INTRODUCED BY: Councilman

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSES, PERMITS, BID AWARDS AND OTHER MATTERS BY JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI AND ITS OFFICERS AND OFFICES UPON PROOF OF PAYMENT OF CURRENT AND DELINQUENT REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES.

WHEREAS, Jefferson County, Missouri, (hereafter, the “County”) is responsible for the health, safety and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of protecting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens, Jefferson County, pursuant to state law, charter, local ordinance, order and code is authorized to issue various licenses, permits, bid awards and other matters; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article III, Section 3.4.2.4, the Jefferson County, Missouri, Council is required to provide for the collection of all taxes authorized by law and is authorized to facilitate a method for the collection of taxes; and

WHEREAS, for the purpose of facilitating the collection of current and delinquent real and personal property taxes the County finds it necessary to enact regulations regarding proof of payment of taxes prior to being issued certain licenses, permits, bid awards and other matters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI, COUNCIL, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. No Jefferson County department, agency, officer, official or employee shall issue a permit or license including but not limited to liquor licenses, merchant’s licenses, business licenses, trade licenses issued pursuant to the Jefferson County Building Code or any
other license or permit authorized by law to be issued by Jefferson County unless the applicant for said license or permit provides proof that neither the applicant nor the property owner, where applicable, owes delinquent real or personal property taxes to Jefferson County. The applicant for said license or permit and the property owner, where applicable, may be required to provide proof in the form of an original paid tax receipt issued by the Jefferson County Collector or a statement obtained from the Jefferson County Assessor that the applicant does not own any real or personal property in Jefferson County.

Section 2. No person shall be eligible for appointment to any County Board or Commission until they provide proof that the applicant does not owe delinquent real or personal property taxes to Jefferson County. The applicant for said County Board or Commission may be required to provide proof in the form of an original paid tax receipt issued by the Jefferson County Collector or a statement obtained from the Jefferson County Assessor that the applicant does not own any real or personal property in Jefferson County.

Section 3. No applications for rezoning or other development related activities shall be accepted until the applicant provides proof that neither the applicant nor the property owner, where applicable, owes delinquent real or personal property taxes to Jefferson County. The applicant and the property owner, where applicable, may be required to provide proof in the form of an original paid tax receipt issued by the Jefferson County Collector or a statement obtained from the Jefferson County Assessor that the applicant does not own any real or personal property in Jefferson County.
Section 4. No bid or proposal shall be awarded by Jefferson County unless the prospective bidder provides proof that the bidder does not owe delinquent real or personal property taxes to Jefferson County. The prospective bidder may be required to provide proof in the form of an original paid tax receipt issued by the Jefferson County Collector or a statement obtained from the Jefferson County Assessor that the applicant does not own any real or personal property in Jefferson County. This Section shall not apply to the award of bids for projects which are funded in whole or in part by federal funds.

Section 5. Any license, permit or other matter issued by a Jefferson County department, agency, officer, official or employee in violation of this Ordinance shall be deemed void ab initio.

Section 6. The requirements of this Ordinance shall not apply to redemption of animals, adoption of animals or the licensing of animals by the Jefferson County Animal Control Division. Nor shall the requirements of this Ordinance apply to permits required and issued pursuant to the Jefferson County Building Code for single-family residential construction, renovation or rehabilitation; deeds exempted by the Planning Division; or driveway and utility permits issued by the Department of Public Works.

Section 7. The terms “applicant”, “property owner” and “bidder”, as used in this Ordinance, shall mean the applicant, property owner, bidder and/or any business, trade name or fictitious name with which the applicant, property owner or bidder is affiliated or under which the applicant, property owner or bidder conducts business.
Section 8: A copy of this Ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County and posted in a public place in each Council District and on the County web page, as required by Article III, Section 3.5.4., of the Home Rule Charter of Jefferson County, Missouri.

Section 9: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after it has been posted and published as required by Section 9 above. If any part of this Ordinance is invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance.

THIS ORDINATION BEING DULLY INTRODUCED, THE MEMBERS OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI, COUNCIL VOTED AS FOLLOWS:

Councilman Chuck Banks  YES
Councilman Edward L. Kemp  YES
Councilman Patrick J. Lamping  YES

THIS ORDINATION IS PASSED THIS 22nd DAY OF December, 2010.

County Council Chair
Patrick J. Lamping

ATTEST:
Wes Wagner
Wes Wagner, County Clerk

BY: Carrie Kemper

APPROVED THIS 23rd DAY OF December, 2010.
Chuck Banks, Jefferson County, Missouri, Executive

Edward L. Kemp, Jefferson County, Missouri, Executive

Patrick J. Lamping, Jefferson County, Missouri, Executive

ATTEST:

Wes Wagner, County Clerk

BY: [Signature]

First Reading: 12-06-2010
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Third Reading: 12-22-2010