

**ORDINANCE NO. 019636**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 5 (BUSINESS LICENSE AND PERMIT REGULATIONS), CHAPTER 5.03 (AMPLIFIED SOUND PERMIT), SECTION 5.03.010 (COMPLIANCE REQUIRED) TO REMOVE THE DOWNTOWN MANAGEMENT DISTRICT EXEMPTION AND SECTION 5.03.020 (DEFINITIONS) TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE; THE PENALTY AS PROVIDED IN 5.03.130 OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.**

**WHEREAS**, City Code Title 5 (Business License and Permit Regulations) contains various sections regarding permits for various topics;

**WHEREAS**, on February 26, 2019, City Council enacted Ordinance 018907 establishing a Sound Amplification Permit;

**WHEREAS**, on April 23, 2024, City Council directed proposed amendments to Chapter 5.03 of the City Code to remove the Downtown Management District exemption from Chapter 5.03 of the City Code; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council now desires to amend Title 5 of the City Code in order to improve the Sound Amplification Permit function and process.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:**

**SECTION 1.** That Title 5 (Business License and Permit Regulations), Chapter 5.03 (Amplified Sound Permit), Section 5.03.010 (Compliance required), is hereby amended to read as follows:

**5.03.010 Compliance required.**

- A. An establishment regulated by this chapter must be in possession of a permit allowed by this chapter when emitting sound at any outdoor area at the premises covered by said permit.
- B. All persons subject to regulation by this Chapter 5.03 shall also comply with all applicable state law including Texas Penal Code Chapter 42.01.

**SECTION 2.** That Title 5 (Business License and Permit Regulations), Chapter 5.03 (Amplified Sound Permit), Section 5.03.020 (Definitions), subsection H, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**5.03.020 Definitions.**

The following words shall have the following meanings:

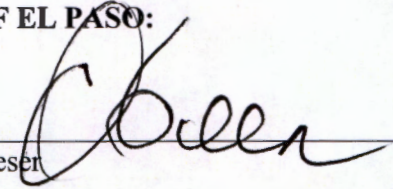
- H. "Residential property" means a parcel of real property which is developed and used in part or in whole for human habitation, including transient uses such as hotels and motels.

**SECTION 3.** Except as herein amended, Title 5 of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.


ADOPTED this 21 day of May, 2024.

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