CITY of ALBUQUERQUE TWENTY FOURTH COUNCIL

COUNCII	L BILL NOC/S O-20-28 ENACTMENT NO
SPONSO	RED BY: Diane Gibson
1	ORDINANCE
2	REPEALING THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE CODE OF ORDINANCES
3	SECTIONS 13-6-1 THROUGH 13-6-99, THE "PAWNBROKER ORDINANCE,"
4	AND REPLACING IT WITH A NEW ORDINANCE AMENDING EXISTING
5	REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO PAWNBROKERS AND EXTENDING
6	REGULATIONS TO PRECIOUS MATERIAL DEALERS AND SECONDHAND
7	RETAILERS
8	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY
9	OF ALBUQUERQUE:
10	SECTION 1. Chapter 13, Article 6, Sections 1 through 99 of the Revised
11	Ordinances of Albuquerque, the "Pawnbroker Ordinance" is hereby repealed.
. 5 12 ≥ :∃	SECTION 2. A new article is hereby enacted in place of the prior
112 13 - Deletion 14 - 14	Pawnbroker Ordinance as follows:
14	"§ 13-6-1 SHORT TITLE.
15	This article may be cited as the Pawnbroker, Precious Material Dealer, and
16	Secondhand Retailer Ordinance.
10 1 17	<u>§ 13-6-2 PURPOSE.</u>
Diacketed Onderscoled Material 14 15 16 17 18 19 21 22 22 22 23 23 23 23	The purposes of this article include to:
[計19	(1) Ensure a sound system of making loans against, or acquiring through
20	purchase, tangible personal property by and through pawnshops, precious
전 및 21	material dealers, and secondhand retailers; and to prevent frauds, ensure fair
<u></u>	record keeping and reporting practices;
23	(2) Provide for permitting and reporting requirements for pawnbrokers.
24	precious metal dealers, and secondhand retailers;

	1	(3) Promote financial responsibility to the city and its residents and			
	2	compliance with city law; and			
	3	(4) Promote the health, safety, and welfare of the City by implementing			
	4	minimum accountability standards for pawnbroker, precious materials, and			
	5	secondhand retailer businesses; help level the regulatory playing field for			
	6	these related industries; and help limit vulnerability of these businesses to			
	7	becoming unwitting participants in the cycle of property crime.			
	8	§ 13-6-3 DEFINITIONS.			
	9	CONSUMER ELECTRONICS. All handheld electronic devices such as			
	10	mobile phones, tablets, and mp3 players, and radios, stereos, wireless			
ı	11	speakers, sound systems, televisions, electronic display screens, personal			
	12	computers, gaming devices, digital cameras and recorders, video playback			
	13	devices, and all similar or related consumer electronics.			
	14	COVERED SECONDHAND GOOD: Any article of the following types of			
ı	15	tangible personal property that were previously owned by an original end			
	16	user or otherwise not purchased or sold as new:			
	17	a. consumer electronics,			
	18	b. firearms,			
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Bracketed/Underscored Material] - New	19 <u>- Deletion</u> 20 <u>- 21</u>	d. musical instruments and equipment,			
<u>al</u>] -	<u></u>	e. precious metals,			
ateri	22 23	f. precious stones,			
M b	₹23	g. sporting goods, or			
core	1 24	h. tools, including power tools.			
ders	₹ 25	COVERED TRANSACTION: Any transaction for any pledged good, and			
d/Ur	0 25 26 27 28 29 29 29 29	any purchase, trade or acquisition for value (as opposed to by donation or			
kete	27	consignment) of any covered secondhand good by a pawnbroker, precious			
Brac	2 28	material dealer, or secondhand retailer from a member of the general public at			
	₫29	the pawnbroker's, precious material dealer's, or secondhand retailer's place			
	30	of business.			

