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WHEREAS, Section 6(a) of Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois provides that any municipality which has a population of more than 25,000 is a home rule unit, and the Village of Tinley Park (the "Village"), Cook and Will Counties, Illinois, with a population in excess of 25,000 is, therefore, a home rule unit and, pursuant to the provisions of said Section 6(a) of Article VII, may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs, including, but not limited to, the power to tax and to incur debt; and

WHEREAS, the Village has the authority to adopt ordinances and to promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to its government and affairs and that protect the public health, safety and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Village has determined that its ordinances need to be updated related to the Village's licensing of peddlers and solicitors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF TINLEY PARK, COOK AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS, STATE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The foregoing recitals shall be and are hereby incorporated as findings of facts as if said recitals were fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2: That Chapter 119 of Title XI is revised by deleting any stricken language and inserting any underlined language, as provided for in Exhibit #1, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

SECTION 3: That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately after its adoption and approval.

SECTION 4: That the Village Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect ten days after its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

PASSED THIS 21ST day of July, 2026.

AYES: Brady, Brennan, Mahoney, Mueller, Shaw, Sullivan

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

APPROVED THIS 21st day of July, 2026.


VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST:


VILLAGE CLERK

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PEDDLERS

§ 119.01 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this subchapter the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

“DOOR-TO-DOOR SOLICITATION.” Soliciting for donations; soliciting for support of political, charitable, or other causes not involving the solicitation of funds; or any other unsolicited sales of goods or services at a private residence.

“PEDDLER.” Any person who engages or attempts to engage in peddling as defined by this subchapter; a hawker or itinerant merchant.

“PEDDLING.” The sale or offering for sale of goods, merchandise, or property for immediate delivery from other than a fixed place of business on private property, including the sale of charitable books or pamphlets. **“PEDDLING”** shall not include the

sale of goods by charitable organizations for charitable purposes ~~on~~ not to exceed one day in any calendar year.

(Ord. 84-0-050, passed 11-27-84; Am. Ord. 2017-O-008, passed 2-7-17)

§ 119.02 LICENSE REQUIRED.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation or agent or employee of any firm or corporation to engage in the business of a hawker or peddler, or peddle any merchandise, article, or thing without first having secured a license therefor. No license shall be issued to any person who has been convicted of the commission of a felony under the laws of the State of Illinois or any other state or federal laws of the United States within five years of the date of the application; or who has been convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of this chapter; or whose license issued hereunder has previously been revoked, as herein provided.

(Ord. 84-0-050, passed 11-27-84; Am. Ord. 99-0-047, passed 7-20-99) Penalty, see § 110.99

§ 119.03 APPLICATION; FEE.

(A) Applications for a license shall be made to the Village Clerk and shall state thereon the number of vehicles, if any, intended to be operated, the kind of merchandise to be peddled, and the permanent address of the peddler.

(B) The fee for such a license shall be as provided in § 110.25 of this Code.

(Ord. 84-0-050, passed 11-27-84; Am. Ord. 95-0-023, passed 5-22-95) Penalty, see § 110.99

§ 119.04 FRAUD, CHEATING, OR MISREPRESENTATION.

No licensed peddler or hawker shall defraud, cheat, or misrepresent to anyone, whether through himself or herself or through an employee, while acting as a peddler in the village, nor barter, sell, or peddle any goods, merchandise, or wares other than those specified in his or her application for a license. The Village President may revoke such a license for that offense.

(Ord. 84-0-050, passed 11-27-84) Penalty, see § 110.99

§ 119.05 PEDDLING PROHIBITED IN RESIDENTIALLY ZONED DISTRICTS.

Peddling is prohibited in residentially zoned districts.

(Ord. 99-0-047, passed 7-20-99) Penalty, see § 110.99

SOLICITORS

§ 119.10 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this subchapter the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

"SOLICITING," "SOLICITATION," or "SOLICITOR." Shall include any of the following:

(A) "COMMERCIAL SOLICITING." The selling or offering for sale of goods, merchandise, or property for future delivery from other than a fixed place of business on private property, except fund soliciting.

(B) "FUND SOLICITING." Soliciting of funds not involving the sale of property, including solicitation where pamphlets are given to a donor of funds, but not including the sale of books or pamphlets.

(C) "STREET SOLICITATION." Soliciting that occurs on any public right-of-way within the village, as opposed to occurring door-to-door or strictly on sidewalks.

(D) "OTHER SOLICITING." Includes soliciting support for political, charitable, or other causes not involving the solicitation of funds.

