TOWN OF STURGIS

P. O. BOX 97 STURGIS, MISSISSIPPI 39769

LELAND JAMES, MAYOR

Ordinance 115

March 6,2001

ORDINANCE

Be it ORDIANED and enacted by the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the Town of Sturgis, MS as follows:

The definition of vendor license will be as follows

VENDOR

For the purpose of this Section, a "vendor" is any person, firm, corporation, partnership or association not an operation place of business within the City who engages in temporary or transient business in the City selling goods, wares, merchandise or permanent business person, firm or corporation which is located within the City limits who is selling such goods, wares, merchandise or services, away from his/her or it's usual operating place of business and who, for the purpose of carrying on such business, hires, leases or occupies any room, building, structure or space for the exhibition or sale of such wares, merchandise, or services, The person, firm or corporation so engaged shall not be relived from the provisions of this section by reason of association with any local dealer, trader, merchant or by conducting such temporary or transient business in connection with or as a part of, or in the name of, any local dealer, trader, merchant or business.

VENDOR LICENSE REOUIRED

Any person, firm or corporation which intends to operate a temporary business within the corporate limits of the City of Sturgis shall be required to purchase a vendor license for each structure, stand, vehicle, booth, location or place which is used by such merchant for sale or distribution of goods. The person so engaged shall not be relieved from the provision of this section by reason of association with any local operating business, dealer, trader, or merchant by conducting such temporary or transient business in connection with or a part of, or in the name of any local dealer, trader, merchant or business.

The vendor license must be posted in a prominent location at each individual structure, stand, tent, vehicle, booth, location or place during operation.

APPLICATION

To obtain a license, a vendor shall file in the office of the City Clerk of Sturgis, a verified application Stating his or her name, residence, description and identification of the place in which he or she proposes to do business; dates of operation; name, address and phone number of property owner where the business shall take place; and the description of goods and/or services he or she intends to offer.

FEE AND DURATION OF LICENSE

A temporary business shall pay a vendors fee of \$200.00 dollars for each five (5) day consecutive day period or portion thereof, in any calendar year. Applicants residing within the 39769 zip code area shall pay a fee of \$100.00 dollars for each five (5) consecutive day period or portion thereof, in any calendar year. The City Clerk shall note on the license the time period for which it is in effect.

A business may purchase only two(2) vendors licenses per twelve(12) month period.

ISSUANCE

On filing the application and payment of the fee prescribed in this section and upon approval by the Board of Aldermen, the City Clerk shall issue a license to the application to do business at the place described in the application and for the time for which the license fee has been paid in advance.

EXEMPTIONS

A person retailing merchandise or product currently operating under a valid Privilege License on the property covered by the license.

Sales where the proceeds are to be used exclusively for religious, charitable or benevolent purposes. Written proof of charitable, non-profit status as declared by the <u>IRS</u> (I.E.501 (c)) (3) documentation) must be presented along with the application.

Sales of fruit, vegetables or farm or garden products in their natural sate.

The distribution of goods for which there is no charge.

All persons, firm or corporation distributing goods or performing a service for which there is no charge, shall be required to register with the City Clerk their name, address, location and the description of said service or goods, which are being distributed or preformed.

PENALTY

Any person, firm or corporation found in violation of this ordinance may be subject to immediate license revocation and prosecution. Violation of this Ordinance constitutes a Class II misdemeanor. Minimal \$500.00 dollar fine.

Passed and approved, this 6 Day of March 2001

Alderman Sarah Long made motion, seconded by Alderman Scott Smith

Aldermen:

Tony Jackson	X	Yea
J.D. Jackson	X	Yea
Scott Smith	X	Yea
Sarah Long	X	Yea
Greg Wall		Yea

Sandra L. Scarbrough, Clerk

Leland James, Mayor