

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF OAKLAND  
CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

ORDINANCE NO. 22-930

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 22, BUSINESSES, ARTICLE VI. HOTELS, OF THE CITY OF AUBURN HILLS CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED, TO AMEND SECTION 22-174 - LICENSE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THAT LICENSES ARE TO BE ISSUED FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS, AND SECTION 22-180 - HOTELS RULES AND REGULATIONS TO PROVIDE THAT NO GUEST SHALL RENT A UNIT AT A HOTEL OR MOTEL FOR MORE THAN 30 CONSECUTIVE DAYS, EXCEPT FOR CERTAIN SUITE FACILITIES.**

**THE CITY OF AUBURN HILLS ORDAINS:**

**SECTION 1**

Section 22-174 License Required and Section 22-180 Hotel Rules and Regulations, of Article VI. Hotels, of Chapter 22 Businesses of the Auburn Hills City Code as amended and hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 22-174. License required.**

No person or other business entity of any sort shall operate a hotel within the City of Auburn Hills without first having obtained a license for that purpose, which license shall be issued by the city clerk pursuant to the requirements of this article. A license shall be issued for the period of two years and shall expire on December 31 of the second year following the date of issuance, unless sooner suspended or revoked and said license must be renewed ~~annually~~ by the person or business entity operating the hotel. The city may impose reasonable conditions upon the issuance of any license, including but not limited to those conditions referenced within this article or any other applicable ordinance of the City of Auburn Hills. Those hotels operating in the City of Auburn Hills as of the effective date of this article shall have 180 days from the effective date of this article to apply for and obtain a hotel license from the city.

**Sec. 22-180. Hotel rules and regulations.**

The following rules, regulations and conditions shall be observed and complied with by each hotel in the city:

- (1) Hotels shall not have the condition for cause as set forth in Subsections (1)—(7) of section 22-176 herein, existing at the hotels.
- (2) All accommodations must afford easy and unobstructed access to a hall or passageway or to the outdoors.
- (3) Rooms must be kept clean and free from dirt, vermin, garbage and rubbish.
- (4) Clean sheets, pillow cases and towels must be provided before a transient guest may occupy a bed previously occupied by another person.
- (5) The cooking of food in or upon a hotel room or hallways is prohibited, other than in a kitchenette facility in compliance with applicable codes and regulations, and approved by the proper authorities designated in those codes and regulations. The use of hotplates or similar equipment which can be utilized to heat or cook food is specifically prohibited in hotel rooms or hallways. A notice to this effect shall be conspicuously posted in each accommodation.
- (6) A register shall be provided and maintained on the hotel premises in the hotel office and shall be submitted, upon demand, to any city official or police officer of the City of Auburn Hills. The register shall contain the following information subscribed in ink:

- a. The correct name and address of every guest, renting or occupying a room, including but not limited to nonpaying minors and/or dependents. The guest shall furnish proof of identity by showing a valid driver's license or voter registration card or similar identification, and provide a date of birth.
  - b. Each guest with a motor vehicle on the site shall provide the make, year and model of the motor vehicle, as well as the license plate number.
  - c. The date and time of arrival and date of departure of every guest, and the number of days each guest has been at the establishment during the calendar year.
  - d. Where two persons occupy the same room and at least one of the persons is a minor, the relationship of said person shall be noted on the register.
- (7) No hotel shall knowingly permit any accommodations and/or other location on the hotel premises including the hotel parking lot, to be used for any unlawful purpose.
  - (8) All hotels shall permit free access by the police department, fire department, community development department or their representatives at all reasonable times.
  - (9) No hotel and/or its agents, servants or employees shall permit any minor under the age of 18 years of age to obtain accommodations in the hotel and no hotel and/or its agents, servants or employees shall allow any person under the age of 21 years old to consume and/or possess alcoholic beverages on the hotel premises, including its parking lot. No hotel and/or its agents, servants, or employees shall permit any person to possess and/or consume any controlled substances and/or possess any illegal firearms on the hotel premises, including its parking lot. No hotel shall allow any illegal gambling activities and/or prostitution to occur on the hotel premises, including in its parking lot.
  - (10) Accommodations shall not be made available for a period in hourly increments, nor shall any accommodation be made available more than one time during the eighteen-hour period of 12:00 noon on the following morning at 6:00 a.m. The right to occupy any accommodation shall not be assigned or transferred.
  - (11) Occupancy of a room shall be limited to the number of beds in the room, but in no event shall occupancy exceed more than two persons for every one bed.
  - (12) All hotels, including their exteriors, premises and parking lots, shall be properly maintained and kept in good repair at all times and all swimming pools shall be clean and functioning, all doors and locks operational, all carpet unripped and clean and all rooms free from bed bugs.
  - (13) Within 120 days from the effective date of this article, all hotels in the city shall at their own cost, install at their respective hotels, a camera system, with video recording capabilities, which camera system shall clearly show the main hallways, lobbies and parking areas of the hotel and the hotel clerks at and/or near the hotel's front desk shall monitor and view the images and video shown by the camera system on a 24-hour, seven-day a week basis.
  - (14) All hotels shall conduct their operations in a manner that does not disturb the peace and/or result in disorderly conduct and hotels shall not permit in their hotel accommodation rooms, hallways and/or parking lots, any loud and/or disorderly parties, blind pigs, lingerie parties, pole dance parties or other similar events.
  - (15) All hotels, shall at their own cost, provide to their respective employees and staff basic first aid training and also basic training to enable said hotel employees and staff to be able to detect signs of alcohol and/or drug intoxication.
  - (16) These rules and regulations shall be conspicuously displayed in each hotel at each registration area.
  - (17) No guest shall rent a unit at a motel or hotel for more than thirty (30) consecutive days within any calendar year, except that suite facilities with units over three hundred (300) square feet in area containing kitchen or kitchenette facilities including at least refrigerator and stove facilities may be permitted for up to ninety (90) days, however if exigent circumstances are demonstrated in writing to the City, the City Manager or their designee may grant extensions of time for rentals of such units.

Auburn Hills Police Officers and Auburn Hills Code Enforcement Officers shall have the authority to issue criminal citations to the hotel owner, hotel manager and/or hotel employees for the violation of any of the rules and regulations and other requirements set forth in this section and/or article and the city, in its sole discretion, is also authorized to file a civil action in the appropriate court for violations of the rules and regulations set forth in this section and/or article and the city may also pursue any other remedies authorized by law.

**SECTION 2. Repealer.**

All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, in conflict with this ordinance are repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

**SECTION 3. Severability.**

If any section, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared to be unconstitutional, void, illegal or ineffective by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such section, clause or provision declared to be unconstitutional, void or illegal shall thereby cease to be a part of this Ordinance, but the remainder of this Ordinance shall stand and be in full force and effect.

**SECTION 4. Savings.**

All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this Ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law when they were commenced.

**SECTION 5. Effective Date.**

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby ordered to take effect upon publication in the manner prescribed by the Charter of the City of Auburn Hills.

**SECTION 6. Adoption.**

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the City Council of the City of Auburn Hills at a meeting thereof duly called and held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022, and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by the Charter of the City of Auburn Hills.

AYES: 7  
NAYS: None  
ABSENTS: None  
ABSTENTIONS: None

STATE OF MICHIGAN     )  
COUNTY OF OAKLAND    )

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Mayor and City Clerk for the City of Auburn Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of Ordinance No. 22-930 adopted by the Auburn Hills City Council at a regular meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022, the original of which is in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREFORE, I hereby affix my signature on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Kevin R. McDaniel, Mayor

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Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk