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SUBJECT: Tacoma Municipal Code Title 6 Amendments – Entertainment Licenses
DATE: June 4, 2019

PRESENTATION TYPE:

Request for Ordinance

SUMMARY:

Staff is proposing to amend Tacoma Municipal Code (TMC), Chapters 6B.70 and 6B.80 – Entertainment & Dancing licenses that will clean up conflicting language and provide clear expectations for temporary entertainment events. Staff is seeking a recommendation to take the proposed amendments to the full council for consideration.

BACKGROUND:

A comprehensive review of Title 6 was completed in October of 2018 with amendments that included clean-up of language, changes to provide consistency within the TMC and repeal of regulatory licenses no longer needed.

ISSUE:

As a result of the amendments to Title 6 in October 2018, a few areas have been identified as needing further revision to ensure consistent and clear application of requirements for temporary entertainment events.

- Removing language that conflicts with other sections of the chapter from the definition of “temporary event” in 6B.70 and 6B.80.
- Adding in a requirement to provide “description of entertainment activity” on the Written Safety Plan.
- Adding language in 6B.80.035.C clarifying that although a temporary event is exempt from the license fee, they may need to submit a Written Safety Plan.
- Creating a new section for Temporary Events in 6B.70 and 6B.80.
- Updating definitions and references of “alcohol” to “liquor.”

ALTERNATIVES:

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the proposed amendments in TMC Chapters 6B.70 and 6B.80 move to the full council for consideration.