



**City of Phoenix**  
CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT  
LICENSE SERVICES

Feb. 25, 2019

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

### PROPOSED CHANGE TO SCRAP METAL DEALER LICENSE REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO USED BEVERAGE CONTAINERS (ALUMINUM CANS)

To: Scrap Metal Dealers

From: City of Phoenix City Clerk Department – License Services Office

Re: Potential Change in Licensing Requirements for Some Scrap Metal Dealer Businesses

Proposed Change:

Require businesses that deal exclusively in aluminum cans to obtain a scrap metal dealer license. The text of the draft proposed amendment to Chapter 19 of the Phoenix City Code is attached to this letter.

Summary of Issue:

Transacting in scrap metal is regulated by Arizona Revised Statutes (ARS) and the Phoenix City Code. The City Code (Chapter 19, Section 19-1.27) currently provides an exemption for businesses that deal exclusively in aluminum cans from the requirement to obtain a scrap metal dealer license from the City of Phoenix. The proposed amendment would remove that exemption.

No new fees are proposed. However, as a result of the proposed ordinance change some businesses that are not currently required to obtain a scrap metal dealer license from the City of Phoenix will now be required to obtain one and pay the corresponding existing fees.

In compliance with A.R.S. § 9-499.15, the Phoenix City Council may consider this potential ordinance change after March 31, 2019. Staff is currently gathering input on the proposed amendment prior to making a final recommendation to the Council.

Opportunity to Comment:

The City Clerk Department is hosting a public meeting at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 to discuss the proposed changes, answer questions, and take comments. The meeting will be held in the Phoenix City Hall Assembly Rooms, located at 200 W. Washington St., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor.

It is not necessary for you to attend the public meeting to provide input on the proposed changes. If you have questions or would like to provide comments, please email License Services Program Manager Jennifer Wingenroth at [jennifer.wingenroth@phoenix.gov](mailto:jennifer.wingenroth@phoenix.gov) or call 602.262.7003. Please provide any comments by March 15, 2019. If you would simply like to be notified when this item is scheduled to be heard by the City Council, you may email [licenseservices@phoenix.gov](mailto:licenseservices@phoenix.gov) to request to be added to the email notification list.

For more information, visit [www.phoenix.gov/licenseservices](http://www.phoenix.gov/licenseservices), under **Vending/Scrap Metal Dealers**.

ORDINANCE G-\_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 19, ARTICLE I, SECTION 19-1, SUBSECTION 27 OF THE PHOENIX CITY CODE RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF SCRAP METAL DEALERS TO CONFORM THE PHOENIX CITY CODE TO AN AMENDMENT OF STATE LAW RELATING TO SCRAP METAL DEALERS.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHOENIX as

follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 19, Article I, Section 19.1, Subsection 27 of the Phoenix City Code, is amended to read:

27. *Scrap metal dealer* means a person or business entity, including all employees of the person or business entity, except automotive recyclers as defined and licensed pursuant to Title 28, Chapter 10, Arizona Revised Statutes, and whose primary business is the dismantling, selling or disposing of parts or accessories of motor vehicles, engaged in the business of purchasing, trading, bartering or otherwise receiving secondhand or cast-off material of any kind, ~~except used beverage containers~~, which is commonly known as scrap metal.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Phoenix this \_\_\_ day of April, 2019.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_ Acting City Attorney

REVIEWED BY:

\_\_\_\_\_ City Manager

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