

ORDINANCE NO. 1816

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
GARDENA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 5.24.170 OF THE
GARDENA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING CARD CLUB
EMPLOYEE WORK PERMITS**

WHEREAS, the Gardena Municipal Code currently requires all card club employees to obtain work permits from the City; and

WHEREAS, recent amendments to State law allow persons who are 18 to 20 years of age to work in card clubs without a work permit provided that they do not perform any duties on the floor of the gambling establishment or in connection with playing of card games; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with these changes in state law, the City Council wishes to exempt persons who are 18 to 20 years of age from work permit requirements.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 5.24.170 of the Gardena Municipal Code is hereby amended to read, as follows:

5.24.170 Employees – Work permits – Required – Nontransferability.

A. Any person wishing to work in a card club, in any capacity whatsoever, shall first obtain a work permit from the city. No card club shall employ, in any capacity, any person not having a work permit issued by the city. Notwithstanding the foregoing a person who is 18 to 20 years of age may be employed by a card club without obtaining a work permit in job classifications that entail providing services exclusively off the gaming floor and that are not involved in the play of a controlled game. Persons 18 to 20 years of age shall not be allowed to perform any duties of a card club employee on the floor of the card club establishment or in areas that are identified as restricted access areas to card club employees, including, but not limited to, the cage, count room, surveillance room, security office, vault, and card storage.

B. Work permits shall not be transferred or assigned but shall be valid in all card clubs in the city.

SECTION 2. Severability. If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance, or any part thereof is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance or any part thereof. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase be declared unconstitutional.

SECTION 3. Certification. The City Clerk shall certify the passage of this ordinance and shall cause the same to be entered in the book of original ordinances of said City; shall make a minute passage and adoption thereof in the records of the meeting at which time the same is passed and adopted; and shall, within fifteen (15) days after the passage and adoption thereof, cause the same, or a summary thereof, to be published as required by law, in a publication of general circulation.

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall not become effective or be in force until thirty (30) days from and after the date of its adoption.

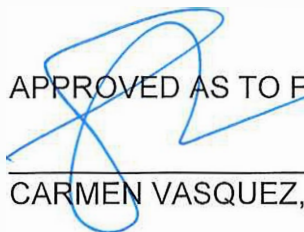
Passed, approved, and adopted this 25th day of February, 2020


TASHA CERDA, Mayor

ATTEST:


MINA SEMENZA, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


CARMEN VASQUEZ, City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss:
CITY OF GARDENA)

I, **MINA SEMENZA**, City Clerk of the City of Gardena, do hereby certify that the whole number of members of the City Council of said City is five; that the foregoing Ordinance being **Ordinance No. 1816** was duly passed and adopted by the City Council of said City of Gardena, approved and signed by the Mayor of said City, and attested by the City Clerk, all at a meeting of said City Council held on the **25th** day of **February, 2020**, and that the same was so passed and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS MEDINA AND TANAKA, MAYOR PRO TEM KASKANIAN,
 COUNCIL MEMBER HENDERSON AND MAYOR CERDA

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Becky Romero
City Clerk of the City of Gardena, California

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