on a suspension and proposed revocation shall be held by the Council or its designee within ten (10) business days after receipt of a request for appeal or service of a notice of suspension and proposed revocation. The hearing shall be held upon written notice at a regular or special meeting of the Council, or, if by designee of the Council, at a hearing to be scheduled by the designee. The hearing may be continued to another date by agreement of all parties. At the hearing, all parties shall have the right to be represented by counsel, to present testimony and evidence, and to cross-examine witnesses. The proceedings shall be recorded and transcribed at the expense of the party so requesting. The rules of evidence and procedure prescribed by Council or its designee shall govern the hearing. Following the hearing, the Council by majority vote of its members present, or the designee of Council if the hearing is held by the designee, shall render a written decision based on findings of fact and conclusions on application of the standards herein. The written decision shall be served, by personal service or by mail, upon all parties or their representatives and shall constitute the final decision of the Municipality.
- C. Timely appeal of a decision of Council or its designee does not effectuate a stay of that decision. The decision of the Council or its designee shall be binding and enforceable unless overturned by an applicable appellate court after a due and timely appeal.

- D. For business licenses issued to businesses subject to business license taxes under Article 20, Chapter 9, Title 58, and Chapters 7 and 45, Title 38, of the South Carolina Code, the Municipality may establish a different procedure by ordinance.

Section 17. Consent, franchise, or license required for use of streets.

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to construct, install, maintain, or operate in, on, above, or under any street or public place under control of the Municipality any line, pipe, cable, pole, structure, or facility for utilities, communications, cablevision, or other purposes without a consent agreement or franchise agreement issued by the Council by ordinance that prescribes the term, fees, and conditions for use.
- B. The annual fee for use of streets or public places authorized by a consent agreement or franchise agreement shall be set by the ordinance approving the agreement and shall be consistent with limits set by state law. Existing franchise agreements shall continue in effect until expiration dates in the agreements. Franchise and consent fees shall not be in lieu of or be credited against business license taxes unless specifically provided by the franchise or consent agreement.

Section 18. Confidentiality. Except in accordance with proper judicial order or as otherwise provided by law, no official or employee of the Municipality may divulge or make known in any manner the amount of income or any financial particulars set forth or disclosed in any report or return required under this ordinance. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the publication of statistics so classified as to prevent the identification of particular reports or returns. Any license data may be shared with other public officials or employees in the performance of their duties, whether or not those duties relate to enforcement of this ordinance.

Section 19. Violations. Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of an offense and shall be subject to a fine of up to \$500.00 or imprisonment for not more than thirty (30) days or both, upon conviction. Each day of violation shall be considered a separate offense. Punishment for violation shall not relieve the offender of liability for delinquent taxes, penalties, and costs provided for in this ordinance.

Section 20. Severability. A determination that any portion of this ordinance is invalid or unenforceable shall not affect the remaining portions. To the extent of any conflict between the provisions of this ordinance and the provisions of the South Carolina Business License Tax Standardization Act, as codified at S.C. Code §§ 6-1-400 *et seq.*, the standardization act shall control.

Section 21. Classification and Rates.

- A. The business license tax for each class of businesses subject to this ordinance shall be computed in accordance with the current business license rate schedule, designated as Appendix A to this ordinance, which may be amended from time to time by the Council.
- B. The current business license class schedule is attached hereto as Appendix B. Hereafter, no later than December 31 of each odd year, the Municipality shall adopt, by ordinance, the latest standardized business license class schedule as recommended by the Municipal Association of South Carolina and adopted by the Director of the South Carolina Revenue

and Fiscal Affairs Office. Upon adoption by the Municipality, the revised business license class schedule shall then be appended to this ordinance as a replacement Appendix B.

- C. The classifications included in each rate class are listed with NAICS codes, by sector, sub-sector, group, or industry. The business license class schedule (Appendix B) is a tool for classification and not a limitation on businesses subject to a business license tax. The classification in the most recent version of the business license class schedule adopted by the Council that most specifically identifies the subject business shall be applied to the business. The license official shall have the authority to make the determination of the classification most specifically applicable to a subject business.
- D. A copy of the class schedule and rate schedule shall be filed in the office of the municipal clerk.