(Ord. 84-0-050, passed 11-27-84; Am. Ord. 97-0-038, passed 5-27-97; Am. Ord. 2010-O-035, passed 9-21-10)

§ 119.11 LICENSE AND BADGE REQUIRED.

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation or agent to engage in commercial solicitation or fund solicitation, as defined by § 119.10(A) and § 119.10(B), respectively, without first securing a license as herein required. It shall be further required that commercial solicitors and fund solicitors shall wear in a conspicuous place on his or her person a Village issued badge that can be readily seen by other persons at all times while engaged in soliciting. Those engaged in other soliciting as defined by § 119.10(D) shall not be required to obtain a license or to wear a badge.

(B) The Village Clerk shall have designed and shall procure on behalf of the village sufficient badges of a uniform type for uses as hereinafter set forth. An official solicitor's badge shall be issued to each person licensed as a solicitor hereunder, ~~depositing the sum of \$5 which shall be refunded to the licensee upon return of the badge to the Village Clerk.~~ The badge shall remain the property of the village at all times and shall be returned to the Village Clerk upon the expiration, cancellation, or revocation of the license.

(Ord. 84-0-050, passed 11-27-84; Am. Ord. 99-0-047, passed 7-20-99; Am. Ord. 2002-O-041, passed 7-23-02) Penalty, see § 110.99

§ 119.12 APPLICATION; FEE.

(A) Application for a license shall be made, in writing, upon a form provided by the Village Clerk. The applicant shall, under oath, state in full the information requested on the application as follows:

(1) Name and address of present place of residence and length of residence at that address; the business address if other than the residence address; and the applicant's social security number.

(2) Physical description of applicant.

(3) Name and address of the person by whom the applicant is employed ~~by or for whom the applicant~~ represents, and the length of time of such employment or representation.

(4) Description sufficient for identification of the subject matter of the ~~soliciting-type~~ of solicitation in which the applicant will engage.

(5) Period of time for which the license is requested (no more than ninety (90) days).

(6) The date or appropriate date of the latest previous application for a license under this subchapter, or its predecessor, if any.

(7) Whether a license issued under this subchapter, or its predecessor, has ever been revoked.

(8) Whether the applicant has ever been convicted of a violation of any provisions of this subchapter, or its predecessor, or the ordinance of any other Illinois municipality, or any state statute regulating soliciting.

(9) Evidence that the applicant is authorized to solicit for the organization represented.

(10) Whether the applicant has ever been convicted of the commission of a felony under the laws of the State of Illinois or any other state or federal laws of the United States.

(B) The Village Clerk shall keep an accurate record of every application received and acted upon, together with all other information and data pertaining thereto and all licenses under the provisions hereof, and of the denial of applications. Applications for licenses shall be numbered in consecutive order, as filed, and every license issued shall be identified with the duplicate number of the application upon which it was issued.

(C) The non-refundable license fee shall be ~~\$35300, non-refundable, and shall be~~ paid by every person, ~~firm or corporation~~ securing a license upon application. In addition, a non-refundable background check fee of \$30 will also be required. A firm or corporation shall be required to pay a only one non-refundable license fee of \$50 per license regardless of the number of licenses issued to individuals employed by or acting as agents on behalf of the firm or corporation. Said firm or corporation shall, at the time of filing its application, provide to the village a list of names of the individuals that will be soliciting on its behalf. Regardless of whether an individual is soliciting on his or her behalf or on behalf of a firm or corporation, all individuals engaged in commercial soliciting or fund soliciting as defined in § 119.10(A) and § 119.10(B), respectively, within the village are required to apply for and to obtain a solicitor's license. Individuals soliciting on behalf of a firm or corporation shall, at the time of filing their application, provide proof acceptable to village staff, that they are soliciting on behalf of a licensed firm or corporation. The duration of a license for any individual, firm, or corporation shall not exceed ~~one year~~ ninety (90) days. ~~The fee shall be deposited with the Village Clerk at the time of the filing of the application and, if a license is issued, it shall be paid over to the Village Treasurer. However, if the license is denied, the deposit shall be returned to the applicant.~~ Not-for-profit organizations shall be excused from paying the ~~\$3550~~ license fee provided that at the time of filing the application, the organization files its not-for-profit charter or tax-exempt letter. Individuals soliciting for the not-for-profit organizations shall be excused from paying the fee of \$300 for securing a license. Proof that the individual or corporation soliciting for a not-for-profit organization shall be required to provide satisfactory proof of the not-for-profit status at the time of application.

