

**CITY OF RINGOLD
STATE OF GEORGIA**

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 0508

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF RINGGOLD, GEORGIA BY AMENDING CHAPTER 6 CAPTIONED “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES” BY AMENDING SECTION 6-1 CAPTIONED “DEFINITIONS” BY THE ADDITION OF DEFINITIONS FOR “BREW PUB” AND “MICRO-BREWERY”; BY STRIKING, DELETING AND REPEALING SECTION 6-4 CAPTIONED “POURING HOURS FOR RESTAURANTS” IN ITS ENTIRETY AND SUBSTITUTING IN LIEU THEREOF A NEW SECTION 6-4 CAPTIONED “POURING HOURS FOR RESTAURANTS”; BY AMENDING SECTION 6-5 CAPTIONED “PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS” BY STRIKING, DELETING AND REPEALING SUBSECTION (E) IN ITS ENTIRETY; BY AMENDING SECTION 6-48 CAPTIONED “LICENSE FEES”, BY THE ADDITION OF LICENSE FEES FOR BREW PUB AND MICRO-BREWERY; BY AMENDING SECTION 6-53 CAPTIONED “PREFERRED CATERER OR CONCESSIONAIRE” BY STRIKING, DELETING AND REPEALING THE FIRST SENTENCE THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTING IN LIEU THEREOF A NEW FIRST SENTENCE; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the duly elected governing authority of the City of Ringgold, Georgia is authorized under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph III of the Constitution of the State of Georgia to adopt reasonable ordinances to protect and improve the public health, safety, welfare, and aesthetics of the citizens of the City of Ringgold, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the duly elected governing authority of the City of Ringgold, Georgia is the Mayor and Council thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF RINGGOLD, GEORGIA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1.

The Code of Ordinances of the City of Ringgold, Georgia is hereby amended by amending Chapter 6 captioned “Alcoholic Beverages” by amending Section 6-1 captioned “Definitions” by the addition of definitions for “brewpub” and “micro-brewery”, which shall read as follows:

“*Brewpub* means any restaurant in which beer or malt beverages are manufactured or brewed, subject to the barrel production limitation prescribed in section 3-5-36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated for retail consumption.”

“*Micro-brewery* means a facility using traditional brewing practices to produce less than 5,000 barrels of malt beverage annually.”

Section 2.

The Code of Ordinances of the City of Ringgold, Georgia is hereby amended by amending Chapter6 captioned “Alcoholic Beverages” by striking, deleting and repealing Section 6-4 captioned “Pouring hours for restaurants” in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof a new Section 6-4 captioned “Pouring hours for restaurants”, which shall read as follows:

Sec. 6-4. - Pouring hours for restaurants.

No alcoholic beverages may be consumed on the premises of a restaurant between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Mondays through Saturdays, and between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 12:29 p.m. on Sundays. Provided, however, on New Years Eve, St. Patrick’s Day (March 17th) and Cinco de Mayo (May 5th) pouring hours are extended until 2:00 a.m. of the next day unless the next day is a Monday.

Section 3.

The Code of Ordinances of the City of Ringgold, Georgia is hereby amended by amending Chapter6 captioned “Alcoholic Beverages” by amending Section 6-5 captioned “Prohibited transactions” by striking, deleting and repealing subsection (e) in its entirety. Subsection (f) of Section 6-5 shall become the new subsection (e).

Section 4.

The Code of Ordinances of the City of Ringgold, Georgia is hereby amended by amending Chapter6 captioned “Alcoholic Beverages” by amending Section 6-48 captioned “License fees”, by the addition of license fees for brewpub and micro-brewery, which shall read as follows:

(10) Brewpub: \$500.00

(11) Micro-brewery: \$500.00

Section 5.

The Code of Ordinances of the City of Ringgold, Georgia is hereby amended by amending Chapter6 captioned “Alcoholic Beverages” by amending Section 6-53 captioned “Preferred caterer or concessionaire” by striking, deleting and repealing the first sentence thereof and substituting in lieu thereof a new first sentence, which shall read as follows:

“The preferred caterer or concessionaire license is issued for one event only, and only for an event at the Ringgold Depot and Patriot Hall.”

Section 6.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are repealed.

Section 7.

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Ringgold that the section, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance are severable and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of this Ordinance.

Section 8.

The adoption date of this Ordinance shall be May 8, 2017. The effective date of this Ordinance shall be its adoption date.

SO ORDAINED, this 8th day of May, 2017.

CITY OF RINGGOLD, GEORGIA

NICK MILLWOOD, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK