

**VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
ORDINANCE 2025-111**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 25, COMPREHENSIVE FEES AND
PENALTIES, RELATED TO AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTERS 7, 10 AND 11 OF
THE VILLAGE CODE**

WHEREAS, the Village of Vernon Hills is a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Section 6(a) of Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois 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 regulate for the protection of the public health, safety, morals and welfare; to license; to tax; and to incur debt; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/1-2-1, provides that the corporate authorities of each Illinois municipality may pass all ordinances and make all rules and regulations proper or necessary, to carry into effect the powers granted to municipalities, with such fees or penalties as may be deemed proper; and

WHEREAS, under separate ordinance, the regulations of Chapter 7, Environmental Health/Food, are to be relocated to Article 16 of Chapter 10 Licenses, Permits, and Miscellaneous Business Regulations, of the Vernon Hills Village Code; and

WHEREAS, under separate ordinance, the regulations of Chapter 11, Mechanical Vending and Amusement Devices, are to be relocated to Article 14 of Chapter 10 Licenses, Permits, and Miscellaneous Business Regulations, of the Vernon Hills Village Code; and

WHEREAS, under separate ordinance, the regulations of Chapter 10, Licenses, Permits, and Miscellaneous Business Regulations, of the Vernon Hills Village Code, are to be amended to incorporate miscellaneous additional changes; and

WHEREAS, Staff has recommended that Chapter 25, Comprehensive Fees and Penalties, be amended to reflect these changes; and

WHEREAS, the Committee of the Whole discussed Staff's recommendation and reviewed the draft code amendments at its meeting on September 2, 2025, with the consensus of the Committee to recommend approval by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees has determined that the requested amendments are in the best interest of the Village of Vernon Hills and hereby adopts this ordinance amending the Vernon Hills Village Code pursuant to its authority to establish reasonable regulations pertaining to the use of land and establish license and permitting requirements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD
OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, COUNTY OF LAKE
AND STATE OF ILLINOIS:**

SECTION 1. The above recitals are hereby incorporated into and made part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Chapter 25, Comprehensive Fees and Penalties, is hereby amended as described in **Exhibit A**, “Chapter 25, Comprehensive Fees and Penalties, Draft for Board Consideration – September 16, 2025.”

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY. In the event that any section, clause, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be found and determined to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, all valid parts that are severable from the invalid parts shall remain in full force and effect. If any part of this ordinance is found to be invalid in any one or more of its several applications, all valid applications that are severable from the invalid applications shall remain in effect.

SECTION 4. REPEAL AND SAVINGS CLAUSE. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall affect any rights, actions or causes of action which shall have accrued to the Village of Vernon Hills prior to the effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

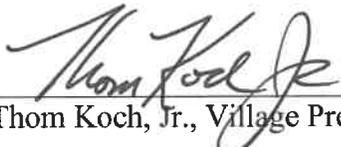
SECTION 6. ORDINANCE NUMBER. This ordinance shall be known as Ordinance Number 2025-111.

Adopted by roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 7 – Marquardt, Oppenheim, Takaoka, Forster, Schenk, Lundeen, Koch

NAYS: 0 - None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None


Thom Koch, Jr., Village President

PASSED: 09/16/2025

APPROVED: 09/16/2025

ATTEST: 09/16/2025

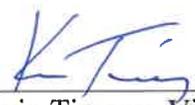

Kevin Timony, Village Clerk



EXHIBIT A

Chapter 25, Comprehensive Fees and Penalties

Draft for Board Consideration – September 16, 2025

Chapter 25 COMPREHENSIVE FEES AND PENALTIES

Sec. 25-7. ~~Environmental Health/Food—Chapter 7, Reserved~~

Category II	\$250.00
Category III	\$500.00
Late Renewal Fee	\$50.00
Reinspection Fee	\$50.00

(Ord. No. 2004-11, § I, 2-17-04; Ord. No. 2004-57, § I, 6-15-04)

Sec. 25-8. Chapter 8, reserved.

