ORDINANCE 221,9d

Introduced by Councilor Baker

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA AMENDING CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE XIII, SEC. 22-502 TREE SERVICE LICENSE REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBERT LEA ORDAINS:

That Chapter 22, Article XIII, Sec. 22-502 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Albert Lea, Minnesota is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 22-502. - License requirements and regulations.

a) Any person, firm, or corporation that provides tree care, tree trimming, or removal of tree, limbs, branches, brush, or shrubs for hire must be registered with the Minnesota Commissioner of Agriculture. As defined in Minn. Stat §18G.07.

b) No tree service license shall be granted until the applicant has filed with the city clerk an official certificate of registration issued by the Minnesota Commissioner of Agriculture and can adequately demonstrate that he or she possesses the necessary skill, knowledge, and ability to scientifically perform the service, and that he or she owns or has under his or her control sufficient equipment to safely and properly perform the service.

c) It is unlawful for a person to advertise tree care or tree trimming services in Minnesota without being registered with the commissioner.

d) No license shall be issued until the applicant has filed with the city clerk a policy or certificate of public liability insurance for coverage concurrent with the license term with the currently required limits under Minn. Stat. 466.04.

e) A license will be withheld until the applicant presents acceptable evidence of compliance with the workers' compensation insurance coverage requirement of Minn. Stat. §176.182. If the required information is not provided or is falsely stated, it shall result in a $2,000 penalty assessed against the applicant by the commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry.

That the motion for the adoption of the foregoing ordinance was duly seconded by Councilor Brooks, and upon a vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Councilors Murray, Baker, Howland, Olson, Rasmussen, Brooks and Mayor Rasmussen, Jr.

And, the following voted against the same: None

Introduced the first time on the 11th day of February, 2019

Introduced the second time on the 25th day of February, 2019

Mayor Vern Rasmussen, Jr.

Filed and attested to on the 26th day of February, 2019

Secretary of the Council