APPENDIX A: BUSINESS LICENSE RATE SCHEDULE

RATE CLASS	INCOME: \$0 - \$2,000	INCOME OVER \$2,000
	BASE RATE	RATE PER \$1,000 OR FRACTION THEREOF
1	\$30.00	\$.60
2	\$30.00	\$.60
3	\$40.00	\$.80
4	\$50.00	\$.90
5	\$60.00	\$1.00
6	\$70.00	\$ 1.10
7	\$80.00	\$1.20
8	\$35.00 (IN-CITY)	\$.70
8.1	\$70.00(Out-OF-CITY)	\$ 1.40
8.2	Set by state statute	
8.3	MASC Telecommunications	
8.4	MASC Insurance	
8.51	\$12.50 + \$12.50 per machine	
8.52	\$12.50 + \$180.00 per machine	
8.6	\$___ plus \$5.00 -OR- \$12.50 per table	\$

NON-RESIDENT RATES

Unless otherwise specifically provided, all taxes and rates shall be doubled for nonresidents and itinerants having no fixed principal place of business within the Municipality.

DECLINING RATES

Declining Rates apply in all Classes for gross income in excess of \$1,000,000, unless otherwise specifically provided for in this ordinance.

<u>Gross Income in \$ Millions</u>	<u>Percent of Class Rate for each additional \$1,000</u>
0 - 1	100%
1 - 2	90%
2 - 3	80%
3 - 4	70%
OVER 4	60%

CLASS 8 RATES

Each NAICS number designates a separate subclassification. The businesses in this section are treated as separate and individual subclasses due to provisions of state law, regulatory requirements, service burdens, tax equalization considerations, and other factors that are deemed sufficient to require individually determined rates. In accordance with state law, the Municipality also may provide for reasonable subclassifications for rates, described by an NAICS sector, subsector, or industry, that are based on particularized considerations as needed for economic stimulus or for the enhanced or disproportionate demands on municipal services or infrastructure.

Non-resident rates do not apply except where indicated.

8.1 NAICS 230000 – Contractors, Construction, All Types [Non-resident rates apply].

Resident rates, for contractors having a permanent place of business within the Municipality:

Minimum on first \$2,000.....	<u>\$ 35.00</u> PLUS
Each additional 1,000	<u>\$.70</u>

Non-resident rates apply to contractors that do not have a permanent place of business within the Municipality. A trailer at the construction site or structure in which the contractor temporarily resides is not a permanent place of business under this ordinance.

No contractor shall be issued a business license until all state and municipal qualification examination and trade license requirements have been met. Each contractor shall post a sign in plain view on each job identifying the contractor with the job.

Sub-contractors shall be licensed on the same basis as general or prime contractors for the same job. No deductions shall be made by a general or prime contractor for value of work performed by a sub-contractor.

No contractor shall be issued a business license until all performance and indemnity bonds required by the Building Code have been filed and approved. Zoning permits must be obtained when required by the Zoning Ordinance.

Each prime contractor shall file with the License Official a list of sub-contractors furnishing labor or materials for each project.

For licenses issued on a per-job basis, the total tax for the full amount of the contract shall be paid prior to commencement of work and shall entitle the contractor to complete the job without regard to the normal license expiration date. An amended report shall be filed for each new job and the appropriate additional license fee per \$1,000 of the contract amount shall be paid prior to commencement of new work. Only one base tax shall be paid in a license year. Licensees holding a per-job license shall file, by each April 30 during the continuation of the construction project, a statement of compliance, including but not limited to a revised estimate of the value of the contract. If any revised estimate of the final value of such project exceeds the amount for

which the business license was issued, the licensee shall be required to pay a license fee at the then-prevailing rate on the excess amount.

