

December 18, 2017

Manitowoc City Hall
Common Council Licensing Committee
900 Quay Street
Manitowoc, WI 54220

Re: Municipal Code 11-030 Adult Entertainment Taverns

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to remove ordinance number 11.030 section 4 and 5 sub section H pertaining to registration of Adult Entertainers.

The following reasons that I would like to remove or amend the ordinance stated above are as follows:

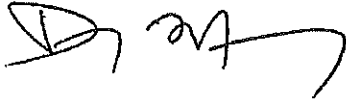
- I pay \$1,000.00 license fee above and beyond the normal cost of a Class B Tavern License to operate as an Adult Entertainment establishment.
- Restricted nature of the registration requirement is detrimental to my ability to hire quality employees.
- This ordinance is outdated; it has been on the books for over thirty years with out any results.

I don't think it is fair for potential employees to take the time to go through the registration process. The time constraints make it virtually impossible to register if they have another job.

I would like to say that I understand the need of a bartender to be licensed as they serve alcohol to the public. I also understand the need for the food service certification, as they serve food to the public. However, my employees do neither. I feel it is discriminatory and biased to have to register with the police department just to apply for a job. I have been in business for over 25 years at the same location with zero citations ever issued for an unregistered entertainer. I check ID's, run background checks, I pay \$1,000.00 above and beyond the Class B license to operate an adult establishment, due to this old and outdated ordinance and continued shrinking time constraints, I am unable to hire quality employees.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'DM' followed by a stylized flourish.

Don Murray 920-242-6441
Owner- TLM Investments INC.
dba Top Hat Lounge
