

ORDINANCE NO. 297

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR LICENSING AND REGULATING THE BUSINESS OF PAWN-BROKERS AND PAWNSHOPS, AND DEFINING THE SAME; FIXING AND IMPOSING THE LICENSE FEE TO BE PAID THEREFOR; PROVIDING REGULATIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF SUCH BUSINESS; FIXING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; DEFINING ALL DUTIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Las Vegas Do Ordain:

Section 1. Any person within the City of Las Vegas who loans money on deposit of personal property or deals in the purchase or possession of personal property on condition of selling the same back again to the pledger or depositor, or who loans or advances money on personal property by taking chattel mortgage security thereon, and takes or received such personal property into his possession, is hereby declared to be a pawnbroker.

Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, association, or corporation to conduct or transact a pawnbroking business, or pawnshop in the City of Las Vegas, without first having procured a city license therefor, as hereinafter provided.

Section 3. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, association, or corporation, to conduct or transact a pawnbroking business, or pawnshop in the City of Las Vegas, unless he, she, they, or it, shall keep posted in a conspicuous place in the place of business, the license certificate therefor, and a copy of all City Ordinances relating to pawnbrokers, and pawnshops.

Section 4. It shall be unlawful for, in all cases in which articles pledged have been forfeited, a sale or other disposition thereof to be made by the pledgee within the period of ninety days after such forfeiture; during which time the pledger shall have the first right to redeem such article or articles at no greater advance than ten per cent upon the amount due, when the forfeiture occurred.

Section 5. It shall be unlawful for any pawnbroker to fail to keep a book in which shall be entered and fairly written in ink, in the English language, at the time of each loan or receipt of personal property, an accurate account and description of the goods, articles or things pawned, or received, the amount of money loaned or advanced thereon, and time when redeemable, the time, both day and hour, of pawning or receiving such goods, article or thing, and the name, residence, age, sex, color, and description as near as possible of the clothing and person pawning or delivering the said goods, articles or things; and no entry made in said book shall be erased, obliterated, or defaced, and the said book, as well as every article or thing pawned, pledged or deposited shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of the Chief of Police or any officer directed by the Chief.

Section 6. Every pawnbroker or pawnshop keeper in the City of Las Vegas must before the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of each and every day, except Sunday, make and deliver to the Chief of Police of said City at the Police Station, a full, true and detailed report in writing, on forms to be approved by the City Commission, setting forth an exact description of each and every article or thing pawned or received by such pawnbroker, or pawnshop keeper during the twenty-four (24) hours immediately preceding such report, such report to be a full, detailed and correct copy of all entries in the book required to be kept as aforesaid; and the report so made on each Monday shall include all articles or things, pawned or received from and after the report made and delivered on the Saturday preceding; Provided, however, that if no article or thing has been pawned or received a report must be made to that effect.

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Section 7. It shall be unlawful for any pawnbroker, pawnshop keeper, servant or employee to receive any goods, articles or things in pawn or pledge from a person who is intoxicated, or known to be an habitual drunkard, a thief, or an insane person, or a person under the age of twenty-one years, without the written or personal consent of the parent or legal guardian of such minor.

Section 8. It shall be unlawful for any pawnbroker to employ any clerk or person under the age of 18 years to receive any pledge or make any loan.

Section 9. The holder of a pawnbroker's license is, and shall be, liable for any and all act of his employees, and for any violation by them of any of the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 10. Application for a pawnbroker's license, or any extension or renewal of same, shall be made annually by petition to the City Council by the applicant and filed with the City Clerk; and such petition must state definitely the particular place at which such business is to be carried on. At the time of filing such petition the applicant shall deposit with the City Clerk an amount of money equal to at least one-half year, and not more than one year's charge for the license applied for, which said sum of money shall be refunded to the applicant upon demand in case the license petitioned for shall not be granted by the City Board of Commissioners. The applicant shall also file with the petition a Bond running to the City of Las Vegas for a period of one year, conditioned for the faithful observance of all ordinances of the City of Las Vegas respecting pawnbrokers, during the continuance of such license, and any renewal thereof, for not more than one year inclusive; which said bond shall be in the sum of ten thousand dollars, with two or more individual sureties. Said bond to be approved by the Mayor before such license shall be issued; provided, however, that in lieu of the aforementioned bond there may be used a surety bond of an acceptable company. To such bond shall be attached a justification to the effect that the sureties are residents within the County of Clark, Nevada and each are worth the amount specified in said bond, over and above all just debts and liabilities, and exclusive of property exempt from execution; Provided, however, that the license provided for in this ordinance shall not permit the licensee to conduct the business of a merchant, or any other business except the sale of pawned or pledged articles or things after forfeiture according to law.