(Ord. No. 2004-11, § I, 2-17-04)

Sec. 25-9. Garbage and Refuse—Chapter 9.

Scavenger (solid and/or liquid) per company/per year	\$500.00
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(Ord. No. 2004-11, § I, 2-17-04; Ord. No. 2004-41, § II, 5-18-04)

Sec. 25-10. Licenses, Permits, And Miscellaneous Business Regulations—Chapter 10.

- (a) *License fees referenced in Chapter 10, by Article.* Fees listed herein are the initial license fee and renewal fee unless otherwise specified. Businesses not exempt from the license requirement in Chapter 10 shall pay the base fee plus any applicable supplemental license fees. Liquor License fees are listed in Sec. 25-3.

Article	Business/License Type	Fee (\$)
1	Amusement, recreation (bowling, trampoline parks, similar)	\$100.00
1	Appliance and machine repair shops	\$100.00
1	Auctioneers	\$100.00
1	Automobile sales and/or rentals	\$100.00
1	Bakery	\$100.00
1	Banks and other financial institutions	\$100.00
1	Banquet hall	\$100.00
1	Barber / hair cutting (excludes beauticians)	\$100.00
1	Building materials	\$100.00
1	Carnival, car show, or similar, where admission is charged per day	\$100.00
1	Carwashes (auto laundries)	\$100.00

1	Catering	\$100.00
1	Circuses, sideshows, menageries, concerts, caravans or other entertainment under a covering or canvas	\$100.00
1	Country club	\$100.00
1	Dry cleaning, laundries and Laundromats (full or self-service)	\$100.00
1	Florist	\$100.00
1	Food manufacturers	\$100.00
1	Fuel oil delivery	\$100.00
1	Gas stations and service stations, auto repair, auto body repair facilities	\$100.00
1	Health club, fitness facility	\$100.00
1	Hotel-motel	\$250.00
1	Movie theater, closed-circuit television shows and similar shows (excluding cable TV), per screen	\$100.00
1	Parking garages and lots (operated for profit), per building and/or lot	\$100.00
1	Pharmacy	\$100.00
1	Preschool and day care facilities, excluding nonprofit organizations	\$100.00
1	Printer (retail)	\$100.00
1	Restaurant — mobile / itinerant vendor	\$100.00
1	Restaurant (carryout, sit-down, deli, ice cream parlors, etc.)	\$100.00
1	Retail, food and grocery (beverage, convenience store, meats/seafood, candy, similar	\$100.00
1	Retail, secondhand or resale shop (no purchase from customers)	\$100.00
1	Shoe Repair	\$100.00
1	Ticket brokers	\$100.00
2	Jewelry, precious metals	\$100.00
3	Tobacco, smokeless tobacco, vape and similar	\$300.00
4	Massage establishment	\$100.00
5	Resale establishment with purchase/trade (pawn, precious metals, sporting goods, etc.)	\$100.00
6	Outdoor establishment permit — new	\$250.00
6	Outdoor establishment permit — renewal	\$100.00
7	Farmers market stall fee, annual	\$200.00
7	Farmers market stall fee, daily	\$50.00
8	Fireworks display, per event	\$100.00
10	Tenant directional panel (in ROW) — initial fee, plus installation cost	\$200.00
10	Tenant directional panel (in ROW) — renewal	\$100.00
11	Donation box (initial and annual renewal)	\$100.00

Article	Business/License Type	Fee (\$)
1	Business license — Base Fee	\$100.00
2	Jewelry, precious metals	\$100.00
3	Tobacco, smokeless tobacco, vape and similar	\$300.00
4	Massage establishment	\$100.00
5	Resale establishment with purchase/trade (pawn, precious metals, sporting goods, etc.)	\$100.00
6	Outdoor establishment permit - new	\$250.00

