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## GENERAL BYLAW APPROVAL

On the date above, in accordance with the requirements of G.L. c.40 sec32, I posted copies of the General Bylaw amendments referenced below, approved by the Attorney General's Municipal Law Unit office on November 17, 2025, in the following places in the Town.

Town Hall School Community/Senior Center Compacter Bulletin Board Town Website

Bylaw Amendments: June 20, 2025 ATM Article 22 General Bylaw Amendment

A TRUE COPY, ATTEST:

Lisa H. Brown Town Clerk

Constable Signature and Date of Posting

### Section 4 Local Licensing and Permits

#### Section 4.1 Definitions

#### Tax Collector

The tax collector of the Town of Florida elected pursuant to Section One Chapter forty-one of the Massachusetts General Law.

#### Licensing Authority

Each Board, Commission, department, division or official of the Town of Florida that issues licenses or permits including renewals and transfers.

### Section 4.2 Notification of Licensing Authority by Tax Collector

The Tax Collector shall annually, and may periodlically, furnish to each Licensing Authority\_a list of any person, corporation, or business enterprise, hereinafter referred to as the party, that had neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other Municipal charges, and that such party has not filed in good faith a pending application for an abatement of\_such tax or a\_pending petion before the appellate tax board.

### Section 4.3 Action by Licensing Authoriy

The Licensing Authority may deny, revoke or suspend any building permit or local license or permit, including renewals and transfers of any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the Licensing Authority from tax collector, providing however, that written notice is given to the party and tax collector, as required by applicable provisions of the law, and the party is given a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen days after said notice, Said list shall be a prima facie evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any party. The Tax Collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any findings made by the Licensing Authority-with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension shall be made only for the purpose of such proceeding and shall not be revelant to or introduced in any other proceeding at law, except for any appeal for such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any license or permit denied, suspended or revoked uner this section shall not be reissued or renewed until the Licensing Authoriy receives a certificate issued by the Tax Collector that the party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments, or other municipal charges, payable to the municipality as the date of issuance of said certificate.

## Section 4.4 Payment Agreement

Any party sall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement, thereby allowing the Licensing Authority to issue a certificate indicating said limitation to the license or permit and the validity of said license shall be conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with said agreement. Failure to comply with said agreement shall be grounds for suspension or revocation of said license or permits; provided, however, that the holder be given a notice and a hearing as required by applicable provisions of laws.

## Section 4.5 Power of Selectboard to Waive Action

The Selectboard may waive such denial, suspension, or revocation if it finds there is no direct or indirect business interest by the property owner, its officers or stockholders, if any, or members of his immediate family, as defined in section one of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight A\_of Massahusetts General Laws\_in the business or activity conducted in or on said property.

# Section 4.6 Bylaw not Applicable to Certain Licenses and Permits

The bylaw shall not apply to the following licenses and permits: open burning, section thirteen of chapter forty-eight; bicycle permits, section eleven A of Chapter eighty-five; sales of articles for charitable purposes, section thirty-three of chapter one hundred and one; children work permits, section sixty-nine of chapter one hundred and forty-nine; clubs, associations dispensing food for beverage licenses, section twenty-one E of chapter one hundred and forty, dog licensing; section one hundred and thirty-seven of chapter one hundred and forty; fishing, hunting, trapping License, section twelve of chapter one hundred and thirty-one; marriage

events, public exhibition permits, section one hundred and eighty-one of chapter one hundred and forty of Massachusetts General Laws.

(June 29, 1990) (Amended June 21, 2013) Amended November 17, 2025)