

CITY OF CLARKSTON

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

ITEM NO: F4

HEARING TYPE:
Council Meeting

BUSINESS AGENDA / MINUTES

ACTION TYPE:
Resolution

MEETING DATE: March 1, 2016

SUBJECT: Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11, Article 4 of the Clarkston Code of Ordinances Regarding Coin-Operated Amusement Machines

DEPARTMENT: Administration

PUBLIC HEARING: YES NO

ATTACHMENT: YES NO
Pages

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PURPOSE: To consider and approve an ordinance to amend Chapter 11, Article 4 of the Clarkston Code of Ordinances regarding Coin-Operated Amusement Machines.

NEED/ IMPACT: State law allows the operation of coin-operated amusement machines but limits gross revenues from coin-operated amusement machines to 50% of the businesses' overall gross revenues. City ordinances and State law require COAM operators to submit monthly revenue reports.

Staff is currently in the process of reviewing license applications for COAM's. There are instances wherein COAM operators are failing to report monthly gross revenues and exceeding the 50% limit on COAM revenues to total revenues.

In reviewing the City's COAM ordinance, it was noted that we do not currently have a local 50% COAM revenue limit even though state law allows this and imposes the same limit. Our ordinance should also be more explicit about due process if the City intends to increase enforcement.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends approving the attached amendment to our COAM ordinance. Staff also acknowledges that although this is only an amendment to a current ordinance, this item may be referred to a Standing Advisory Committee for review.