

ORDINANCE REGULATING THE ESTABLISHMENT, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF COCKTAIL LOUNGES IN THE CITY OF CEBU; PRESCRIBING FEES THEREFOR; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Enacted by the Municipal Board of the City of Cebu

SEC. 1. Definition. - A cocktail lounge within the meaning of this ordinance shall be held to mean any establishment where food and refreshments are served, where all kinds of liquor may be dispensed, music and dancing allowed and hospitality girls employed.

SEC. 2. Permits, Licenses. - No person shall own, maintain, or operate any cocktail lounge without first having obtained a permit from the Mayor and a license from the City Treasurer.

SEC. 3. Permit Fees. - There shall be paid to the City Treasurer for every permit issued by the Mayor for the operation of a cocktail lounge, an annual permit fee in accordance with the following schedule:

- Class A - Having a space of more than 32 square meters available to customers P50.00
- Class B - Having a space of not more than 32 square meters available to customers P25.00

SEC. 4. Municipal Tax. - There shall be paid to the City Treasurer for every license granted for cocktail lounges under this ordinance, the following quarterly license fees:

- Class A - Serving all kinds of liquor... P300.00
- Class B - Serving beer only 250.00

plus an additional license fee in the amount of P100.00 per quarter for serving food and refreshments.

SEC. 5. Location. - No cocktail lounge shall be established within a radius of 200 meters from the City Hall or any other public building, church, hospital, athletic stadium, public park or any institution of learning or charity.

SEC. 6. Building requirements. - (a) Where a cocktail lounge provides dancing for customers, the dancing area shall be properly ventilated, well-lighted and maintained under sanitary conditions at all times where the establishment is open, leaving no dark corners therein.

In each establishment there shall be no private rooms or separate compartments except those for lavatories, dressing rooms for ladies, and kitchen.

(c) The dancing and the dining hall of every cocktail lounge, which is also authorized to operate as a hotel, shall be on a floor separate from its lodging rooms.

(d) There shall be in each cocktail lounge at least two sets of lavatories, one exclusively for women and another for men. The building shall not be occupied or used for dancing purposes unless a certificate is first obtained from the City Engineer stating that the building is safe for dancing purposes.

(e) Every cocktail lounge shall be provided with only one entrance and it shall have no direct or indirect communication whatsoever with any dwelling place, house or building except for parking vehicles in order to avoid congestion and blocking the traffic. The parking place must be within an open ground provided with one door for entrance and another for exit.

SEC. 7. Hospitality girls; age requirement, qualifications. - No person shall be employed as hospitality girl in a cocktail lounge unless she is at least twenty-one years of age and has obtained from the City Health Officer a written certification that she is free from any contagious or infectious disease: PROVIDED, That a person below twenty-one years of age but not less than eighteen years of age may be employed in said cocktail lounge with the written consent of her parents or guardians and with the necessary health certificate above provided: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That no person shall engage in the occupation of a hospitality girl in a cocktail lounge without first securing a license from the City Treasurer. The City Treasurer shall collect for the license provided herein an annual fee of twenty-five pesos (P25.00).

SEC. 8. Prohibitions and Restrictions. - Minors under eighteen years of age, persons carrying deadly weapons of any description except government officials performing their public functions, and intoxicated persons whether customers or employees, shall not be admitted or allowed to remain in any cocktail lounge: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That persons under eighteen years of age may be admitted in such establishment when they are in private parties or accompanied by their parents or guardians.

SEC. 9. Penalty. - In case of violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance, the permit and license to operate the cocktail lounge shall, after due hearing, be revoked by the Mayor and the person or persons responsible for the violation shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than two hundred pesos (P200.00) or imprisonment of not more than six (6) months, or both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the Court.


10. Repealing Clause. - All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

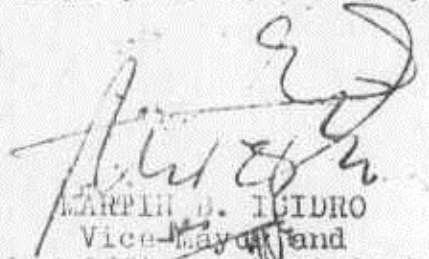
11. Effectivity. - This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved by the Municipal Board of the City of Manila at its regular session today, October 26, 1972.

Approved by His Honor, the Mayor, on No. 27, 1972.

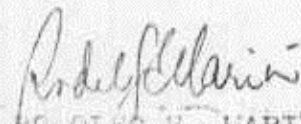
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