

SUBSTITUTE
ORDINANCE

02024-0009665

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 4-156-010 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored and by deleting the struck through language, as follows:

4-156-010 Definitions.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

"Arcade" means a place of amusement that includes five ~~four~~ or more automatic amusement devices; provided, however, that when calculating the number of automatic amusement devices, jukeboxes shall not be counted.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

SECTION 2. Chapter 4-156-305 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored and by deleting the struck through language, as follows:

4-156-305 License – Exceptions.

No public place of amusement license under this Article III shall be required, if the only amusement to be produced, presented, or conducted is one or more of the following:

(a) two or fewer single ~~pool or billiard tables~~ regardless of whether players must pay to use the pool or billiard table;

(b) less than five ~~four~~ automatic amusement devices; provided, however, that when calculating the number of automatic amusement devices, jukeboxes shall not be counted. A pool or billiard table shall be included when calculating the number of automatic amusement devices for purposes of this subsection if players must pay to use the pool or billiard table; provided that, in no case shall this subsection create an exemption for establishments which contain more than two ~~one~~ pool or billiard tables regardless of whether any payment is required;

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

SECTION 3. Section 10-28-805 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, and by deleting the language struck through, as follows:

10-28-805 Permit required for sidewalk café.

A permit, which shall be known as a sidewalk café permit, shall be required to operate a sidewalk café. A sidewalk café permit shall be valid for one year or two years, as applicable, from March 1st to and including the last day of February. The fee for a sidewalk café permit shall be determined by the Commissioner, taking into account land values and the term of the permit, and shall be set forth by rule.

SECTION 4. Section 10-28-810 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, and by deleting the language struck through, as follows:

10-28-810 Permit application and approval procedure.

Application for a sidewalk café permit shall be submitted to the Commissioner, who shall make available forms for this purpose. The applicant shall provide such information on the application as the Commissioner may require by regulation, including:

(A) Proof that the applicant holds a retail food establishment license issued to the establishment that will provide food for the sidewalk café, or tavern license, or that the applicant is the owner or manager of an indoor retail market. The owner or manager of the indoor retail market is not required to obtain a retail food establishment license.

(B) A proof of insurance as required by this article.

(C) A plan for the sidewalk café, complying with applicable regulations, and demonstrating that the sidewalk café shall not unreasonably interfere with: (1) adequate pedestrian flow; (2) access to building entrances; (3) pedestrian and traffic safety; and (4) the aesthetic quality of the surrounding area.

(D) Whether the applicant is seeking a sidewalk café permit for a one-year or two-year term.

SECTION 5. This ordinance takes effect on December 1, 2025.