

AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING A LICENSE TAX FOR THE OPERATION OF THE BUSINESS CARRIED ON AS A FORTUNE TELLER, CLAIRVOYANT, PALMIST, ASTROLOGER, CHARACTER READER, SPIRIT TREATMENT HEALER OR MENTAL HEALER, AND EVERY PERSON ENGAGED IN ANY OCCUPATION OR BUSINESS OF A SIMILAR NATURE; REGULATING AND RESTRICTING THE PLACES WHERE SUCH BUSINESSES OR ESTABLISHMENTS MAY OPERATE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, BAY COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION; PROVIDING RESTRICTIONS ON THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE; DECLARING THIS AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATE; REPEALING ORDINANCES 22 AND 37 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT.

*REPEALED 1971
Ordinance 96*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, IN BAY COUNTY, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency ordinance and shall take effect immediately upon passage, in that various restrictions exist regulating the issuance of such license by the State and various controversies have arisen outside the City of Springfield in Bay County, Florida, over the issuance of State and County licenses, and the City Commission of the City of Springfield in Bay County, Florida, finding that through inadvertence and oversight Ordinance 22 has been superseded by Ordinance 37 in its entirety although it being the intention of the City Commission that Ordinance 37 simply amend the Ordinance 22 and that the regulatory provisions of Ordinance 22 remain in effect, and in order to have an effective Ordinance which will properly set forth the intention of the City Commission and the past construction of Ordinances 22 and 37.

SECTION 2. From and after the effective date of this Ordinance it shall be unlawful for any person to keep, operate or perform any business as fortune teller, clairvoyant, palmist, astrologer, character reader, spirit treatment healer or mental healer, or any person engaged in any occupation of a similar nature within the city limits of the City of Springfield in Bay

County, Florida, without first procuring a city license for such keeping or operation from the City Clerk of the City of Springfield in Bay County, Florida, and paying therefor the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) per year, which such yearly license shall be effective from its date of issuance to and including the 30th day of September following its issuance and there shall be no reduction for a part year license.

SECTION 3. No person shall be granted a license to engage in or carry on any such business or profession mentioned in this Ordinance unless such person shall be a bona fide legal and permanent resident of the City of Springfield in Bay County, Florida, and shall have resided in the City of Springfield in Bay County, Florida, for not less than one (1) year immediately prior to the issuance of such license and shall be the owner of real property within the City of Springfield in Bay County, Florida.

SECTION 4. No such license shall be issued to any person to carry on any such business or profession mentioned in this Ordinance within the city limits of the City of Springfield in Bay County, Florida, within a distance of 300 yards of any occupied dwelling house or within a distance of 300 yards of any church or house of worship.

SECTION 5. No such city license shall be granted to any person to engage in any such business or profession as mentioned in this Ordinance unless and until he has submitted proof satisfactory to the City Commission of the good moral character of the person so licensed, and before any such license may be issued a written application shall be filed therefor with the City Clerk at least 30 days prior to the issuance of such license setting forth such information as may be, from time to time, deemed necessary by the City Commission to show that the person so applying for said license is entitled to have the same issued and has complied with all requirements of this Ordinance, and all such licenses may only be issued by the Clerk

on specific authorization from the City Commission, duly entered upon the Minutes; and such license may be revoked by the City Commission after a hearing if it appears, at any time, that each and every provision of this Ordinance is not being complied with.

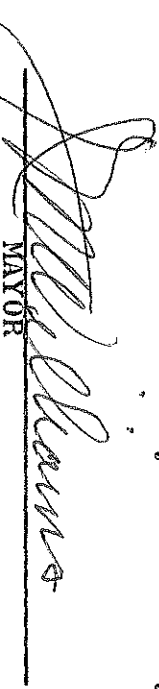
SECTION 6. Ordinances 37, 22 and all other Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase or any other part of this Ordinance is declared invalid for any reason, it shall not affect the validity of any other part or portion thereof.

SECTION 8. Any person found guilty of violating this Ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding \$200.00 or by imprisonment in the city jail for a term not exceeding 60 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment and each separate day shall be constituted a separate and distinct violation rather than a continuing violation.

PASSED IN SPECIAL SESSION this 20th day of February,

A.D. 1958.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK

EXAMINED AND APPROVED BY ME this 20th day of February, A.D. 1958.