AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA, AMENDING CH. 111, ART. II, BUSINESS TAX REGULATIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE ADJUSTMENTS IN FEES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Port St Lucie, Florida ("City") desires to update Chapter 111, Business Tax Receipts, Article II, Business Tax Regulations of the Port St Lucie Code of Ordinances ("Code") to provide for adjustments in fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Ratification of Recitals. The foregoing recitals are hereby ratified and confirmed as true and correct and are hereby made a part of this Ordinance.

Section 2. Title XI, Business Regulations, Chapter 111, Business Tax Receipts, Article II, Business Tax Regulations of the Code is amended as follows (strikethrough text indicates deletions while <u>underlined text</u> indicates additions):

ARTICLE II. – BUSINESS TAX REGULATIONS

Sec. 111.16. – Business tax receipt application.

All applicants for tax receipts under this chapter shall file a written application on forms to be furnished by the business tax division. The application shall state the name, location, nature, or kind of activity to be conducted and the owner or owners of the business or profession. An application fee of \$19.00 shall be assessed upon submittal. A 50% reduction in the application fee may be issued to businesses whose representatives attend a new business class offered by the business tax division of the Financial Management Department. No person shall be granted a tax receipt to conduct any business not permitted under the ordinances of the city. No tax receipt shall be issued unless the Federal ID number or Social Security number is included.

Section 3. Conflict. If any ordinances, or parts of ordinances, are in conflict herewith this Ordinance shall control to the extent of the conflicting provisions.

Section 4. Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are intended to be severable. If any provision of this Ordinance is determined to be void or is declared illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

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Section 5. Codification. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida. The sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intentions; the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section" or other appropriate word as may be necessary.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final adoption on second reading.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, this	
day of, 2021.	
	CITY COUNCIL CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE
ATTEST:	By:
Sally Walsh, City Clerk	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
	James D. Stokes, City Attorney