

Chapter 8.03

Licensing Of Public Dances

Section 1. Definitions. The term “public dance” shall be taken to apply to any place in which dancing may be or is carried on, other than a private residence. The term “public dance” shall be taken to apply to every dance held in a public place, open to the public, whether an admission fee is charged or not.

Section 2. License Required and Fee. No person shall conduct a public dance in Howard Lake unless a license and permit for said public dance shall have been obtained from the City Clerk. The permit fee shall be in such amount as determined by City Council resolution. The Council may grant a permit without charge where it is satisfied that the giving of the dance is not a money making enterprise and or does not involve the use of City services and resources.

Section 3. Application for License. Any person desiring a permit to hold or conduct a public dance in the City shall make application therefore on forms furnished by the City Clerk. The application shall set forth the name and address of the person, persons, committee or organization which is to conduct the dance; time and place where such dance is to be held. The application shall also show affirmatively that each of the applicants is a person of good moral character and reputation in the community in which he lives.

Section 4. License Shall Be Displayed. The City Clerk shall refer such application to the City Council, which in its discretion may grant or refuse the permit applied for. An issued permit shall be posted in a public place in the dance area described in the permit application during the time the dance is being given. The persons named in the permit shall be responsible under the law for the manner in which such dance is to be held and conducted.

Section 5. Penalty. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.