

**CITY OF HAZLETON BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE VIOLATION
ORDINANCE 2021-7 Article V Regulations**

(Full ordinance can be found online or in City Hall, 40 North Church Street, Hazleton, PA)

Licensing and Permitting 570-459-4925

Date Posted _____

REVOCATION OF BUSINESS LICENSE

For one or more of following reasons:

- A. No business license shall be issued until any and all permits required by the City of Hazleton and the City's Zoning and Code Enforcement Office have been obtained and provided to the City Office responsible for issuing the business license.*
- B. No license will be issued to any person with prior year delinquent taxes or fees due to the City of Hazleton, or its designated agent, levied as authorized by the City of Hazleton, or its designated agent.*

The required license fee shall be paid for each business subject to this Ordinance on or before the due date of the 31st day of January in each year.

Business Address: _____

Posted By: _____

(Print Name)

Appeal. Any person directly affected by a determination of the Code Official shall have the right to appeal to City Council, provided that a written application for appeal in the form of a letter and a \$500.00 non-refundable deposit is provided to the Council Clerk within ten (10) calendar days after the day the notice was served or the revocation of the business license. All costs associated with the appellate hearing shall be paid by the Appellant. The non-refundable \$500.00 deposit is required before an appeal hearing will be scheduled. Failure to pay the deposit will operate as a waiver of Appeal rights. The Appellant may petition City Council for permission to proceed with the appeal without making the full deposit if undue hardship is present and demonstrated.

Notice/Service; Corrective Measures; Appeal Rights.

A. Notice/Service. The Code Official shall have authority to give notice to any owner violating this Ordinance, or when denying or revoking a business license, by “posting” the business or dwelling unit. Posting shall mean service in person or by regular and/or certified United States mail. The Code Official may also physically attach a copy of the notice to the business or dwelling unit.

B. Corrective Measures. For a violation, the notice shall direct compliance with this Ordinance within ten (10) calendar days following service of the notice. Any notice issued for a violation of this Ordinance shall be sufficient to constitute notice of any subsequent violation provided that the violation is for the same section of this Ordinance and the violation occurs within the same calendar year.

J. Appeal. Any person directly affected by a determination of the Code Official shall have the right to appeal to City Council, provided that a written application for appeal in the form of a letter and a \$500.00 non-refundable deposit is provided to the Council Clerk within ten (10) calendar days after the day the notice was served or the revocation of the business license. All costs associated with the appellate hearing shall be paid by the Appellant. The non-refundable \$500.00 deposit is required before an appeal hearing will be scheduled. Failure to pay the deposit will operate as a waiver of Appeal rights. The Appellant may petition City Council for permission to proceed with the appeal without making the full deposit if undue hardship is present and demonstrated.

K. Stays of enforcement. Appeals of notices of violations, or revocation of business licenses issued by the Code Official shall stay the action or enforcement of the notice until the appeal is heard by City Council.

L. Appeals to Court of Common Pleas. Any person aggrieved by any decision of the City Council may appeal to the Court of Common Pleas of Luzerne County within thirty (30) days of the mailing of the decision to the applicant. An appeal of a decision by City Council to the Court of Common Pleas will not stay enforcement of the notice unless a stay is granted by the Court of Common Pleas.

M. If revocation of a business license is upheld, said business may apply for a business license that may contain additional stipulations as to the business's permitted operations.