

CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

ORDINANCE NO. 2022- 31

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA AMENDING TITLE 6
“BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS” OF THE SITKA GENERAL CODE BY
UPDATING CHAPTER 6.19 “REGULATION OF COMMERCIAL OPERATORS SELLING
ORGANIZED EXCURSIONS OR RENTING EQUIPMENT FOR ORGANIZED
EXCURSIONS AND LOADING/UNLOADING COMMERCIAL VEHICLES” REGARDING
THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE INCENTIVE**

1. CLASSIFICATION. This ordinance is of a permanent nature and is intended to become a part of the Sitka General Code.

2. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this ordinance or any application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and application to any person or circumstance shall not be affected.

3. PURPOSE. The purpose of this ordinance is to change the loading/unloading permit fees reduction for vehicles powered by electricity from 50% to 100%. The intent of this ordinance is to incentivize the use of vehicles powered by electricity.

4. ENACTMENT. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka that the Sitka General Code Title 6, entitled “Business Licenses and Regulations”, Chapter 6.19, entitled “Regulation of Commercial Operators Selling Organized Excursions or Renting Equipment for Organized Excursions and Loading/Unloading Commercial Vehicles”, be amended by updating Section 6.19.040, entitled “Permit required for commercial vehicles loading/unloading in certain areas”, is revised to read as follows (deleted language stricken, new language underlined):

**Title 6
BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS**

Chapters:

- 6.04 Nonresident Business License**
- 6.08 Junkyards**
- 6.12 Mobile and Manufactured Homes and Mobile and Manufactured Home Park**
- 6.16 Sales on Public Property**
- 6.19 Regulation of Commercial Operators Selling Organized Excursions or Renting Equipment for Organized Excursions and Loading/Unloading Commercial Vehicles**
- 6.20 Pawnbrokers**

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**Chapter 6.19
REGULATION OF COMMERCIAL OPERATORS SELLING ORGANIZED EXCURSIONS
OR RENTING EQUIPMENT FOR ORGANIZED EXCURSIONS AND
LOADING/UNLOADING COMMERCIAL VEHICLES**

Sections:

- 6.19.010 Introduction.
- 6.19.020 Definitions.
- 6.19.030 Permit required for commercial operations involving organized excursions in areas subject to this chapter.
- 6.19.040 Permit required for loading/unloading commercial vehicles in certain areas.
- 6.19.050 Penalties.
- 6.19.060 Prohibition of distribution of commercial handbills and leaflets and placement of commercial advertisement signs.

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6.19.040 Permit required for commercial vehicles loading/unloading in certain areas.

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C. Fees. There is no fee for applying for a permit. However, the applicant shall pay all costs and expenses required by or related to its application, which are non-refundable by the city and borough whether the permit is denied or granted. If the permit is granted, the permittee shall pay a permit fee for each vehicle as follows; under seven passengers \$250, seven to fifteen passengers \$500, sixteen to twenty-nine passengers \$750, thirty or more passengers \$1,000. The permit fee shall be reduced by ~~50~~100% for any vehicle powered by electricity. Payment shall be made before the permit is issued or the permit shall be forfeited.

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5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective the day after the date of its passage.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska, this 10th day of January, 2023.



Steven Eisenbeisz, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sara Peterson, MMC
Municipal Clerk

1st reading: 12/27/2022

2nd and final reading: 1/10/2023

Sponsors: Christianson/Pike