

ORDINANCE NO. 2046

INTRODUCED BY: AMADOR, BENSON, BULLOCK, CARSON, DOUGLAS, ELLIOTT,
MCELDOWNEY, TETER

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMMERCE CITY REVISED MUNICIPAL
CODE REGARDING THE COMMERCE CITY LIQUOR AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, the Commerce City Revised Municipal Code provides that a citizen board shall act as the City of Commerce City's Liquor Authority;

WHEREAS, during the last several years it has become increasingly difficult to find citizens interested in serving as members of the Liquor Authority; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that the complexity of state and local laws related to liquor licensing may discourage citizen participation and may be better suited to a hearing officer who is a trained attorney; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to amend the Commerce City Revised Municipal Code to replace the citizen board with a hearing officer.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That Section 2-3003 of the Commerce City Revised Municipal Code, entitled Liquor Authority, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. That Division 2 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of the Commerce City Revised Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

DIVISION 2. ADMINISTRATION.

Sec. 8-1200. Liquor Authority.

The liquor authority is hereby established to act as the local licensing authority for the city. The liquor authority shall be comprised of a hearing officer appointed by, and who shall serve at the pleasure of, city council. The liquor authority shall have all the powers and authority granted to the local licensing authority by the state liquor laws and this code.

Sec. 8-1201. Liquor Authority Secretary.

Sec. 8-1202. Applications Filed with the City Clerk.

Sec. 8-1203. Initial Liquor License.

Sec. 8-1204. Optional Premises License.

Sec. 8-1205. Liquor Tasting Permit.

Sec. 8-1206. Administrative Applications.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance shall take effect March 2, 2015.

INTRODUCED, PASSED ON FIRST READING AND PUBLIC NOTICE
ORDERED THIS 2ND DAY OF FEBRUARAY, 2015.

PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING AND PUBLIC NOTICE ORDERED
THIS 2ND DAY OF MARCH, 2015.

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO

Sean Ford, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura J. Bauer, CMC, City Clerk