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Title:	Amendment of Municipal Code Sections 4-156-320 and 4-156-355 concerning approval conditions for original license applications
Committee(s) Assignment:	Committee on License and Consumer Protection

ORDINANCE**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:**

SECTION 1. Section 4-156-320 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language stricken through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

4-156-320 License – Application – Approval conditions.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

(b) (1) Original license application. After receiving zoning approval, an applicant for a public place of amusement license shall pay the license fee at the time of filing the application. No later than 30 days after payment of the license fee, the applicant shall submit to the department all required documentation, as prescribed in the department's rules and regulations, necessary to complete the application. If the applicant submits all the required documentation within the 30-day period, the commissioner shall review the application and documentation and any written objections to granting the license filed pursuant to Section 4-156-311 and, ~~shall approve or deny the application~~ within 60 days after all required documentation has been submitted to the department, shall either: (i) deny the application, or (ii) except as otherwise provided in subsection (b)(4), provide the application to the alderman of the applicable ward, together with a recommendation for introduction of an ordinance approving the application. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. Once an ordinance approving the application is effective, the commissioner shall issue the license to the applicant. If the applicant fails to submit all the required documentation within the 30-day period, the application shall be deemed to be incomplete and the commissioner shall suspend all further action on the application unless the applicant reactivates the application within six months after the original application was filed by: (1) submitting all required documentation necessary to complete the application, and (2) ~~payment of~~ paying a reactivation fee of \$500.00.

(2) Reactivation of original application within six months. If the applicant reactivates the license application in accordance with this subsection (b)(1), the commissioner shall review the application and documentation and any written objections to granting the license filed pursuant to Section 4-156-311 and, ~~shall approve or deny the application~~ within 60 days after all required documentation has been submitted to the department and the license application reactivation fee is paid, shall either: (i) deny the application, or (ii) provide the application to the alderman of the applicable ward, together with a recommendation for introduction of an ordinance approving the application. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. Once

an ordinance approving the application is effective, the commissioner shall issue the license to the applicant.

(3) Incomplete applications that are not reactivated in a timely manner – Withdrawn applications. If the commissioner determines that the application for a public place of amusement license to be is incomplete and the applicant fails to reactivate the application in accordance with this subsection (b)(2), or if the applicant withdraws the application, the application shall expire and the applicant shall forfeit the license fee and any license application reactivation fee paid by the applicant.

If the license application expires or is withdrawn, a new application for a public place of amusement license, accompanied by the appropriate license fee, and all required documentation, shall be required to obtain a license.

(4) Renewal applications. If the commissioner finds that a renewal application for a public place of amusement license meets the requirements of Article III of this Chapter and the rules promulgated thereunder, the commissioner shall, within 60 days after all required documentation has been submitted to the department, prepare an ordinance for approval by the city council, which ordinance may include a group of renewal applications submitted within the applicable 60-day period. Approval of such an ordinance shall not be unreasonably withheld or unreasonably delayed by the city council. Once the ordinance approving the renewal application is effective, the commissioner shall issue the license to the applicant.

(c) The procedures for the denial of a license set forth in Chapter 4-4 shall apply to the denial of an application for a public place of amusement license.

SECTION 2. Section 4-156-355 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

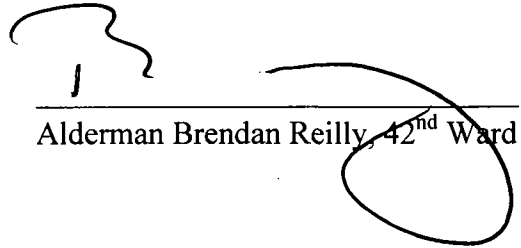
License – Issuance prohibited.

No public place of amusement license shall be issued to:

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

(9) Any person unless an ordinance approving the issuance of such license is enacted by the city council in accordance with subsection (b) of Section 4-156-320.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take full force and effect upon its passage and publication.



Alderman Brendan Reilly, 42nd Ward