1	JEWELRY: personal ornaments, such as necklaces, rings, bracelets,
2	broaches, pendants and similar items that are made from or contain precious
3	metal, precious stones, or both.
4	PAWNBROKER: Every person permitted by the city of Albuquerque to
5	engage, in whole or in part, in the business of loaning money on the security
6	of pledged goods.
7	PERSON: For purposes of this ordinance, a "person" is an individual,
8	partnership, corporation, joint venture, trust, association, or any other legal
9	entity however organized.
10	PLEDGED GOODS: Tangible personal property other than securities
11	or printed evidences of indebtedness, which property is deposited with or
12	otherwise actually delivered into the possession of a pawnbroker as security
13	for a loan of money, or with the express or implied agreement to sell it back at
14	a stipulated price.
15	PERMITTED VENDOR: A vendor holding a valid business registration
16	who furnishes or supplies covered secondhand goods to a pawnbroker,
17	precious material dealer, or secondhand retailer and who does not maintain a
18	physical commercial premise in the City for the purposes of acquiring
등 19	covered secondhand goods from the general public.
<u>ਹ</u> 20	PRECIOUS MATERIAL DEALER: Any person who is engaged in the
<u></u> 21	business of purchasing articles of jewelry, precious metals, or precious
22	stones, or rare or valuable coins primarily from the general public at their
23	place of business for purposes of resale or smelting, melting, or otherwise
24	processing, combining or altering these materials for any purpose.
25	PRECIOUS METALS: gold, silver, or platinum, palladium, iridium,
26	rhodium, osmium, ruthenium or an alloy of these metals.
27	PRECIOUS STONES: Diamonds, rubies, sapphires, emeralds, garnets,
2 28	pearls, turquoise and other pieces of mineral or rock of value for purposes of
<u>∓</u> 29	their use in jewelry.
30	PROPERTY UNIT ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL: Any sworn officer within
31	the Pawn Unit or Property Crimes Division of the Albuquerque Police

1	Department, or any person specifically assigned to the enforcement or
2	administration of this ordinance.
3	SECONDHAND RETAILER: For purposes this ordinance, a
4	'secondhand retailer' is any person engaging in purchasing, trading or
5	otherwise acquiring for value (as opposed to by donation or consignment)
6	any covered secondhand goods from the general public at their place of
7	business, for purposes of reselling, trading, or otherwise retailing the good.
8	SPORTING GOODS: bicycles, golf clubs, tennis rackets, archery
9	bows, binoculars, skis, snow boards, and camping equipment.
10	STORE PREMISES: The total area occupied by a pawnbroker,
11	precious material dealer, or secondhand retailer at the address on the city-
12	issued registration or permit.
13	§ 13-6-4 PERMITS REQUIRED; PERMIT FEE; PENALTY.
14	(A) No person shall act as a pawnbroker, precious material dealer, or
15	secondhand retailer, or advertise, transact, or solicit business as a
16	pawnbroker, precious material dealer or secondhand retailer, without first
17	having obtained a permit from the City of Albuquerque. A person shall obtain
18	a separate permit for each place of business at which the person acts or
19	transacts business. However, any business engaging in two or more of the
20	regulated business activities need apply for, and the City may issue, only a
21	single permit identifying which activities the business plans to engage in (i.e.
22	pawnbroker and/or precious material dealer and/or secondhand retailer).
23	(B) The permit shall be conspicuously displayed in the pawnbroker's,
24	precious material dealer's, or secondhand retailer's place of business. The
25	permit will expire on July 1 of each year and must be renewed by that date.
26	(C) Every pawnbroker, precious material dealer, and secondhand
27	retailer shall pay an annual permit fee of \$250 at the time of issuance of the
28	initial permit and at the time of each annual renewal to help cover the expense
29	of administration of this ordinance. The City shall adjust this fee annually to
30	correspond with increases in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban
31	Consumers (CPLII) Any hysiness applying for a permit to engage in two or

more regulated activities (i.e. pawnbroker and/or precious material dealer

and/or secondhand retailer) need only pay a single permit fee.

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precious material dealer's, or secondhand retailer's permit shall be submitted

1	in writing to the Mayor and be accompanied by the permit fee and the name,
2	address, date of birth and social security number of the applicant and each
3	agent, servant and employee of the applicantChanges in such list must be
4	indicated on each annual renewal application. Every pawnbroker shall
5	furnish with each application for an initial or renewal permit proof of
6	execution and delivery of the bond to the City Clerk's Office as required in §
7	<u>13-6-6.</u>
8	(B) To be eligible for a pawnbroker's, precious material dealer's, or
9	secondhand retailer's permit, at the time of each application or renewal, an
10	applicant must conduct business within the requirements and spirit of this
11	ordinance and all other applicable laws, and never have had a pawnbroker's,
12	precious material dealers, or secondhand retailer's permit revoked by the City
13	or any other jurisdiction;
14	(C) The City shall perform a criminal background check on each
15	applicant for a pawnbroker's, precious material dealer's or second hand
16	retailer's permit. In deciding whether to issue a permit the City may deny a
17	permit to an applicant based on criminal history only as regulated and
18	authorized by New Mexico Criminal Offender Employment Act., NMSA 1978 §
19	28-2-1 et. seq. However, no person who has been convicted of a felony shall
20	be eligible for a pawnbroker's permit pursuant to NMSA 1978 § 56-12-4.
21	§ 13-6-8 RECORDS AND REPORTS BY PAWNBROKERS; PENALTIES.
22	(A) Records for Covered Transactions. Every pawnbroker, precious
23	material dealer, and secondhand retailer shall keep a record of each covered
24	transaction made in the order in which each occurs. This record shall be
25	made on a digital form or database in a format approved by the Chief of
26	Police, and shall be preserved and made accessible to any property unit
27	enforcement official by 12:00 noon on the business' next business day after
28	the covered transaction occurred, and remain so available during normal
29	business hours for a period of two years. Each entry must also be uploaded
30	or otherwise linked to the Albuquerque Police Department's electronic "leads
31	online" system or any future equivalent administered by the APD by 12:00

