

ORDINANCE NO. L-256

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE I, IN GENERAL, AMENDING SECTION 9-1, BOAT LICENSE; AND AMENDING CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE II, **BUSINESS TAX**; AMENDING SECTION 9-30, FEES, TO PROVIDE FOR A 5% INCREASE IN BUSINESS TAX FEES FOR BUSINESSES, PROFESSIONS, OR OCCUPATIONS; AMENDING SECTION 9-30(188) BY DELETING QUALIFYING BROKER, BROKER-SALESMAN, AND ADDITIONAL SALESMAN CATEGORIES, AND ADDING REAL ESTATE OFFICE CATEGORY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Florida Statute 205.042 allows the governing body of an incorporated municipality to levy by resolution or ordinance, a business tax for the privilege of engaging in or managing any business, profession, or occupation within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, Under Florida Statute 205.0535, by October 1, 2008 a municipality that has adopted by ordinance a local business tax after October 1, 1995, may reclassify and may establish new rate structures for businesses, professions, and occupations provided certain conditions are met under said statute; and

WHEREAS, An Equity Study Commission, as required by Florida Statute 205.0535(2) was established by the City Commission; and the Equity Study Commission did meet on July 1, 2008, and by motion recommended a 10% initial increase in the business tax fee and then a 5% increase every 2 years thereafter; and

WHEREAS, The City Commission did meet on August 18, 2008, and by motion unanimously passed Ordinance No. L-35, the initial 10% increase in the business tax fee.

WHEREAS, The City Commission did meet on June 6, 2010, and by motion unanimously passed Ordinance No. L-121, to provide a 5% increase in the business tax fee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 9, Article I, In General, Section 9-1, Boat License, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9-1. **Boat license business tax.**

(a) A ~~license fee~~ **business tax** as set out in Section 9-30(28) ~~thirty-eight dollars and fifty cent (\$38.50)~~ is hereby imposed upon every "vessel" operated upon the waterways in the city, as defined in this section.

(b) The following words as used in this section shall have the following meanings:

Bottom fishing boat: A watercraft held out to the public for rent or charter for a specified fee for each passenger and whose principal business shall be that of bottom fishing.

Charter boat: A watercraft held out to the public for rent or charter for a specified fee or charter price, with a captain on board at all times, and ready to leave the dock with the charter party. Such boat shall be available to the public in general payment of the specified fee, must so equip itself to be suitable for the purpose for which chartered and must be primarily used for charter or rent.

Sightseeing boats: Watercraft engaged in transporting the public for hire on the waterways within the city limits for sightseeing purposes.

Vessels: Bottom fishing boats, charter boats and sightseeing boats, as herein defined.

SECTION 2. Chapter 9, Article II, Business Tax, Section 9-30, Fees, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9-30. Fees.

The amount which shall be paid by the several persons engaging in or managing their respective businesses, professions or occupations are hereby fixed as follows per annum, unless otherwise provided:

A

- (1) ABSTRACTORS of TITLE from PUBLIC RECORDS . . . ~~\$115.50~~ 121.28
- (2) ACCOUNTANTS or AUDITORS . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(CPAs must first secure and submit state license)
- ADULT LIVING FACILITY - See Nursing Homes
- (3) ADVERTISING:
 - a. Agency . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 - b. Billboards or sign boards, either by permanent signs thereon or paper pasted on or attached thereto . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
 - c. Motor vehicles, where charge is made by owners for attaching advertising matter on vehicle, per vehicle . . . ~~23.10~~ 24.26
 - d. Publishing or distributing advertising bulletins or handbills, not connected with licensed business . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (4) AGENTS or AGENCIES:
 - a. Automobile. See Motor Vehicles.
 - b. Booking (entertainment, shows, etc.) . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
 - c. Claims and collections other than bankers, lawyer, each . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - d. Credit reporting and mercantile . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - e. Employment . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
 - f. Equipment . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 - g. Insurance. See that item.
 - h. Labor or emigration. See that item.
 - i. Modeling (Requires state registration) . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 - j. Private detective. See Detective.
 - k. Real estate. See that item.
 - l. Rental: appliances, equipment. See Rental Business . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 - m. Stevedoring company or agency . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - n. Talent agency (Requires state registration) . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - o. Trailers, sales agency. See Motor Vehicles.
 - p. Unclassified and not otherwise specified . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (5) ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ESTABLISHMENTS, not doing business as a restaurant, shall be licensed for sale of snacks and cold drinks served in connection therewith. (See Chapter 3) . . . ~~23.10~~ 24.26
- (6) AMUSEMENT MACHINES. See Coin-Operated Machines.
- (7) ANIMAL GROOMING . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (8) ANIMAL HOSPITAL. See Kennels; Veterinarian.
ANSWERING SERVICE (See Telephone Answering Service)
- (9) ARCADES. . .
 - (a) AMUSEMENT ARCADE (3-49 Devices) . . . ~~191.00~~ 200.55
 - (b) ARCADE AMUSEMENT CENTER (50+ Devices) . . . ~~525.00~~

551.25

APPRAISER: SEE REAL ESTATE

- (10) ARCHITECTS, each (Must first secure and submit state license) . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (11) ARTISTS or ART STUDIOS or ART GALLERIES or ARTS & CRAFTS . . . ~~28.88~~ 30.32
- (12) ATTORNEYS AT LAW . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (13) AUCTION SHOP . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (14) AUCTIONEER . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Regulations for conducting sales, etc., section 9-46 et seq.)
- (15) AUDITORS. See Accountants.
- (16) AUTOMOBILES. See Motor Vehicles.
- (17) AWNING AND TENT MAKING SHOP. See Manufacturers.

