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ORDINANCE 26-09

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART FOUR, TITLE SIX,
CHAPTER 462, SECTIONS 462.02, 462.04, AND 462.06 OF THE
CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING VEHICLE LICENSING
FOR THE CITY OF BERWYN, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF
ILLINOIS**

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WHEREAS, the City of Berwyn (the "City"), Cook County, Illinois is a home rule municipal corporation in accordance with Article VII, Section 6(a) of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and

WHEREAS, the City has the authority to adopt ordinances and promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to its government affairs, and to review, interpret, and amend its ordinances, rules, regulations in accordance with its home rule powers; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Berwyn (the "Corporate Authorities") are committed to ensuring the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the City and to the efficient operation of government; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities recognize the need to update and clarify the City of Berwyn Municipal Code from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities have determined that it is in the best interests of the City and its residents to amend Part Four Title Six, Chapter 462, Section 462.02, 462.04, and 462.06 of the Berwyn Municipal Code as set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BERWYN, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. INCORPORATION CLAUSE

The Corporate Authorities hereby find that all of the recitals hereinbefore stated as contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are in full, true and correct and do hereby, by reference, incorporate and make them part of this Ordinance as legislative findings.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend Part Four Title Six, Chapter 462, Section 462.02, 462.04, and 462.06 of the Berwyn Municipal Code as set forth herein and authorize the Mayor or his designee to take all action necessary to carry out the intent of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 462, SECTION 462.02.

Chapter 462, Section 462.02 of the City Code is hereby amended, notwithstanding any provision, ordinance or resolution of the City Ordinance section to the contrary, as follows:

§ 462.02 LICENSE REQUIRED.

(A) For purposes of this chapter, ~~license is also referred to as vehicle sticker or a metal license tag~~ a license means the approved registration of vehicle with the office of the Collector which may be recognized by the issuance of a window sticker, metal tag, or by electronic registration alone.

(B) No owner of a motor vehicle who resides in the city shall use or cause or permit any of his or her agents, employees, lessees, licensees or bailees to use any motor vehicle upon the public ways of the city unless such vehicle is licensed as provided in this chapter.

(C) No person not residing in the city shall use, or cause or permit any of his or her agents, employees, lessees, licensees or bailees to use, any motor truck, motor-driven commercial vehicle or motor vehicle which is used for public hire, upon the public ways of the city, unless the vehicle is licensed as provided in this chapter or unless the owner of the vehicle has obtained a certificate of registration from the Secretary of State, as provided by law.

(D) No person shall operate on the public ways of the city, a motorcycle, power cycle, bicycle with motor attached or motor scooter which produces not more than five brake horsepower, unless the vehicle is licensed as provided in this chapter.

(E) No person who resides in the city is exempt from this chapter or the payment of the license fee required hereunder, by reason of the registering of a vehicle in a municipality other than the city or in another state or sovereignty beyond the jurisdiction of the state. If the vehicle is used or operated on the public ways of the city, it shall be subject to this chapter, even though it has been registered in a jurisdiction outside the city or state.

(F) For purposes of this chapter, residing in the city includes registering the vehicle with the Secretary of State under a city address; owning, leasing or otherwise controlling of property or a place of business wherein motor vehicles, trailers or semitrailers are stored, repaired, serviced, loaded or unloaded in the city in connection with the business.

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 462, SECTION 462.04

Chapter 462, Section 462.04 of the City Code is hereby amended, notwithstanding any provision, ordinance or resolution of the City Ordinance section to the contrary, as follows:

§ 462.04 CLASSIFICATION OF LICENSE FEES; RATE STRUCTURE.

(A) For the license issued under this chapter, a fee shall be paid annually, as follows:

(1) Passenger vehicles:

(a) ~~The first three~~ Any vehicles registered to a single household, each ~~\$50~~ \$65.

(b) ~~The first three~~ Any vehicles registered to a single household kept off-street between 3:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m., each ~~\$30~~ \$45.

~~(c) For households with more than three registered vehicles the rates are as follows:~~

- ~~1. Fourth vehicle, \$200.~~
- ~~2. Fifth vehicle, \$240.~~
- ~~3. Sixth vehicle, \$280.~~
- ~~4. Seventh vehicle, \$320.~~
- ~~5. Eighth vehicle, \$360.~~
- ~~6. Increase by \$40 for each additional vehicle over eight.~~

~~(d)~~(c) 1. Passenger vehicles registered to a person 65 years or older, one vehicle per household, no fee. This cannot be combined with a gratis veteran license.

2. Second and subsequent vehicles registered to household will follow rate structure in this section.

~~(e)~~(d) Passenger vehicles registered to military veterans of the armed forces honorably discharged, one vehicle per household, no fee. This cannot be combined with a gratis 65 years or older license.

1. Second and subsequent vehicles registered to household will follow rate structure in this section.

~~(f)~~(e) Passenger vehicles registered to disabled veterans and ex-prisoners of war, no fee.

1. Proper or issuance of an appropriate military license plate from the Illinois Secretary of State as defined in the Illinois Vehicle Code is required.