Section 11. No such license shall be issued to any person, copartnership, Corporation or association other than the real and actual proprietor of the business and place of business for which is issued, and the petition for such license in case of a copartnership or association shall state the names in full of each and all of the copartners or associates, and in case of a corporation the name of the officers, and manager thereof. Such license shall be non-transferable to any other person, or place of business, except by a majority vote of the City Commissioners, and the filing of a new bond by the person to whom such license is or may be transferred to assigned; and it shall be unlawful for any person, copartnership, association or corporation to do business, or attempt to do business under a license transferred to him, her, them, or it, without such consent of the City Council; and no pawnbroker's license now issued, or hereafter issued, shall be renewed or extended for a total period of more than one year without complying with all the provisions of this ordinance, and the provisions of this ordinance as to issuance of licenses shall apply to all persons now holding pawnbroker's licenses, when the same shall expire by their terms.

Section 12. All applications for said licenses or renewals thereof, shall be made by petition to the City Council at a regular meeting thereof, and shall be immediately referred to the Chief of Police, or acting Chief, for his approval, and in no case shall a

License be issued or renewed when his disapproval is indorsed upon the petition, except by a majority vote of the City Commissioners. The Chief or acting Chief of Police shall return all such petitions with his approval or rejection indorsed thereon to the City Council for final action at the next regular meeting thereof after the receipt of such petition by him.

Section 13. Every person, firm, association, or corporation engaged in, or proposing to engage in, the business of a pawnbroker in the City of Las Vegas shall pay a quarterly license therefor in the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00).

Section 14. The Chief of Police shall immediately upon adoption and publication of this ordinance cause such a number of blanks to be printed as may be necessary for the purpose of making the reports required by this ordinance, and shall thereafter from time to time cause such additional blanks to be printed as may be required, which said blanks shall be so printed and subdivided and that they shall have space for writing in all the matters required by this ordinance to be registered and reported, and said report shall be written in the English Language in a clear, legible manner. Said blanks shall bear a caption, providing spaces in which shall be filled in the date of said report, the name and residence of the person making the same and the hour of the day when made, and all other matters required by this ordinance to be reported.

Section 15. The Chief of Police shall deliver said blanks to the person from whom said reports are required, from time to time, at the cost to the Police Department, and shall upon receipt of such reports file the same in some secure place in his office, and the same shall be open to inspection only to the Chief of Police or any officer directed by the Chief, or upon the order of some Court duly made for that purpose.

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Section 17. Any person violation any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), or by imprisonment in the City Jail not less than Twenty-Five Days (25), or by both such fine and imprisonment, and the license of such person may be ordered forfeited, and cancelled and revoked by the City Commissioners.

Section 18. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 19. This ordinance shall be and become effective immediately after its adoption, and approval and the publication thereof in The Las Vegas Evening Review Journal, a daily newspaper, published in the City of Las Vegas, for a period of once a week for two consecutive weeks immediately following its first reading.

The above and foregoing ordinance was proposed, read aloud in full and adopted this 7th day of June, 1943 by the following vote:

Voting aye: Commissioners Baskin, Bates,
Clark, Corradetti & his Honor Mayor Craig

Voting no: None

Absent : None

Attest Helen Scott Reed approved: [Signature]
City Clerk Mayor

And it was thereafter read aloud to the Board for a second time at a regular meeting of the Board held on the 22nd day of June, 1943.

Voting aye: Comm. Baskin, Bates, Clark & Mayor Craig

Voting no: none

Absent : Comm. Corradetti

Attest:

Approved:

Helen Scott Reed
City Clerk

[Signature]
Mayor

(Seal)

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF NEVADA, {
COUNTY OF CLARK } ss.

Dick Lochrie

, being first duly sworn,

deposes and says: That he is *foreman* of the
LAS VEGAS EVENING REVIEW-JOURNAL, a daily newspaper, of gen-
eral circulation, printed and published at Las Vegas, in the County of
Clark, State of Nevada, and that the attached was continuously published

in said newspaper for a period of *two weeks*

from *June 11, 1945* to *June 18, 1945*

inclusive, being the issues of said newspaper for the following dates, to-wit:

June 11, 18 - 1945

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on each of the
dates above named.

Signed

Dick Lochrie

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
day of

18th

June, 1945

[Signature]
Notary Public in and for Clark County, Nevada.

My Commission Expires

Jan 12, 1947

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Absent: None.

Approved: E. W. CRAGIN, Mayor.

ATTEST: HELEN SCOTT REED, City Clerk.

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