B

- (18) BABY SITTING
 - a. Five or less children, nonrelatives . . . ~~34.65~~ 36.38
 - b. More than five children--See Child Care Centers.
- (19) BAKERY. See Manufacturers. Must have Dept. of Agriculture Registration. F.S. Chapter 500.
- (20) BANKS, state or national, trust companies, persons doing a banking business . . . ~~231.00~~ 242.55
 - a. ATM's per location . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - b. Credit Unions . . . ~~231.00~~ 242.55
- (21) BARBERSHOPS: (Must first secure and submit state license)
 - a. One chair . . . ~~21.66~~ 22.74
 - b. Each additional chair . . . ~~7.22~~ 7.58
- (22) BEAUTY COLLEGES. See Schools
- (23) BEAUTY SHOPS:
 - a. Hairdressers and manicurists, one operator . . . ~~21.66~~ 22.74
(Must first secure and submit state license)
 - b. Each additional operator . . . ~~7.22~~ 7.58
(Must first secure and submit state license)
 - c. Electrolysis . . . ~~21.66~~ 22.74
 - d. Tanning booths, each . . . ~~28.88~~ 30.32
- (24) BEER PARLORS. See Chapter 3.
- (25) BICYCLES, sales agency, rentals, and/or repairs . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (26) BILLIARDS or POOL TABLES, for profit, each table assembled . . . ~~34.65~~ 36.38
- (27) Reserved.
- (28) BOATS:
 - a. Builder. See Manufacturers.
 - b. Charter boats, bottom fishing boats, sightseeing boats. (Fees and regulations, section 9-1) . . . ~~40.43~~ 42.45
 - c. For hire, canoes, row boats, motorboats, inboard or outboard motors (except as provided in section 9-1), each boat . . . ~~6.93~~ 7.28
 - d. Boat repair - See Machine & Repair Shop Repair.
 - e. Boat sales . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (29) BONDS, CRIMINAL or BAIL, doing business of securing or furnishing for pay:
 - a. Each agency, local or otherwise . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - b. Each company . . . ~~6.93~~ 7.28
(Must exhibit state license before license is issued)
- (30) BOOKKEEPING SERVICE, manual or computerized . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (31) BOOKS AND STATIONERY. See Merchants.

- (32) BOOTBLACK STANDS . . . ~~11.55~~ 12.16
(Locations designated by city planner)
- (33) BOTTLING WORKS or CARBONATED BEVERAGES:
 - a. Including one delivery truck . . . ~~72.19~~ 75.80
 - b. Each additional truck . . . ~~36.10~~ 37.91
 - c. Wholesale distributors. See Manufacturers.
- (34) BOWLING ALLEYS . . . ~~34.65~~ 36.38
- (35) BROADCASTING STATIONS . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
- (36) BROKERS:
 - a. Commodities (includes gold and silver) . . . ~~346.50~~ 363.83
 - b. Insurance . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - c. Lumber and lumber products . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - d. Merchandise . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - e. Mortgages or loans . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - f. Not otherwise specified . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - g. Produce, dealing in fruits and vegetables . . . ~~173.25~~ 181.91
 - h. Produce, dealing in fruits or vegetables . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - i. Stocks and bonds . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (37) BUILDERS. See Contractors.
- (38) BUILDING and LOAN ASSOCIATIONS. See Banks.
- (39) BUSINESS SCHOOLS, See Schools.

C

- (40) CABINET SHOPS. See Manufacturers.
- (41) CABLEVISION SALES OFFICE . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
- (42) CAFES, CAFETERIAS, AND RESTAURANTS:
Municipal receipt not to be issued to hotels and restaurants until receipted by the Dept. of Agriculture & Consumer Services Division of hotels and restaurants F.S. 509 Part 1.
 - a. Minimum 10 seats or less . . . ~~14.44~~ 15.16
 - b. First 25 accommodations, per accommodation . . . ~~1.45~~ 1.52
 - c. Over 25 accommodations, per accommodation . . . ~~0.72~~ 0.76
- (43) CANNING. See Manufacturers.
- (44) CAR WASH, Self-service, automatic, mobile, or detailing . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
- (45) Reserved.
- (46) CARTOONISTS. See Artists.
- (47) CATERING, furnishing food & service for social affairs . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
- (48) CEMENT BLOCKS. See Manufacturers and Truck and Vehicles
- (49) CEMETERIES, operated for profit . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (50) CHECK CASHING . . . ~~173.25~~ 181.91
- (51) CHILD CARE CENTERS. More than five children, nonrelatives.
See F. S. Chapter 402.301 County designated HRS as Licensing Agency. Need city planner approval as to zoning . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (52) CHIROPODISTS, each . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must first secure and submit state license)
- (53) CHIROPRACTORS, each . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must first secure and submit state license)
- (54) Reserved.
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- (56) CITRUS FRUIT SHIPPERS, places where orders for fruit are