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6	Outdoor establishment permit - renewal	\$100.00
7	Farmers market stall fee, annual	\$200.00
7	Farmers market stall fee, daily	\$50.00
8	Fireworks display, per event	\$100.00
10	Tenant directional panel (in ROW) - initial fee, plus installation cost	\$200.00
10	Tenant directional panel (in ROW) - renewal	\$100.00
11	Donation box (initial and annual renewal)	\$100.00
14	Amusement Device Arcade	\$100.00
14	Amusement Device Arcade, per amusement device	\$50.00
14	Vending machine establishment (5 or more machines)	\$100.00
15	Hotel	\$250.00
16	Food Service Establishment (Category II or III only)	\$100.00

(b) Penalties referenced in Chapter 10, by Article.

Article	Violation	Fine (\$)
1	General, failure to obtain required license	\$250.00
11	Violations per Article XI (Donation Boxes)	\$250.00

(Ord. No. 2004-11, § I, 2-17-04; Ord. No. 2004-27, § II, 4-6-04; Ord. No. 2004-99, § II, 10-19-04; Ord. No. 2005-16, § I, 3-1-05; Ord. No. 2007-02, § IV, 1-16-07; Ord. No. 2014-019, § III, 4-15-14; Ord. No. 2023-115, § 2, 11-7-23)

Sec. 25-11. Mechanical Vending Machines and Amusement Devices—Chapter 11, Village Facilities

License Type	Annual and Renewal Fee
Proprietary establishment, class A	\$250.00
Proprietary establishment, class B	\$250.00
Proprietary establishment, class C	\$250.00
Vending—Licenses are paid for by each machine owner or vendor	\$25.00
No charges for candy or gumball machines charging \$0.24 or less	per machine charging \$0.24 or less
No charges for candy or gumball machines charging \$0.75 or less that do not use electricity.	\$50.00
	Per machine charging \$0.25 or greater
ATMs	\$100.00 per year
Storage of seized and impounded mechanical amusement device	\$5.00 per day

User fees, if applicable, shall be referenced within the usage policy for each facility. Facility use policies are kept on file with the Village Clerk.

(Ord. No. 2004-11, § I, 2-17-04; Ord. No. 2004-84, § II, 8-3-04)

Sec. 25-26. Development Review & Observation—Appendix B.

Cultural/community center fund donation, per dwelling unit	\$500.00
Engineering review for minor projects not requiring P&Z or VB approval	\$100.00
Engineering review and observation	4% of cost of site/engineering construction cost as approved by the village engineer
<u>Engineering review and observation – parking lots</u>	<u>4% of cost of site/engineering construction cost as approved by the village engineer. Not to exceed \$1,000.</u>
Reimbursement of fees (pursuant to the terms of the "reimbursement of fees agreement" attached hereto as exhibit "A")	
Site grading plan and site review—Commercial	\$500.00 revision to approved plan—\$125.00
Site grading plan and site review—Residential	\$200.00 revision to approved plan—\$50.00
Technical review (all projects)	Minimum \$1,500.00 increase \$500.00 per acre Maximum \$7,500.00

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THE 16th AY OF SEPTEMBER 2025

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President and Board of Trustees of the Village of
Vernon Hills, Lake County, Illinois, this
16th day of September, 2025

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

I, KEVIN TIMONY, BEING FIRST DULY APPOINTED, DEPOSES AND SAYS ON OATH THAT AS VILLAGE CLERK OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, HE DID CAUSE THE FOREGOING CERTIFICATE FOR ORDINANCE NO. 2025-111 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 25, COMPREHENSIVE FEES AND PENALTIES, RELATED TO AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTERS 7, 10 AND 11 OF THE VILLAGE CODE TO BE POSTED IN THE VILLAGE HALL AS REQUIRED BY LAW FROM SEPTEMBER 16, 2025 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2025.



Kevin Timony, Village Clerk

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME
THIS 16th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025



Notary Public