8.2 NAICS 482 – Railroad Companies (See S.C. Code § 12-23-210).

8.3 NAICS 517311, 517312 – Telephone Companies.

With respect to “retail telecommunications services” as defined in S. C. Code § 58-9-2200, the Municipality participates in a collections program administered by the Municipal Association of South Carolina. The Municipality has approved participation in the collections program by separate ordinance (the “Telecommunications Collections Ordinance”). The rates, terms, conditions, dates, penalties, appeals process, and other details of the business license applicable to retail telecommunications services are set forth in the Telecommunications Collections Ordinance.

8.4 NAICS 5241 and 5242 – Insurance Companies and Brokers:

Independent agents and their employees are subject to a business license tax based on their natural class. With respect to insurers subject to license fees and taxes under Chapter 7 of Title 38 and to brokers under Chapter 45 of Title 38, the Municipality participates in a collections program administered by the Municipal Association of South Carolina. The Municipality has approved participation in the collections program by separate ordinance (the “Insurers and Brokers Collections Ordinance”). The rates, terms, conditions, dates, penalties, appeals process, and other details of the business license applicable to insurers and brokers are set forth in the Insurers and Brokers Collections Ordinance.

8.51 NAICS 713120 – Amusement Machines, coin operated (except gambling). Music machines, juke boxes, kiddie rides, video games, pin tables with levers, and other amusement machines with or without free play feature licensed by SC Department of Revenue pursuant to S.C. Code §12-21-2720(A)(1) and (A)(2) [Type I and Type II].

For operation of all machines (not on gross income), pursuant to S.C. Code §12-21-2746:

Per Machine.....	\$12.50 PLUS
Business license	\$12.50

Distributors that sell or lease machines and are not licensed by the state as an operator pursuant to §12-21-2728 are not subject to Subclass 8.51.

8.52 NAICS 713290 – Amusement Machines, coin operated, non-payout. Amusement machines of the non-payout type or in-line pin game licensed by SC Department of Revenue pursuant to S.C. Code §12-21-2720(A)(3) [Type III].

For operation of all machines (not on gross income), pursuant to S.C. Code §12-21-2720(B):

Per Machine \$180.00 PLUS
Business license\$12.50

Distributors that sell or lease machines and are not licensed by the state as an operator pursuant to §12-21-2728 are not subject to Subclass 8.52.

8.6 NAICS 713990 – Billiard or Pool Rooms, all types. (A) Pursuant to SC Code § 12-21-2746, license tax of \$5.00 per table measuring less than 3½ feet wide and 7 feet long, and \$12.50 per table longer than that; PLUS, (B) with respect to gross income from the entire business in addition to the tax authorized by state law for each table:

Minimum on first \$2,000 \$35.00 PLUS
Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000.....\$.70

Business License Class Schedule by NAICS Code

APPENDIX B 2019 BUSINESS LICENSE CLASS SCHEDULE BY NAICS CODE

NAICS Sector/Subsector	Industry Sector	Class
11	Agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing	3
113	Forestry and logging (including forest nurseries, timber tracts)	2
115	Support activities for agriculture and forestry	1
21	Mining	4
2211	Electric Power Generation, Transmission and Distribution	Franchise
2212	Natural Gas Distribution	Franchise
22	Utilities	1
23	Construction	8.1
31-33	Manufacturing	2
42	Wholesale trade	1
423930	Recyclable Material Merchant Wholesalers (Junk)	8.41
44-45	Retail trade	1
441	Motor vehicle and parts dealers	1
4411	Automobile Dealers	8.5
4412	Other Motor Vehicle Dealers	8.5
442	Furniture and home furnishing stores	1
443	Electronic and appliance stores	1
444	Building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers	1
445	Food and beverage stores	1
446	Health and personal care stores	2
447	Gasoline stations	1
448	Clothing and accessories stores	2
451	Sporting goods, hobby, book, and music stores	1
452	General merchandise stores	1
453	Miscellaneous store retailers	2
454	Nonstore retailers	2
45439	Other Direct Selling Establishments (Peddlers)	8.6
48-49	Transportation and warehousing	2
482	Rail Transportation	8.2
484	Truck Transportation	2
486	Pipeline transportation	1
493	Warehousing and storage facilities	2
51	Information	3
511	Publishing industries (except internet)	2
512	Motion picture and sound recording	1
515	Broadcasting (except internet) and telecommunications	3
517	Telecommunications	3
5171	Wired Telecommunications Carriers	8.3
5172	Wireless Telecommunications Carriers (except Satellite)	8.3
518	Internet service providers, web search portals, and data processing	3
519	Other Information Services	5
52	Finance and insurance	6
522	Credit intermediation and related activities	4