- taken and are filled or shipped (excluding packing houses) and novelty items may be sold . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (57) CIVIL ENGINEER, See Engineers
- (58) CLEANING SERVICE, carpet, janitor, maid, window, house, mobile homes, et al. (For automobiles, see Car wash) . . . ~~28.88~~ 30.32
- (59) COIN-OPERATED MACHINES or DEVICES:
- a. Operator. See section 9-135 . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 - b. Automatic music machines. See section 9-131 et seq. . . . ~~5.78~~ 6.07
 - c. Automatic skill and amusement machines. See section 9-131 et seq. . . . ~~5.78~~ 6.07
 - d. Game Room . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
 - e. Radio or television, per unit . . . ~~2.89~~ 3.03
 - f. Vending machines, except cigarette and postage stamp machines, the owners of which shall furnish to the city clerk a complete list of the locations and type of each vending machine . . . ~~5.78~~ 6.07
 - g. Weighing machines, each . . . ~~7.22~~ 7.58
 - h. Transfer of a coin-operated license sticker from machine to machine . . . ~~1.16~~ 1.22
- Where the machine in "f" is a newspaper vending machine, or where the entire receipts from machines in "f" and "g" are used for charitable purposes only, including the purposes of churches and nonprofit organizations, which organization is a local organization and maintains such machines on its premises, the receipt and transfer fee per machine shall be exempt upon application and filing of a list of the locations and type of vending machine with the city clerk.
- (60) COLD DRINKS, CANDIES, MILK, ICE CREAM, CRACKERS, WRAPPED SANDWICHES, BREAD, PASTRIES, and SNACKS:
- a. In addition to another license . . . ~~23.10~~ 24.26
- (61) COLLECTION AGENCY. See Agents or Agencies.
- (62) COMPUTER SERVICE . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
- a. Computer programming . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - b. Writing computer software . . . ~~173.25~~ 181.91
 - c. Repair . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
- (63) Reserved.
- (64) CONCRETE MIXER TRUCKS, each truck . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (65) CONSULTANTS, bonds, business, computer et al. . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (66) CONSULTING ENGINEER, See Engineers
- (67) CONTRACTORS, general or specialty . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must present City Competency Card, section 5-36)
See also Contractors: Building, Electrical, Gas, Plumbing.
- COUNSELORS See Professions.
- (68) CREDIT BUREAUS, persons or agents thereof operating in the city supplying information or collecting accounts for members or others . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (69) COURT REPORTERS . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28

D

- DAIRY PRODUCTS & DISTRIBUTORS. See Milk.
- (70) DANCE HALLS . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (71) DANCING SCHOOLS or DANCING INSTRUCTION. See Schools
- (72) DEADLY WEAPONS. See Firearms. (Sale of brass knuckles, bowie knives, dirk knives, etc., to minors is forbidden by state law.)
- (73) DELICATESSEN and/or TAKE OUT SERVICE . . . ~~21.66~~ 22.74

- (74) DENTISTS, each . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must first secure and submit state license)
- (75) DETECTIVE, Private . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must be duly licensed by the state prior to the issuance of a business tax and said state license must be in full force and effect and upon revocation or suspension of the state license, the city business tax will terminate.)
- (76) DIRECTORY, public, for profit . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (77) DRAFTSMEN, DRAFTING ENGINEERS, See Engineers.
- (78) DRIVE-INS. See Cafes and Cafeterias; Theaters.
- (79) DRY CLEANERS . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 - a. Each pick up station . . . ~~11.55~~ 12.13

E

- (80) ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS, general or subcontractor . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(For examination prior to issuance of license and other regulatory provisions see Chapter 5, Article VI)
- (81) ELECTRICAL LIGHT or POWER COMPANIES, furnishing light and power in city. (By authority of city commission only)
- (82) ELECTROLYSIS. See Beauty Shops.
- (83) ENGINEERS . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (84) ENGRAVERS, PHOTO, each . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (85) EXERCISE CLUBS & CLINICS. See Health Studios.
- (86) Reserved.
- (87) EXPRESS COMPANIES . . . ~~231.00~~ 242.55
- (88) EXTERMINATORS:
 - a. Including one truck . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 - b. Each additional truck . . . ~~28.88~~ 30.32
(Must first secure and submit state license)

F

- (89) FILLING STATION.
 - a. One gasoline nozzle installed . . . ~~50.54~~ 53.07
 - b. Each additional nozzle (or each grade of gasoline) installed . . . ~~7.22~~ 7.58
(Accessories incidental to such business permitted without extra charge.) See section 9-321 et seq.
- (90) FINANCE COMPANIES. See Money Lenders.
- (91) FIRE AND BANKRUPT SALES, etc.:
 - a. For stock less than \$5,000.00 value . . . ~~288.75~~ 303.19
 - b. For each additional \$1,000.00 value . . . ~~28.88~~ 30.32
(For requirement of affidavit of stock, see section 9-22)
- (92) FIREARMS: See also: Gunsmith
 - a. Sale of shotguns, revolvers and other legitimate weapons . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - b. With other license . . . ~~23.10~~ 24.26
Federal Firearms Permit Required
- (93) FISH MARKET
 - a. Retail . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 - b. Wholesale . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
Seafood Dealer's License Taxes--Florida Statutes Chapter 370.
- (94) FISH PEDDLER . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (95) FISHING, salt water. State license necessary. (For regulatory provisions relating to charter boats, etc., see section 9-1.)
- (96) FLEA MARKET. See section 9-176 et seq. . . . ~~231.00~~ 242.55
 - a. Tenant of the flea market operating a stall, unit, section, space or booth . . . ~~17.33~~ 18.20

