

ORDINANCE NO. 647

**AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 129 OF THE CITY CODE OF WEST BURLINGTON
RELATING TO LICENSING OF PAWNBROKERS**

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of West Burlington desires to improve the financial security of the community and ensure the lawful conduct of pawnbrokers and the citizens who transact business with pawnbrokers,

BE IT ENACTED BY the City Council of the City of West Burlington, Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section 128.03 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Burlington, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

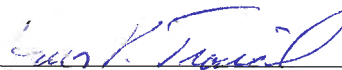
128.03 APPLICATION FOR LICENSE. The application for a pawnbroker's license shall be to the Clerk and shall state thereon the name of the applicant, the place of business and the number of employees intended to be engaged. The Zoning Administrator shall also review and approve the application. The Police Department shall investigate each applicant for such license, and no license shall be issued to a person who has been convicted of the offense of receiving stolen goods, burglary or robbery, or to a person who has been convicted of a financial crime more serious than a simple misdemeanor, or to a person who has been convicted of any felony. However, the prohibition against felons obtaining a license shall not apply to a felon whose citizenship rights, including the right to possess firearms, have been fully restored by the Governor.

SECTION 2. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. SAVING CLAUSE. If any section, provision or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole, or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be in effect after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by Council the 4 day of February, 2015.



Hans K. Trousil, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kelly D. Fry, City Clerk

1st Reading approved: 01/21/2015
2nd Reading approved: 02/04/2015
Final Reading approved: Waived Final Reading 2/4/2015