1	noon of the business' next business day following the day of the covered
2	transaction. Each entry shall include:
3	(1) A transaction number, and the date, time and type of
4	transaction (pledge or purchase);
5	(2) A brief description of the item; including make, model and
6	serial number (if available) together with a photograph of the item, a single
7	photograph is sufficient for any covered transaction for a collection of like
8	items such as a coin collection;
9	(3) The name, address and the date of birth of the pledger or
10	seller as indicated on a valid government-issued photo identification card, a
11	notation as to the type of identification card, the jurisdiction that issued the
12	same and the identification card number;
13	(4) A clear, discernible, color still image of the pledger or seller
14	that clearly depicts a full face view of the person taken in any form as
15	approved by the Chief of Police including by a still image camera, or from still
16	frame from a video surveillance camera of reasonable quality;
17	(B) The information required under subsections (A)(1), (2),
18	and (3)' above may be collected for each transaction, or may be collected only
<u>=</u> 19	for the initial transaction so long as each subsequent transaction with the
ਹੁ 20	same person is linked or otherwise includes the information already on file.
<u></u>	The information required under subsections '(A)(1), (2) and (4)'
22	above must be collected for each transaction.
23	(C) Records for Transactions with Permitted Vendors. Every
24	pawnbroker, precious material dealer, and secondhand retailer shall keep a
25	record of each transaction for a covered secondhand good with a permitted
26	vendor which record must include an invoice specifying the permitted
27	vendor's name, address, and the date of the sale to the pawnbroker, precious
28	material dealer, or secondhand retailer.
<u>±</u> 29	(1) However, any transactions for covered secondhand goods
30	with a permitted vendor having any owners or employees in common with any
31	pawnbroker, precious material dealer, or secondhand retailer are subject to

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1	the reporting requirements for covered transactions prescribed under
2	subsection 'A' above.
3	(D) Records for Estate Purchases. Every pawnbroker, precious material
4	dealer, and secondhand retailer shall keep a record for any covered
5	secondhand goods acquired through an estate sale to include a sales slip or
6	equivalent with typical with customary information for such a transaction.
7	(E) In addition to any other penalty authorized by this ordinance or
8	other law, any person who knowingly and willfully violates this §13-6-8, or
9	who knowingly and willfully makes a false entry in any record specifically
10	required by this section commits a violation punishable as provided in § 1-1-
11	99. However, Clerical or recordkeeping errors, such as typographical errors
12	or scrivener's errors, regarding any document or record required by this
13	section do not constitute a knowingly and willful violation of this section, and
14	are not subject to criminal penalties. Such errors are, however, subject to the
15	administrative remedies of this ordinance, and upon written notification of the
16	error by a property unit enforcement official, such errors must be corrected
17	by the pawnbroker by the business' next business day.
18	§ 13-6-9 INSPECTION; PROPERTY CRIME DATA SHARING.
19	(A) Inspection. Any property unit enforcement official may inspect any
20	store premises including safes, vaults, and storage spaces therein during
,21	normal business hours and have free access to all covered secondhand
22	goods, and the corresponding transaction records required by this ordinance.
23	The business being inspected may escort the property unit enforcement
24	official throughout the inspection process.
25	(B) Property unit enforcement officials shall develop a system that
26	facilitates coordination and information sharing with pawnbrokers, precious
27	material dealers, and secondhand retailers to provide updates on current
28	known property crime offenders and articles of personal property suspected
29	to have been the subject of theft as frequently as possible.

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§ 13-6-10 NOTICE OF VIOLATION; NOTICE OF HEARING; HEARINGS;

CONTINUANCE; ORDER; PENALTIES.