- (97) FLORIST SHOP. See Merchants.
- (98) FORTUNETELLER, PALMIST, and CLAIRVOYANT, ETC., per year
 . . . ~~173.25~~ 181.91
- (99) FRUIT PACKING HOUSES. See Packinghouses; Brokers.
- (100) FUNERAL HOME . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 (Must first secure and submit state license)

G

- (101) GARAGES. See Machine and Repair Shop.
- (102) GARBAGE HAULING, for profit. (By authority of city commission only.)
 (For regulatory provisions see Chapter 16.)
- (103) GAS:
 - a. Contractors, installing containers, piping, fixtures and appliances:
 - 1. Not connected with other business . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 When connected with other business . . . ~~69.30~~ 72.77
 (Not transferable. Liquefied petroleum gas contractors must present state license with application. All applicants must be approved by gas board as provided in section 8-24.)
 - b. Distributors:
 - 1. Not connected with other business . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - 2. When connected with other business . . . ~~92.40~~ 97.02
 (Not transferable. Must present state license with application. Must be approved by gas board as provided in section 8-24.)
- (104) GASOLINE, retail. See Filling Stations.
 - a. Jobbing or wholesale . . . ~~259.88~~ 272.87
- (105) GOLD, SILVER and NICKLE PLATING. See Manufacturers.
- (106) GOLF:
 - a. Driving ranges or practice courses . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 - b. Miniature . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (107) GREASE and OIL SALVAGE COLLECTION . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (108) GUNSMITH. See Machine and Repair Shops.
- (109) Reserved.

H

- (110) HANDYMAN. (Household repairs not requiring a permit) .
 . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (111) HEALTH STUDIOS. See F. S. Chapter 501.015 . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
 Requires certificate of registration from Dept. of Agriculture
- (112) HOSPITALS, SANITARIUMS, other like institutions operated for profit . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - a. Home health care services . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - b. Medical clinics, offices etc. . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (113) HOTELS*

***State law references:** Municipal receipt not to be issued to hotels and restaurants until licensed by division of hotel and restaurants of the state department of business regulation, F. S. § 509.271.

- a. Five rooms or less . . . No charge
- b. Six rooms . . . ~~14.44~~ 15.16
- c. Each additional room . . . ~~0.72~~ 0.76
(Business tax must be taken on all rooms whether used or unused. If operated under European plan, must take restaurant receipt in addition.)
- (114) HOUSE MOVERS (Specialty contractor) . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
(Permit must be obtained from city manager before moving house on or across street. Must furnish bond, acceptable to director of finance in amount of \$1,000.00)
- (115) Reserved.

I

- (116) ICE:
 - a. Delivery . . . ~~23.10~~ 24.26
 - b. Factories and plants. See Manufacturers.
 - c. Sales station (wholesale or retail), does not include delivery from truck . . . ~~23.10~~ 24.26
- (117) ICE CREAM:
 - a. Manufacturers, wholesale and retail:
 - 1. Including one truck . . . ~~72.19~~ 75.80
Each additional truck . . . ~~36.10~~ 37.91
 - b. Parlor of soda fountain:
 - 1. Not connected with other business . . . ~~34.65~~ 36.38
When connected with other business . . . ~~23.10~~ 24.26
(Provided, if plate lunches or hot food is served, restaurant receipt additional is required, see Cafes, Cafeterias, and Restaurants)
- (118) ICE CREAM PEDDLERS:
 - a. Each vehicle . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - b. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in or manage the business of vending, hawking, peddling, selling or offering for sale at retail to consumers upon any public street, alley, public place or highway within the city from any vehicle driven by power or otherwise, any ice cream, until he has first obtained a certificate of approval from the health officer of the county, and been issued a receipt by the city clerk.
- IMPORT/EXPORT (See Merchant)
- (119) INSURANCE:
 - a. Adjusters . . . ~~23.10~~ 24.26
 - b. Agency: Any person who represents or otherwise acts as an agent for an insurance company as defined in (d) herein, or who operates and maintains an office or place of business in the city shall be deemed to constitute and operate an insurance agency:
 - 1. Permitting operation of only one person . . . ~~6.93~~ 7.28
Each additional person (solicitor, salesman) taking application for, negotiating, effecting or collecting premiums . . . ~~6.93~~ 7.28
(Each insurance company represented must first take out receipt as in (d) herein for such company) receipt or permit must be displayed by each insurance agency showing receipt paid for each company represented.