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NAICS Sector/Subsector	Industry Sector	Class
522298	Pawnshops	8.42
523	Securities, commodity contracts, and other financial investments	7
524	Insurance agents, brokers, and related activities	6
5241	Insurance Carriers	8.7
52421	Insurance Brokers for non-admitted Insurance Carriers	8.7
525	Funds, trusts and other financial vehicles	7
53	Real estate and rental and leasing	7
531	Real estate	7
5311	Lessors of real estate (including miniwarehouses and self storage)	7
532	Rental and leasing services	1
533	Lessors of nonfinancial assets	7
54	Professional, scientific, and technical services	3
5411	Legal Services	7
5413	Architectural, engineering and related services	2
5416-9	Other professional, scientific, and technical services	4
55	Management of companies	6
56	Administrative and support and waste management and remediation services	3
561	Administrative and support services	3
562	Waste management and remediation services	1
61	Educational services	3
62	Health care and social assistance	3
623	Nursing and Residential Care Facility	1
71	Arts, entertainment, and recreation	3
71119	Other Performing Arts Companies (Carnivals and Circuses)	8.92
712	Museums, Historical Sites and similar institutions	1
7131	Amusement Parks and Arcades	8.8
7132	Nonpayout Amusement Machines	8.8
713290	Bingo Halls	8.91
713990	All Other Amusement and Recreational Industries (pool tables)	8.11
721	Accommodation	2
722	Food services and drinking places	2
72241	Drinking Places (Alcoholic Beverages)	8.93
81	Other services	3
811	Repair and maintenance	1
8111	Auto repair and maintenance	2
812	Personal and laundry services	6
813	Religious, grantmaking, civic, professional, and similar organizations	4

Note: Class Schedule is based on 2014 IRS data.

This appendix will be updated every odd year based on the latest available IRS statistics.

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ORDINANCE #6-2021

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AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR NOISE CONTROL IN THE CITY OF HANAHAN; TO PROVIDE FOR PENALTIES THEREOF; TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 26-32 IN ITS ENTIRETY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

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WHEREAS Hanahan City Council adopted Ordinance Number 26-32 on December 14, 2021, providing for noise control in the City of Hanahan; and,

WHEREAS, Hanahan City Council has now determined that there is a need to repeal the prior Ordinance Number 26-32 in its entirety and replace it with the ordinance below to provide for noise control for the welfare of its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by Hanahan City Council, in a meeting duly assembled:

SECTION 26-32. Noise.

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this section, the following terms have the indicated meaning:

1. *Noise:* any sound that is either loud, boisterous, unpleasant, unreasonable or that causes a disturbance of the public peace.

(b) *Prohibited Acts.* The making, creation, or maintenance of the excessive, nuisance, unnecessary, unnatural or unusually loud noises which are prolonged, unusual and unnatural in their time, place and use affect and are a detriment to public health, comfort, convenience, safety, welfare and prosperity of the residents of the City of Hanahan shall be prohibited. Any persons found to make, or cause to be made, any loud, boisterous, or unreasonable noise shall be in violation of this ordinance.

(c) *Types of Noise.*

1. Radios, televisions, percussion instruments, or loudspeakers;
2. Construction, repairing, or demolition of buildings;
3. Yelling or shouting;
4. Vehicle exhaust or vehicle defect;
5. Fireworks or gunshots; or
6. Any other loud or unnatural noise that would be a discomfort to any residence.