(D) No license shall be issued to any person who has been convicted of the commission of a felony under the laws of the state or any other state or federal laws of

the United States within five years of the date of any of the provisions of this chapter; or whose license issued hereunder has previously been revoked as herein provided.

(E) At the time of application, all applicants must present a valid form of state or federal identification, including but not limited to, a driver's license, state identification card, or passport.

(Ord. 84-0-050, passed 11-27-84; Am. Ord. 99-0-047, passed 7-20-99; Am. Ord. 2002-O-041, passed 7-23-02)

§ 119.13 ISSUANCE OF LICENSE.

(A) The Village Clerk, upon receipt of a properly completed application, ~~but in no event later than five working days after receipt of the application,~~ shall either issue a license or notify the applicant, in writing, that the application has been denied for the following reasons:

(1) The applicant has failed to comply with the requirements of this subchapter.

(2) The applicant has, within the previous year, been convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of this subchapter, its predecessor, or the ordinance of any other municipality; of any state or federal statute regulating soliciting or peddling; or of a violation of any law where the offense for which the applicant was convicted took place in connection with the applicant's alleged soliciting.

(3) The applicant has within the past five years been convicted of a felony under the laws of the State of Illinois or any other federal laws of the United States.

(4) A license issued to the applicant under this chapter has been previously revoked.

(B) In the event the application is issued, each license shall be signed by the Village President and countersigned and sealed by the Village Clerk, and shall recite that no one shall solicit hereunder without wearing the official solicitor's badge as required herein.

(Ord. 84-0-050, passed 11-27-84; Am. Ord. 99-0-047, passed 7-20-99)

§ 119.14 SOLICITORS FOR FUNDS REGULATED.

(A) Solicitors for funds must comply with the "Solicitation for Charity Act," ILCS Ch. 225, Act 460, §§ 1 et seq., and must register with the Village Clerk ~~at least five days~~ prior to soliciting funds. The applicant, in registering, must furnish all information required in the application for a license in the case of commercial solicitation, and evidence of compliance with ILCS Ch. 225, Act 460, §§ 1 et seq., as from time to time amended, but no license fee or license shall be required. All solicitors for funds must obtain and wear an official solicitor's badge provided by the Village as required in the case of commercial solicitors under this chapter and indicate the specific dates on which such solicitation shall take place.

(B) Street solicitation shall be allowed only on county and village rights-of-way; street solicitation on state rights-of-way is hereby prohibited, unless specifically approved by the village. Street solicitation shall be allowed only for organizations with a stated benevolent, philanthropic, governmental, patriotic, or eleemosynary purpose; commercial solicitation is hereby prohibited on all streets. Solicitors for street solicitation

must also be registered and in good standing with the Attorney General of the state as required by the "Solicitation for Charity Act" referred to herein, produce sufficient evidence of such standing to satisfy the village, and must further register with the Village Clerk ~~at least five days~~ prior to soliciting and furnish all information required. Solicitors for street solicitation must also indicate the specific dates on which such solicitation shall take place. If the Chief of Police determines that any intersections/areas present a particular hazard based on construction work, road surface conditions or other traffic- or safety-affecting conditions, no solicitation will be permitted at those intersections/areas. All solicitors for street solicitation must obtain and wear an official solicitor's badge provided by the Village and, in addition, wear a fluorescent vest and sign an agreement provided by the village, indemnifying the village against liability for any and all injuries arising out of such street solicitation. Finally, such solicitors shall provide the Village Clerk with a certificate of insurance issued by an insurance company licensed to do business in Illinois indicating that the insurance company will insure the solicitor(s) and the business or organization represented by the solicitor(s) against any injury to any person or property during the solicitation that is causally related to an act or ordinary negligence of the solicitor(s) or of the business or organization represented by the solicitor(s). Such certificate of insurance shall name the village as an additional insured, shall state that the insurance policy shall not be amended or canceled during the period of the permitted solicitation, and shall reflect that at least the following coverage has been provided:

(1) Personal injury coverage of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$500,000 per person.

(2) Property damage coverage of at least \$100,000.

(C) Solicitors for funds and solicitors for street solicitation that have had a fixed place of operation in the village for over two years shall be exempt from registering under this subchapter for solicitation for funds or street solicitation by any organization if conducted solely among its own membership. However, the organization, if soliciting from other than its own membership, shall have on file with the Village Clerk, a list of names and addresses of its solicitors available for inspection and such solicitors shall obtain and wear an official solicitor's badge provided by the Village as required in the case of commercial solicitors under this chapter. In the case of solicitors for street solicitation, in addition to the above requirements, they shall also wear a fluorescent vest, execute an agreement provided by the village, indemnifying the village against liability for any and all injuries arising out of such or street solicitation, and represent an organization with a stated benevolent, philanthropic, governmental, patriotic, or eleemosynary purpose. Further, the organization must be in compliance with the "Solicitation for Charity Act" referred to herein.