3. Traveling agent, soliciting insurance of any kind, for mutual, reciprocal or other associations, companies or exchanges. (Not permitted to operate under resident agent's receipt nor to solicit business for a company not receipted to operate in the city.)
Each agent . . . ~~28.88~~ 30.32
 - c. Baggage, each company represented, insurance transit baggage and/or insurance tickets in connection with transportation for each company represented . . . ~~23.10~~ 24.26
 - d. Companies:
 1. Casualty and liability insurance companies (including bonding companies) . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
Writing:
 - (i) Accident and health insurance, only, on annual, semi-annual or quarterly premium paying basis, and
 - (ii) Bonds, including fidelity, court contract and surety bonds and financial guarantees and title insurance or guarantees,
 - (iii) Burglary insurance, including residence, bank, stocks, bonds and securities, safe burglary and holdup and messenger robbery,
 - (iv) Liability insurance, including employers, public and other forms of liability insurance and automobile liability for personal injury, property damage and collision,
 - (v) Plate glass insurance,
 - (vi) Workman's collective insurance issued to employers of labor.
 Fire insurance companies, writing policies of insurance against hazards of fire, tornado and windstorms, use and occupancy, profits, rents, leaseholder, insurrections, riot and civil commotion, sprinkler, leakage, rain, fire, theft, automobile collision; and marine cargoes and hulls, and rail, mail and express shipments, against fire, collision, stranding or sinking . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 3. Industrial insurance companies (including funeral benefit associations or companies) writing life and/or accident and health insurance and funeral benefits on a weekly, bimonthly or monthly premium-paying basis . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
 4. Life insurance companies writing life insurance with or without disability clauses or accident and health features as a part of the policy contract upon annual, semi-annual or quarter-annual premium paying basis . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
 - e. Premium financing . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
 - f. In the event subsection (119), or any portion thereof, is preempted or modified by state statute, the fees pursuant to this subsection shall be the maximum allowed under state law.*
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***State law references:** Municipal business tax, F.S. § 624.507; state regulates title insurance, F.S. § 627.785.

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- (120) INTERIOR DECORATORS . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(121) ITINERANT MERCHANTS, VENDORS. See section 9-76 et seq.

J

- (122) JANITORIAL SERVICE. See Cleaning Service.
(123) JEWELRY and WATCH REPAIRING:
a. Alone . . . ~~46.20~~ 48.51
b. Additional to jewelry store . . . No Charge
See also, Merchants.
(124) JOBBERS, WHOLESALE or MANUFACTURERS:
a. Not local, selling and/or delivering from trucks,
see Trucks.
b. If local, see Merchants; Manufacturers.
(125) JUNK SHOPS and DEALERS. Junk, old trash, rags, metal,
rubber, etc., including those gathering about city in
trucks. (Location must be approved by city manager before
receipt is issued) . . . ~~173.25~~ 181.91
Secondhand Goods, See Article VI, Sec. 9-151 et seq.

K

- KARATE: See Martial Arts
(126) KENNELS, dog and animal . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(127) KNIFE and SCISSORS SHARPENER . . . ~~11.55~~ 12.13

L

- (128) LABOR OR EMIGRANT AGENTS, including anyone who, as agent
for another, solicits or procures laborers within the
city, whether to be employed in the city or elsewhere,
except state and federal, also free agencies established
by city manager . . . ~~577.50~~ 606.38
(129) LABORATORIES:
a. Chemical . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
b. Clinical . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
c. Dental . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
d. Medical . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
e. Optical . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(130) LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT, buying, selling, or moving plants
and trees or doing general landscape business
. . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(131) LANDSCAPE CONTRACTOR, general landscaping with
irrigation system installation and maintenance . . .
~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must submit City Competency Card)
(132) LAUNDRIES:
a. Steam . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
b. Automatic or self service . . . ~~69.30~~ 72.77
c. Pick-up stations, each . . . ~~11.55~~ 12.13
(133) LAWN SERVICE and CARE . . . ~~80.83~~ 84.89
(134) LAWYERS. See Attorneys at Law.
(135) LIQUOR and LIQUOR PACKAGE STORES. See Chapter 3.
(136) LIVESTOCK DEALERS . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(137) LOCKSMITHS . . . ~~21.66~~ 22.74

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- (138) MACHINE and REPAIR SHOPS, individually classified herein and referred to in this subsection, not licensed as an automobile agency, or under any item in this chapter, and permitted to carry stock of parts necessary and to be used only in making repairs in the shop licensed; if any portion of such stock is sold in any other manner, a merchant's receipt is required. Employing, including owner and operators:
- a. Not exceeding three persons . . . ~~21.66~~ 22.74
 - b. Four persons and not exceeding eight . . . ~~51.54~~ 54.12
 - c. Nine persons and not exceeding twenty . . . ~~144.38~~ 151.60
 - d. More than twenty persons . . . ~~216.83~~ 227.67
- MAIL ORDER BUSINESS - See Unclassified
- MANICURISTS. See Beauty Shops.
- (139) MARINA-SALES of items incidental to boating and SERVICE . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
(For boat sales, see Boats. For repair shop, see Machine & Repair Shop.)
- (140) Reserved.
- (141) MANUFACTURERS, factories, classified individually in this article and referred to this subsection; permitted to manufacture and sell the products manufactured, when employing (including owner and operators actively engaged in such business):
- a. Not exceeding three persons . . . ~~21.66~~ 22.74
 - b. Four and not exceeding eight persons . . . ~~51.54~~ 54.12
 - c. Nine and not exceeding twenty persons . . . ~~144.38~~ 151.60
 - d. More than twenty persons . . . ~~216.83~~ 227.67
- (142) MARBLE:
- a. Monument and stone rutting . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 - b. Dealer with stock. See Merchants. See also, Manufacturers.
- MARTIAL ARTS STUDIO or SCHOOL (See Schools)
- (143) MASSEURS . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
(Must comply with State Law before receipt is issued, F. S. Chapter 480)
- (144) MEAT:
- a. Wholesale dealer . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - b. Markets, fresh, wholesale or retail, forty cents per cubic foot or refrigerated or cooled display or storage space:
 - 1. Minimum . . . ~~34.65~~ 36.38
Maximum . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
(Not included in merchant's receipt. Must comply with sanitary requirements.)
- MEDICAL CLINIC: See hospitals
- (145) MERCHANTS:
- a. Retail or wholesale merchants (provided receipt shall permit but one location) when the average value of stock of goods carried is as follows:
 - 1. Not exceeding \$10,000.00 . . . ~~21.66~~ 22.74
Over \$10,000.00 but not exceeding \$30,000.00 . . . ~~36.10~~ 37.91
 - 3. Over \$30,000.00 but not exceeding \$50,000.00 . . . ~~72.19~~ 75.80
 - 4. Over \$50,000.00 . . . ~~315.00~~ 330.75
(See also Itinerant Merchant)
(For provisions relating to affidavit as to value of stock, see section 9-22.)
- (146) MILK and DAIRY PRODUCTS DISTRIBUTORS:

- a. Wholesale or retail, one truck . . . ~~72.19~~ 75.80
- b. Each additional truck . . . ~~36.10~~ 37.91
(For regulations of production and sales, see F. S., Chapter 502)
- (147) MOBILE HOME PARKS:
 - a. Minimum . . . ~~129.94~~ 136.44
 - b. Per mobile home space . . . ~~1.16~~ 1.22
(See F. S. § 205.043)
- MOBILE REPAIR: See Repair and Service Men
- (148) MONEY BROKERS or LENDERS:
 - a. Loaning or advancing money for real or personal property; such as lending or advancing money on motor vehicles, per year . . . ~~231.00~~ 249.48
 - b. Salary buyers, and all persons (except banks, or bankers) taking, buying or selling assignments of or contracts for the purchase, sale, transfer or assignment of wages or salaries, earned or to be earned in the future, by any other person, per year, or fraction thereof . . . ~~259.88~~ 272.87
- (149) MOTELS: (Division of hotel/motel certificate required F.S. Chapter 509.271)
 - a. Ten units or less . . . ~~36.10~~ 37.91
 - b. Each additional unit . . . ~~4.34~~ 4.56
- (150) MOTION PICTURE and VIDEO RENTAL LIBRARY . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (151) MOTOR CYCLE/MOTOR SCOOTER, sales and service . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (152) MOTOR VEHICLES: (State dealership license required)
 - a. Dealers in automobiles, trucks or tractors carrying in stock repair parts to serve lines or makes handled, dealing in secondhand cars taken in exchange on sales of new cars and conducting a repair shop including upholstering, painting metal body and fender straightening and other such service, any or all, or a combination of such services:
 - 1. Conducted from one location . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
For each additional location for sale of cars taken in exchange on sales of new cars . . . ~~72.19~~ 75.80
 - 3. Each auto wrecking service truck in excess of one . . . ~~14.44~~ 15.16
 - b. Rental service. See rental cars and trucks.
 - c. Secondhand dealers, trading, buying and selling secondhand automobiles, trucks or tractors, for each location . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - d. Trailers, dealers or sales agencies . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - e. Wrecker service: (See provisions Article IX)
 - 1. One truck . . . ~~50.54~~ 53.07
 - 2. Each additional truck . . . ~~14.44~~ 15.16
 - f. For the following auto service shops, see Machine and Repair Shops:
 - 1. Machine shop.
 - Painting.
 - 3. Radiator repairing.
 - 4. Tire and tube repairing.
 - 5. Top and upholstering.
- (153) MUSIC STUDIOS, recording, productions, practice . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
For Music Schools, see Schools

- (154) NATUROPATHS, each . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must first secure and submit state license)
- (155) NEWSPAPERS:
a. Published less than six times per week . . . ~~115.50~~
121.28
b. Published six or more times per week . . . ~~231.00~~
242.55
c. Circulation Agency . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (156) NEWSSTANDS. See Merchants.
- (157) NURSERY. Shrubs, trees, plants, sod, etc. . . . ~~92.40~~
97.02
(Does not apply where landscape license is paid)
- (158) NURSING HOMES (HRS Certification required) . . . ~~80.85~~
84.89
(If meals are served, a restaurant receipt is required,
see Cafes, Cafeterias, and Restaurants)
a. Assisted living facility or adult congregate living
facility . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28

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- (159) OFFICE SUPPLIES and FURNITURE. See Merchants.
- (160) OPTICIANS . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must first secure and submit state license)
- (161) OPTOMETRISTS . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must first secure and submit a state license)
- (162) OSTEOPATHS . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must first secure and submit state license)