(d) *Enforcement Factors.* In the enforcement of standards established in this section, an enforcement officer may be required to exercise judgment in determining if a particular noise is sufficiently loud or otherwise so offensive that it would unreasonably disturb a person of ordinary sensibilities in the vicinity. When making the determinations, the enforcement officer shall consider the following factors:

1. The volume of the noise;
2. The intensity of the noise;
3. Whether the nature of the noise is usual or unusual;
4. Whether the origin of the noise is natural or unnatural;
5. The type and intensity of background noise, if any;
6. The proximity of the noise to residential sleeping facilities;
7. The nature of zoning of the area(s) in which the noise is heard;
8. The time of day or night the noise occurs;
9. The duration of the noise; and
10. Whether the noise is recurrent, intermittent, or constant.

(e) *Exemptions.* The following noises shall be exempt from the prohibitions from this section, even when they cause a disturbance:

1. The sound produced by horns, sirens and alarms used with authorized emergency vehicles or otherwise used as safety devices to alert persons to danger or attempted crime; however, this exemption shall not apply to improperly operating burglar alarms.

2. The sound produced by emergency repair measures necessary to restore public utilities, to restore property to a safe condition or to protect persons or property from imminent danger, following a fire, accident or natural disaster.
3. The sound produced by bells, chimes or other carillon instruments when used to signify the passage of hour, half-hour, or quarter-hour components, or to commemorate a wedding funeral or similar event including regular religious services, provided the sound does not exceed five continuous minutes in duration in any one-hour period.
4. The sound produced by the following, provided there is compliance with any federal regulations applicable to the noise:
 - i. Aircraft in flight or in operation at an airport; and
 - ii. Railroad equipment in operation on railroad rights-of-way; and
 - iii. Motor vehicles, otherwise in lawful operation, on all public streets and highways; and
 - iv. Farm equipment while performing normal farm activities.
5. The unamplified sound emanating from a ballpark, playing field, stadium or comparable outdoor facility designed and intended for recreational or sports activity when used during the period between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. of the same calendar day for organized exhibitions, participatory sports, or recreational activities.

(f) *Special Permits for Events.* The City of Hanahan may issue an operational or temporary use permit. This permit will be issued on a temporary basis. Permits for special events or exhibitions such as (but not limited to) music, speeches, or general entertainment as a part and in recognition of the community celebration of national, state or city events, concerts, festivals, parades, athletic and recreational events, to permit reasonable and limited exceptions to the provisions of this section. Any special event or exhibition permit issued shall contain specific provisions as to the activities that will be conducted and dates and times during which the provisions of this section are to be suspended. Specific sources of any noise shall be identified, and special conditions may be established in the permit which will minimize the noise impact of the special event or

exhibition on the community, provided the permit shall be subject to revocation at the discretion of the City of Hanahan on the basis of excessive or inappropriate noise. Whenever the revocation occurs, the activities of the event or exhibition shall then become subject to the prohibitions of this section.

- (g) *Times of Noise.* Construction or repairing, demolition, alteration of any building should be between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. on weekdays, and 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. on weekends, except in cases of urgent necessity. Normal residential noise should be between the hours of 6:00am and 10:00pm.
- (h) *Violations.* Any person who violates this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall pay a fine of not less than \$100.00, nor more than \$500.00, or be imprisoned for a period not exceeding 30 days, or both. If the violation is of a continuing nature, each day during which it occurs shall constitute an additional, separate, and distinct offense.
- (i) *Enforcement.* The City of Hanahan Police Department and City Code Enforcement in cooperation with City government, shall enforce the provisions in this ordinance.
- (j) *Conflicting Ordinances.* All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this section or inconsistent with its provisions are hereby repealed or superseded to the extent necessary to give this section full force and effect.
- (k) *Effective Date.* This ordinance shall become effective on the date of adoption by Hanahan City Council.

DONE AND RATIFIED in Council assembled on this ____ day of _____ 2021.

THIS ORDINANCE shall be effective upon second reading approval thereof.

Christie Rainwater, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____ City Clerk and Treasurer

First Reading: _____

Second Reading: _____