~~(g)~~(f) Households are only eligible for a single, no fee, vehicle license per household.

(2) Motorcycles, motor-tricycles or mopeds, ~~\$35~~ \$50.

(3) Class B vehicles:

(a) ~~The first three~~ Any vehicles registered to a single household, each ~~\$75~~ \$95.

(b) ~~The first three~~ Any vehicles registered to a single household kept off-street between 3:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m., each ~~\$55~~ \$75.

~~(c) For households with more than three registered vehicles the rates are as follows:~~

- ~~1. Fourth vehicle, \$210.~~
- ~~2. Fifth vehicle, \$250.~~
- ~~3. Sixth vehicle, \$290.~~
- ~~4. Seventh vehicle, \$330.~~
- ~~5. Eighth vehicle, \$370.~~
- ~~6. Increase by \$40 for each additional vehicle over eight.~~

(4) Class II vehicles: This classification includes recreational vehicles (RV), trailers, buses and other single unit vehicles, each ~~\$75~~ \$95.

(5) Commercial vehicles: This classification includes dealer vehicles, taxis, commercial vehicles and commercial trucks greater than 8,000 pounds (classes A, C-Z), each ~~\$150~~ \$165.

(6) Municipally owned vehicles, no fee.

(B) Vehicle owners qualifying for one free vehicle license when purchasing multiple licenses shall have the discount applied to the lesser value vehicle license as described in this section.

~~—(C) The revenue generated from the increase shall be earmarked for future parking improvements.~~

SECTION 5. AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 462, SECTION 462.06

Chapter 462, Section 462.06 of the City Code is hereby amended, notwithstanding any provision, ordinance or resolution of the City Ordinance section to the contrary, as follows:

§ 462.06 DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF A LICENSE.

(A) *Internet purchases.*

(1) Only for license renewals on a pre-printed form, a discount of 10% per license, rounded to the nearest dollar amount, will be provided to those residents whose license purchase transaction is completed through the city website on or before 11:59 p.m. on June 20. Purchases should be completed by then to ensure delivery of the license on or before the June 30 deadline for displaying current licenses.

(2) Late fees will also be assessed for the internet purchases of licenses on and after June 30 of each year pursuant to § 462.05 of this chapter.

(B) *Mail-in purchases.*

(1) A discount of 10% per license, rounded to the nearest dollar amount, will be provided to those residents whose vehicle license purchase transaction is completed through the mail before June 20. If June 20 falls on a Saturday or Sunday the mail must be post-marked on the Monday after. Purchases should be completed by then to ensure delivery of the license on or before the June 30 deadline for displaying current licenses.

(2) Late fees will also be assessed for mail-in purchases of vehicle licenses received after June 30 of each year pursuant to § 462.05 of this chapter.

(C) *Early bird purchases.* A discount of ~~5%~~ 15% per license, rounded to the nearest dollar amount, will be provided to those residents whose vehicle sticker purchase transaction takes place between May 15 and postmarked by May 31.

(D) Discounts may be combined based on availability and fulfillment of the requirements outlined in this chapter.

SECTION 6. ENFORCEMENT

The officers, employees and/or agents of the City of Berwyn shall take all action necessary or reasonably required to carry out, give effect to and consummate the amendments contemplated by this Ordinance and shall take all action necessary in conformity therewith.

SECTION 7. RATIFICATION

All prior actions of the City's officials, employees and agents with respect to the subject matter of this Ordinance are hereby expressly ratified.

SECTION 8. HEADINGS.

The headings of the articles, sections, paragraphs, and subparagraphs of this Ordinance are inserted solely for the convenience of reference and form no substantive part of this Ordinance, nor should they be used in any interpretation or construction of any substantive provision of this Ordinance.

SECTION 9. SEVERABILITY.

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and should any provision of this Ordinance be determined to be in conflict with any law, statute, or regulation by a court of competent jurisdiction, said provision shall be excluded and deemed inoperative, unenforceable, and as though not provided for herein and all other provisions shall remain unaffected, unimpaired, valid, and in full force and effect.

SECTION 10. SUPERSEDER.

All code provisions, ordinances, resolutions, rules and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby superseded.

SECTION 11. PUBLICATION.

A full, true, and complete copy of this Ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form or in a newspaper published and of general circulation within the City as provided by the Illinois Municipal Code, as amended.

SECTION 12. EFFECTIVE DATE.


This Ordinance shall be effective in full force ten (10) days after its passage, approval, and publication in accordance with applicable law.

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ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Berwyn, County of Cook, State of Illinois on this 14th day of April, 2026, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
Caldwell		✓		
Bowman		✓		
Leja	✓			
Fejt	✓			
Pabon		✓		
Polashek	✓			
Bruckmann	✓			
Carmichael		✓		
(Mayor Lovero)	✓			
TOTAL	5	4		

APPROVED by the Mayor on this April day of 14, 2026.


 Robert J. Lovero
 MAYOR

ATTEST:


 Leticia Garcia
 CITY CLERK