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- (163) PACKINGHOUSES, VEGETABLES, MEATS, etc. . . . ~~259.88~~
272.87
(Must comply with all sanitary regulations of the city
and state and be open for inspection at all reasonable
times)
- (164) PAINTERS. See Contractors.
- (165) PALMISTS. See Fortunetellers.
PAPERHANGERS, general or subcontractor. See Contractors.
- (166) PARALEGAL SERVICE . . . ~~86.63~~ 90.96
- (167) PARCEL DELIVERY . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
- (168) PARKING LOTS:
a. One to ten cars . . . ~~14.44~~ 15.16
b. Eleven to thirty cars . . . ~~50.54~~ 53.07
c. Thirty-one to sixty cars . . . ~~72.19~~ 75.80
d. Sixty-one to one hundred cars . . . ~~108.29~~ 113.70
e. One hundred one cars and over . . . ~~144.38~~ 151.60
- (169) PAWNBROKERS . . . ~~259.88~~ 272.87
(Not transferable. Subject to certain police
regulations, see Article VI of this chapter)
- (170) PEANUT VENDOR, on street, resident . . . ~~23.10~~ 24.26
(Must have permission of the city manager)
- (171) PEDDLERS, SOLICITORS, and VENDORS . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Section 9-76 et seq.)
- (172) PHOTO ENGRAVERS. See Engravers.
- (173) PHOTOGRAPHERS, FERRO TYPERS, CRAYON ARTISTS . . . ~~115.50~~
121.28
See also Artists. Any person soliciting orders for above
shall also comply with the provisions of section 9-76
et seq. relating to peddlers, solicitors and canvassers.
- (174) PHOTOGRAPHERS' SUPPLIES. See Merchants.
- (175) Reserved.

- (176) PHYSICIANS and SURGEONS . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must first secure and submit state license)
- (177) PIANO TUNERS . . . ~~46.20~~ 48.51
- (178) PIPE FITTING. See Plumbers.
- (179) PLUMBERS:
 - a. Master . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - b. Journeyman . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
(For provisions regulating examinations for license,
see Chapter 5, Article V.)
- (180) POLYGRAPH TESTING . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
- (181) Reserved.
- (182) POOL TABLES. See Billiards.
PRESSURE CLEANING: See Contractor
- (183) PRINTING and/or PUBLISHING:
 - a. Alone . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 - b. In addition to another license . . . ~~23.10~~ 24.26
- (184) PROFESSIONS, as individually classified in this chapter:
 - a. One person . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - b. Each additional person . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
Provided, no receipt shall be issued until a lawful
certificate, if required by state law, is presented
to the city clerk.
- (185) PROPERTY MANAGEMENT. See Real Estate.
- (186) PSYCHOLOGIST or PSYCHIATRIST . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must be licensed by state)

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- (187) RAILROAD COMPANIES whose track extends into or through
the corporate limits of the city . . . ~~433.13~~ 454.79
- (188) REAL ESTATE or REAL ESTATE BUSINESS or AGENCY:
 - a. ~~Qualifying broker~~ Real Estate Office (must submit
state license of qualifying broker) . . . ~~72.19~~ 75.80
(Qualifying broker, ~~broker-salesman~~, and additional
~~salesmen~~ must first submit and secure state license)
(For regulatory provisions, see F. S. Chapter 475)
 - b. ~~Broker-salesman~~ . . . ~~36.10~~ Reserved
 - c. ~~Each additional salesman~~ . . . ~~36.10~~ Reserved
 - d. Land development management office or property
management, sales and rental . . . ~~50.54~~ 53.07
 - e. Appraisers . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (189) REDUCING SALONS. See Health Studios.
- (190) RENTAL BUSINESS:
 - a. Cars, trucks, and recreational vehicles . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Includes limousines and vans and heavy equipment)
 - b. Appliances, furniture, household equipment, etc. .
. . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (191) REPAIR and SERVICE MEN: (See also: HANDYMAN)
 - a. With shop. See Machine and Repair Shop.
 - b. Without shop . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (192) RESTAURANTS. See Cafes, Cafeterias, and Restaurants.
- (193) Reserved.

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- (194) SANITARIUMS. See Hospitals.
- (195) SCHOOLS:
 - a. Beauty college . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - b. Business . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
 - c. Colleges & universities . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
 - d. Dance (Requires annual registration with Dept. of

- Agriculture section 501.143, F.S.) . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- e. Martial arts . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- f. Music (For recording, see Music Studio) . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- g. Private . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- h. Any other school facility not specified above . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (196) SCISSORS SHARPENERS. See Knife and Scissors Sharpener.
- (197) SECONDHAND GOODS. See Merchants. (Article VI, section 9-151 et seq.)
- (198) SECRETARIAL SERVICES . . . ~~34.65~~ 36.38
- (199) SECURITY SYSTEMS or SERVICE
- a. Sales and service of systems . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- b. Security guard service . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
- (200) SEPTIC TANK CLEANING, contractor . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- Equipment to comply with board of health requirements; be approved by city manager. Disposal shall be approved by city manager.
- SERVICE STATIONS. See Filling Stations.
- (201) SEWING, DRESSMAKING, ALTERATIONS and MENDING . . . ~~11.55~~ 12.16
- (202) SHOE REPAIR SHOP. See Machine and Repair Shop.
- (203) SHOWS:
- Events at Civic Center, Amphitheater, Auditoriums, etc. . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
- (204) SIGN PAINTERS. See Contractors.
- (205) SKATING RINK . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- Prohibited in first fire district, as provided in section 5-93.
- (206) SOLICITORS. See Peddlers, Solicitors, and Vendors.
- (207) STEVEDORING COMPANY, agency. See Agents or Agencies.
- (208) STORAGE:
- Warehouses, alone or with other business . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (209) STUDIO. See Artists, Schools, Music Studio.
- (210) SUBCONTRACTORS. See Contractors.
- (211) SURETY COMPANIES. See Insurance.
- (212) SURGEONS. See Physicians.
- (213) SURVEYORS, each . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (214) SWIMMING POOLS, operated for profit, receipt fee to be set by commission. For construction provisions see section 5-281 et seq.

