

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-002

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CRESTONE, COLORADO, REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 6 OF THE CRESTONE MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING BUSINESS LICENSING AND REGULATION; ESTABLISHING GENERAL BUSINESS LICENSING REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING REGULATIONS FOR STATE-REGULATED LICENSES, TEMPORARY VENDORS, PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS, AND SHORT-TERM RENTALS; AUTHORIZING ADMINISTRATIVE ENFORCEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees finds that the existing provisions of Chapter 6 of the Crestone Municipal Code have been amended over time and would benefit from reorganization, clarification, and modernization; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees desires to establish a consistent administrative framework for business licensing and regulation within the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees finds that the proposed revisions promote public health, safety, and welfare by improving licensing procedures, clarifying enforcement mechanisms, confirming zoning compliance, and maintaining accurate business records; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees further finds that adoption of a revised Chapter 6 will improve administrative efficiency while maintaining appropriate oversight of businesses operating within the Town; and

WHEREAS, notice of this Ordinance has been provided in accordance with applicable law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF CRESTONE, COLORADO:

Section 1. Repeal and Replacement.

Chapter 6 of the Crestone Municipal Code, entitled "Business Licenses and Regulations," is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced with the revised Chapter 6 attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Purpose.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to modernize and reorganize the Town's business licensing regulations; establish clear administrative procedures for licensing, renewal, suspension, and revocation; provide regulations for temporary vendors, peddlers and solicitors, state-regulated businesses, and short-term rentals; and promote compliance with zoning, health, safety, and welfare requirements.

Section 3. Existing Licenses.

Any valid business license, short-term rental license, liquor license, retail marijuana license, temporary vendor permit, or other authorization lawfully issued prior to the effective date of this Ordinance shall remain valid until its expiration date, subject to the provisions of the revised Chapter 6.

Section 4. Administrative Authority.

The Town Manager or designee is authorized to implement and administer the provisions of Chapter 6 and may adopt administrative forms and procedures necessary to carry out the requirements thereof.

Section 5. Severability.

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

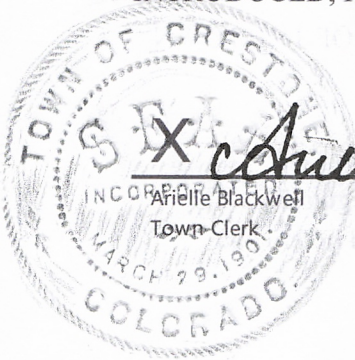
Section 6. Repealer.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 7. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after publication following final adoption, as provided by law.

INTRODUCED, PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13 day of July, 2026.



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Benjamin Byer
Mayor