ORDINANCE 598

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENSON, ARIZONA, RELATING TO THE TRANSACTION PRIVILEGE TAX; ADOPTING "THE 2012-2014 AMENDMENTS TO THE TAX CODE OF THE CITY OF BENSON" BY REFERENCE; ESTABLISHING EFFECTIVE DATES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS

WHEREAS, the City of Benson has a tax code that, like among other jurisdictions, mirrors the Model Arizona City Tax Code; and

WHEREAS, the Model Tax Code was amended between 2012-2014; and

WHEREAS, the City wants to adopt these amendments so that its Tax Code is up to date and consistent with the most current Arizona City Model Tax Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENSON, ARIZONA, as follows:

Section 1: That certain document known as "The 2012-2014 Amendments to the Tax Code of the City of Benson", three copies of which are on file in the office of the city clerk of the City of Benson, Arizona, which document was made a public record by Resolution 13-2019 of the City of Benson, Arizona, is hereby referred to, adopted and made a part hereof as if fully set out in this ordinance.

Section 2: Any person found guilty of violating any provision of these amendments to the tax code shall be guilty of a class one misdemeanor. Each day that a violation continues shall be a separate offense punishable as herein above described.

Section 3: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance or any part of these amendments to the tax code adopted herein by reference is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

Section 4: The provisions of this ordinance conforms this local code to the Model City Tax Code, which is controlling. The provisions of each section are effective as stated in each section and are as provided by the Municipal Tax Code Commission upon approval of the stated change to the Model City Tax Code. Provisions subject to a retroactive effective date at the time of approval by the Municipal Tax Code Commission favor taxpayers by reducing an imposition of the tax or increasing an allowable deduction, exemption, or exclusion. Provisions that increase the imposition of the tax or decrease the application of a deduction, exemption, or exclusion had a prospective
effective date at the time of approval by the Municipal Tax Code Commission. Provisions creating a new Option state the first effective date the new Option is available for selection. Provisions eliminating an existing Option state the last effective date of the eliminated Option.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENSON, ARIZONA, this 13th day of May, 2019.

ATTEST:

VICKI L. VIVIAN, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MESCH CLARK ROTHSCILD
By Gary J. Cohen
City’s Attorney