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- (215) TAILOR. See Manufacturers.
- (216) TAKE OUT SERVICE. See Delicatessen.
- TANNING SALON (See Beauty Shop)
- (217) TATTOOING . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- Prohibited except in connection with medical or dental practice. F. S. § 877.04
- (218) TAX CONSULTANTS, each . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- a. Income tax services . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (219) TAXICABS and AUTOMOBILES FOR HIRE:
- a. Cars carrying not exceeding ten passengers . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- b. Cars carrying over ten passengers . . . ~~69.30~~ 72.77
- For regulations relating to operators and drives, see Article VIII of this chapter.
- (220) TAXIDERMIST . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (If stock carried in excess of \$500.00, merchant's receipt required extra)

- (221) TELECOMMUNICATIONS (Includes Cellular Phone & Beeper Relay) . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (222) TELEPHONE ANSWERING SERVICE . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
TELEPHONE SOLICITATIONS. See section 9-76 et seq. See Peddler.
- (223) TELEMARKETING BUSINESS (Dept. of Agriculture Certificate) . . . ~~202.13~~ 212.24
- (224) TELEPHONE SYSTEMS . . . ~~288.75~~ 303.19
(Must comply with plans of city for underground distribution.) (See F. S. § 205.043(1)(b))
- (225) TELEVISION ANTENNA and SATELLITE DISHES, sale and installation, or installation only . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
- (226) THEATERS or MOVING PICTURES:
 - a. Indoor theater:
 - 1. Minimum . . . ~~108.29~~ 113.70
Per seat . . . ~~0.22~~ 0.23
 - b. Drive-ins:
 - 1. Minimum . . . ~~108.29~~ 113.70
Per space . . . ~~0.22~~ 0.23
See F. S. § 205.043.
- (227) Reserved.
- (228) TINSMITH and SHEET IRON WORKER . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (229) TRAILER or AUTO CAMPS (no cabins):
 - a. Minimum . . . ~~108.29~~ 113.70
 - b. Per trailer space . . . ~~0.15~~ 0.16
- (230) TRAVEL AGENCIES . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Dept. of Agriculture Certificate of Registration is required in accordance with F.S. § 559.927)
- (231) TREE TRIMMING . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (232) TRUCKS and VEHICLES:
 - a. Doing business either wholesale or retail by the delivery of rented, processed or serviced goods, wares and merchandise (including linen, towels, or laundry supply business) except as specifically licensed:
 - 1. One vehicle . . . ~~72.19~~ 75.80
Each additional vehicle . . . ~~36.10~~ 37.91
 - b. Concrete mixer truck, each truck . . . ~~57.75~~ 60.64
- (233) TURKISH BATHS. See Massage.
- (234) TYPEWRITER REPAIRS. See Machine and Repair Shops.

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- (235) U-DRIVE-IT-CARS, TRUCKS, and RECREATIONAL VEHICLES. See Rental Cars, Trucks, and Recreational Vehicles.
- (236) UNCLASSIFIED: Any person engaged in any lawful business, profession or occupation within the corporate limits of the city, not mentioned or covered by this Code or other ordinance shall pay the annual business tax of . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
Except as to temporary occupations or businesses the receipt may be fixed by the city clerk for a period of time not exceeding thirty (30) days.
- (237) UPHOLSTERERS. See Machine and Repair Shops.
- (238) UTILITY COMPANIES. See Electric Light or Power Companies; Telephone Systems.

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- (239) VEGETABLES and FRUITS. See Peddler; section 9-111.
- (240) VEHICLES FOR HIRE. See Taxicabs; Rental Cars, Trucks, and Recreational Vehicles.
- (241) VENDING MACHINES. See Coin-Operated Machines.
- (242) VENDORS. See Peddlers, Solicitors, and Vendors.
- (243) VETERINARIAN, each . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
(Must first secure and submit state license)
- (244) VIDEO RENTALS. See Motion Picture and Video Library.

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- (245) WAREHOUSE. See Storage.
- (246) WATER COMPANY. Selling bottled water:
 - a. One truck . . . ~~72.19~~ 75.80
 - b. Each additional truck . . . ~~36.10~~ 37.91
- (247) WEAPONS. See Firearms.
- (248) WELDER:
 - a. Not in connection with garage or machine shop . . .
. ~~34.65~~ 36.38
 - b. See Contractor if [it] involves building construction.
- (249) WELL DRILLERS . . . ~~115.50~~ 121.28
- (250) WINDOW TINTING BUSINESS . . . ~~80.85~~ 84.89
WRECKER SERVICE. See Motor Vehicles.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2012.

STATE OF FLORIDA)
ST. LUCIE COUNTY)^{ss}

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, Mayor Commissioner and the City Clerk of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, do hereby certify that the foregoing and above Ordinance No. L-256 was duly advertised by title only in the St. Lucie News Tribune on April 20, 2012; copy of said ordinance was made available at the office of the City Clerk to the public upon request; said ordinance was duly introduced, read by title only, and passed on first reading by the City Commission of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, on May 7, 2012; and was duly introduced, read by title only, and passed on second and final reading on May 21, 2012, by the City Commission of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida.

IN WITNESS HERewith, we hereunto set our hands and affix the

Official Seal of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, this the 21st day of May, 2012.

MAYOR COMMISSIONER

CITY CLERK

(CITY SEAL)