ORDINANCE NO. 6184 (General)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SPRINGFIELD MUNICIPAL CODE (SMC) SECTION 5.258, "THE SPRINGFIELD SOCIAL GAMING CODE/TEXAS HOLDEM POKER CARD TOURNAMENT" ORDINANCE.

The Common Council of the City of Springfield finds as follows:

1. It is in the public interest for the City of Springfield to amend SMC Section 5.258, "The Springfield Social Gaming Code, Texas Holdem Poker Card Tournament" so as to prohibit the collection of a $5.00 fee per player for each tournament to be paid to tournament organizers.

2. It is in the public interest for the City of Springfield to amend "The Springfield Social Gaming Code, Texas Holdem Poker Card Tournament" as described above so as to comply with Oregon law.

3. It is in the public interest for the City of Springfield to amend "The Springfield Social Gaming Code, Texax Holdem Poker Card Tournament" SMC Section 5.258(11) to make the licensing deadlines clearer for the public and/or tavern owners.

NOW THEREFORE, based upon the foregoing findings, the City Council of the City of Springfield ordains as follows:

Section A. Section 5.258(2)(c) is hereby deleted from the SMC.

Section B. Section 5.258(2)(d) is hereby amended by renumbering to Section 5.258(2)(c).

Section C. Section 5.258(9)(c) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"5.258(9)(c).

(c) Limitations: There shall be no house player, house bank, house dealer, house odds, and there shall be no income from the operation or buy in fees of the Texas Holdem Poker Card Tournament and tournament organizers may not charge any fee to players or participants in Texas Holdem Poker Card Tournaments as described in the SMC other than the buy in fee described in Section 5.258(2)(b)."

Section D. Section 5.258(10)(a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"5.258(10)(a).

(a) Except for the buy in fee described in Section 5.258(2)(b), no fee may be charged to the players and paid to the house or tournament organizer."

Section E. Section 5.258(11) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"5.258(11). All licenses issued hereunder shall be for a period of one year and shall be renewed annually not later than July 1 of each year. Licenses are not transferable and must be reapplied for not later than July 1 of each year. Persons applying for licenses must submit an application and the appropriate fee. All persons securing a license shall be required to pay an annual fee of $100. There shall be no proration for licenses applied for or renewed after July 1 regarding the annual fee. All renewals shall be approved by the City Manager's office."

Section F. Except as specifically modified herein, all other language of the SMC Social Gaming, Texas Holdem Poker Card Tournament Ordinance as previously adopted remains in full force and effect.

Adopted by the Common Council of the City of Springfield this 18th day of September, 2006, by a vote of 6 in favor 0 against.

Approved by the Mayor of the City of Springfield this 18th day of September, 2006.

Mayor, Sid Leiken

ATTEST:

Amy Sowa

City Recorder, Amy Sowa

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