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(A) Notice of Violation. If a property unit enforcement official
reasonably believes that a pawnbroker, precious material dealer, or
secondhand retailer has violated any one or more provisions of this Article,
such official shall serve written notice upon the same of the alleged violation
(the "notice of violation"). The notice requirement is satisfied if personal
service of same is had upon the pawnbroker, precious material dealer, or
secondhand retailer or is posted in a conspicuous place upon the
pawnbroker, precious material dealer, or secondhand retailer's place of
business.
(1) The notice of violation shall specify the provisions of this
ordinance which have been allegedly violated, and shall set forth with
reasonable clarity the factual basis for each alleged violation, and shall state
that an administrative hearing will be scheduled by the City and that a notice
of the hearing will be mailed to the pawnbroker, precious material dealer, or
secondhand retailer's place of business or address of record with the City by
certified mail in accordance with this ordinance.
(2) The property unit enforcement official shall provide the City
Clerk with a copy of the notice of violation for transmission to the City
Independent Office of Hearings within three business days of the notice of
violation being served.
(B) Hearing and Penalties Relating to a Notice of Violation.
(1) Hearing. Any person in receipt of a notice of violation, and
any other interested person, may appear and produce evidence at any
administrative hearing relating to a notice of violation. The final order of the
City's administrative hearing officer on such matter constitutes the final
administrative adjudication of the matter by the City.
(a) Notice of Hearing. Within three business days of its
receipt of the notice of violation, the City Independent Office of Hearings shall
mail a notice of the hearing to the pawnbroker, precious material dealer or
secondhand retailer and the property unit enforcement official who delivered
the notice of violation, via certified mail. The notice shall specify the location
of the hearing, a date and time for the hearing that is between fifteen and

	1	rightful owners. No new loans or purchases may be done during this time,
	2	only sales and redemption;
	3	(C). Hearing and Penalties relating Permit Issuance or Renewal.
ı	4	(1) After an initial denial of a pawnbroker, precious material
	5	dealer, or secondhand retailer license or renewal by the City, the denied
	6	applicant may request a hearing. After notice and hearing, the City may
	7	decline to issue or renew a pawnbroker, precious material dealer, or
	8	secondhand retailer permit if it is determined that:
	9	(a). The pawnbroker, precious material dealer, or
ı	10	secondhand retailer, either knowingly or without the exercise of due care, has
	11	violated this section or has aided or conspired with another person to violate
	12	this section;
	13	(b). A condition exists that, had it existed when the permit
	14	was originally issued, would have justified the refusal to issue the permit; or
	15	(c). The pawnbroker, precious material dealer, or
	16	secondhand retailer no longer meet the eligibility requirements to hold a
	17	permit; or
	18	(2) Any pawnbroker, precious material dealer, or secondhand
5	19 20 21	retailer may surrender a permit by delivering it, by certified or registered mail,
امامر	20	return receipt requested, to the City Clerk's Office with written notice of its
] =	21	surrender. The surrender of a permit does not affect the civil or criminal
01.10	22 23	liability of the pawnbroker, precious material dealer, or secondhand retailer
Ma	23	for acts committed before the surrender of the permit.
hour	24 25 26 27	(3) The revocation or surrender of a permit does not impair or
othr	25	affect the obligation of any preexisting lawful contract between the
Ziril.	26	pawnbroker and any pledger of pledged goods.
tod/6	27	(D) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the City may
0400	28	terminate an investigation or action upon agreement by the pawnbroker,
Bra	29	precious material dealer, or secondhand retailer to pay a stipulated civil
	30	penalty, to make restitution or pay damages to customers, or to satisfy any
	31	other relief authorized under this subsection and requested by the City.
	32	§ 13-6-11 DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY; PAYMENT FOR PROPERTY.

(A) No pledged goods shall be sold or disposed of, except by

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HOLD ORDERS; ISSUANCE; REQUIRED INFORMATION;

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1	(F) Precious material dealers who do not resell to the general public
2	and who are subject to the anti-money laundering requirements of
3	the USA Patriot Act.]"
4	SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY. If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause,
5	word or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or
6	unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not
7	affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance. The Council
8	hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section,
9	paragraph, sentence, clause, word or phrase thereof irrespective of any
10	provision being declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.
11	SECTION 4. COMPILATION. Sections 1 through 3 of this Ordinance shall
12	amend, be incorporated in and complied as part of the Revised Ordinances of
13	Albuquerque, New Mexico, 1994.
14	SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance takes effect ninety days
15	after publication by title and general summary.

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