

Town of Farmington
La Crosse County, Wisconsin
ORDINANCE 4 - 2020

TEMPORARY AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCE 3-2020
(FEE DECREASE FOR CLASS B BEER AND LIQUOR LICENSES)

WHEREAS: Pursuant to Wis. State Stat. s125.17, 125.25-.26, and 125.51, the Town of Farmington, La Crosse County, has the authority to determine annual fees for Class A and B Beer and Liquor retail and operator licenses up to the maximum but not below the minimum amounts listed in the statutes.

WHEREAS, in December, 2019, a novel strain of coronavirus known as COVID-19 was detected, and COVID-19 has continued to spread throughout the world, including to the United States and the State of Wisconsin ("COVID-19 Pandemic"); and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared a Public Health Emergency, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic, on March 12, 2020 the Governor of the State of Wisconsin declared a Health Emergency in the State, and on March 19, 2020 La Crosse County (the "County") declared a state of emergency under authority granted by Wis. Stats. Chap. 323; and

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2020 through Emergency Order Safer At Home Order #28 disqualified bars and restaurants as essential limiting their business to curbside sales; and

WHEREAS, because this order was extended until May 26, 2020 and possibly beyond, bar / restaurant owners have experienced a decrease in sales without the ability to serve beer and liquor as granted through fees already paid for with 2019-2020 liquor licenses.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Farmington Town Board hereby finds and determines that Ordinance 3-2020 shall be amended through this ordinance to allow for a 50% decrease on all Class B Beer and Liquor Retail license fees for the licensing year commencing on July 1, 2020. Beginning in July 2021, normal rates determined through Ordinance 3-2020 will apply for all retail and operator licenses. This ordinance is not intending to change any renewal fees pertaining to Class A Beer or operator licenses.

- Amended & adopted 10 MSH PL MK*
1. Class B Retail Beer licenses are subject to a \$~~50~~ annual fee. *50 MSH PL*
 2. Class B Retail Intoxicating Liquor licenses are subject to a \$~~175~~ annual fee.

Adopted on this 19th day of May, 2020.


Mike Hesse, Chairman


Greg Kastenschmidt, West Supervisor


Paul Lash, East Supervisor

Attest: 
Crystal Sbraggia, Clerk