

97-O-24

AN ORDINANCE

Amending City Code Section 8-12-2-2 “License Procedures”

WHEREAS, the City of Evanston currently issues licenses to twelve facilities which provide long-term care for the elderly, infirm, or chronically ill and which are operated pursuant to the Illinois “County Home Act,” 55ILCS 5/5-21001 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, these twelve facilities have the capacity for over 1,600 beds (residents) which, in comparison to nearby municipalities, ranks highest except for Chicago; and

WHEREAS, the City charges an annual Long-Term Care Facility License Fee of \$600 per year, including \$60 per licensed bed; and

WHEREAS, license fees for long-term care facilities bring in a revenue of over \$100,000 per year but the fees have not been raised for over a decade; and

WHEREAS, a fifty percent (50%) increase to the annual facility fee (\$900) and per licensed bed fee (\$90) would generate increased revenue; and

WHEREAS, the Evanston City Council deems it is in the best interest of the City of Evanston to increase permitting and fee rates for licensing and operation of long-term care facilities, as those facilities are defined in 8-12-1-6 of the City Code.

NOW BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT:

SECTION 1: Section 8-12-2-2 “License Procedures” of the City Code of 2024 is hereby amended to include a fifty percent (50%) permit fee increase effective January 1, 2025, as follows:

8-12-2-2. - LICENSE PROCEDURES.

(B) All applications shall be accompanied by the following:

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11. An annual license fee of nine hundred dollars (\$900.00) ~~six hundred dollars (\$600.00)~~, plus ninety dollars (\$90.00) ~~sixty dollars (\$60.00)~~ per licensed bed, to be refunded should the application be denied.

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3: If any provision of this Ordinance 97-O-24 or application thereof to any person or circumstance is held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid application of this Ordinance is severable.

SECTION 4: The findings and recitals contained herein are declared to be prima facie evidence of the law of the City and shall be received in evidence as provided by the Illinois Compiled Statutes and the courts of the State of Illinois.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance 97-O-24 shall be in full force and effect on January 1, 2025, after its passage, approval, and publication in the manner provided by law.

Introduced: December 09, 2024

Approved:

Adopted: December 09, 2024

December 09, 2024

Daniel Biss

Daniel Biss, Mayor

Attest:

Approved as to form:

Stephanie Mendoza

Stephanie Mendoza, City Clerk

Alexandra B. Ruggie

Alexandra Ruggie,
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