(Ord. 84-0-050, passed 11-27-84; Am. Ord. 97-0-038, passed 5-27-97; Am. Ord. 2010-0-035, passed 9-21-10) Penalty, see § 110.99

§ 119.15 PROHIBITED ACTS.

(A) Uninvited soliciting.

(1) No person shall engage in solicitation upon any commercial premises, dwelling house, apartment, or other residence after having been asked by the owner, manager, agent, or occupant thereof to leave the commercial premises or residence.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in solicitation upon any commercial premises or residence if the commercial premises or residence is posted against solicitation by means of a notice, prominently displayed, upon which is printed the legend:

"NO SOLICITORS PERMITTED"

(a) A commercial premises, dwelling house, apartment, or other place of residence shall be deemed to be posted against solicitation if there is exhibited, on or near the main entrance to the premises, or on or near the main door to any residence located thereon, a sign at least three inches by four inches in size with letters at least one-third of an inch in height, which bears the above legend.

(b) Signs complying with the foregoing requirements shall be made available at cost at the office of the Village Clerk to persons requesting them.

(B) False statements and representations.

(1) No person who engages in solicitation shall use any plan, scheme, or ruse or make any statement which indicates or implies that the purpose of that person's solicitation is other than to obtain orders for or to make sales of goods or services.

(2) No person who engages in solicitation shall misrepresent the right of a buyer to rescind or cancel a sale under the provisions of applicable law.

(3) It shall be unlawful for any solicitor to cheat, deceive, or fraudulently misrepresent, whether through himself or herself or through an employee, while acting as a peddler or solicitor in the village, or to solicit for any other purpose than that specified in the application.

(C) Prohibited hours. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in solicitation at any time prior to ~~9~~10:00 a.m. or after ~~9~~7:00 p.m., local time, of any weekday; at any time prior to 10:00 a.m. or after ~~6~~4:00 p.m. on a Saturday; or any time on a Sunday or a state or national holiday.

(D) Obstructing traffic. No solicitor shall interfere with either vehicular or pedestrian traffic on any public right-of-way.

(E) Aggressive door-to-door solicitation. It is unlawful for any person to engage in door-to-door solicitation in an aggressive manner. For the purposes of this section, an "aggressive manner" means:

(1) Continuing to solicit from a person after the person has indicated, by word or conducted, that he or she does not wish to make a donation or purchase;

(2) Approaching a person when that person is entering or exiting a motor vehicle or assisting another in doing so;

(3) Intentionally touching or attempting to touch a person without that person's consent;

(4) Threatening a person, by word or conduct, with physical harm or violence;

(5) Using profane or abusive language towards a person;

(6) Any other words or conduct that would cause a reasonable person to fear for his or her safety, the safety of his or her property or the safety of another person accompanying that person.

(Ord. 81-5-9, passed - - --; Am. Ord. 2017-O-008, passed 2-7-17) ~~Penalty, see § 110.99~~

§ 119.16 REVOCATION OF LICENSE.

The Village President is authorized to revoke any license, upon the recommendation of the ~~License and Permits~~ Licensing Committee, hereunder for a violation of any of the provisions of this subchapter or any other regulations of the village, by any person, firm, or corporation to whom the license has been issued, or any agent, employee, or officer of any such person, firm, or corporation.

(Ord. 84-0-050, passed 11-27-84; Am. Ord. 91-0-050, passed 8-27-91)

§ 119.24 PENALTY.

Any person, firm, or corporation violating any provision of this chapter shall be fined not to exceed \$750 for each offense or jail sentence as deemed appropriate, but not greater than six months. A separate offense shall be deemed committed based upon each residence visited in which a violation occurs or continues.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF COOK) SS
COUNTY OF WILL)

CERTIFICATE

I, NANCY O'CONNOR, Village Clerk of the Village of Tinley Park, Counties of Cook and Will and State of Illinois, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 2026-O-047, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 119 OF TITLE XI OF THE VILLAGE CODE RELATED TO PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS IN THE VILLAGE OF TINLEY PARK" which was adopted by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Tinley Park on July 21, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the Village of Tinley Park this 21st day of July, 2026.



VILLAGE CLERK