

ORDINANCE NO. 2012-04
ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE TEMPORARY
MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS LICENSES FOR
BUSINESSES DOING BUSINESS AS EVENT CENTERS

WHEREAS, the City of Center Point has been active since its incorporation in efforts to remove or limit the number of businesses which are illegal, undesirable or which are detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the City of Center Point; and

WHEREAS, Center Point has adopted the City of Center Point zoning ordinance and has adopted a Business License Code to regulate the type of businesses located within the City of Center Point; and

WHEREAS, Center Point is contemplating or reviewing the above Ordinance and the possible creation of a redevelopment area to redevelop and improve the business district of Center Point; and

WHEREAS, Center Point has, in recent months, experienced a proliferation of businesses engaged primarily as Event Centers; and

WHEREAS, such businesses doing business as Event Centers are in conflict with the contemplated redevelopment, zoning plan, business licensing, and specific proposals which the City may be considering in the future and have been the site of and have fostered several fights and riots with shots fired; and

WHEREAS, numerous Event Centers have already opened within the City; and

WHEREAS, existing land use controls do not adequately address the potential adverse effects of the proliferation of Event Centers in Center Point; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has found that there is a current and immediate threat to the public health, safety and welfare by the continued proliferation of Event Centers within the City of Center Point an increase of that and that the continued issuance of business licenses for use by said businesses would result in an increase of that threat to the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Center Point; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has found it essential to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Center Point by enacting a moratorium for a period of 180 days on the establishment, development or approval of business licenses for Event Centers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Center Point is in the process of revising its current Master Plan and the Planning Commission is studying the revision of the zoning ordinance and regulations for the City of Center Point.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Center Point does ordain as follows:

1. To extend for another period of 180 days Ordinance number 2011-06 enacted November 17, 2011, no business license shall be issued for Event Centers which had not applied for a business license as of November 17, 2011, and;
2. If any portion of this ordinance is found to be invalid, it is the intention of the City Council that the remaining provisions of the ordinance be severed from the invalid provisions and will remain in full force and effect.

This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Center Point, Alabama, and posting as required by Alabama law.

ADOPTED this the 10th day of May, 2012.

Roger A Barlow, Council President

Danny King
Councilman Danny King

Linda Kennemur
Councilwoman Linda Kennemur

Raymond Olan
Councilman Raymond Olan

Terry Leesburg
Councilman Terry Leesburg

APPROVED this 11th day of May, 2012.

Thomas E. Henderson
Thomas E. Henderson, Mayor

ATTEST: Jackie Davidson
Jackie Davidson, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Jackie Davidson, City Clerk of the City of Center Point, Alabama do hereby
Certify that the following is a true and correct copy of Ordinance Number 2012-04
of the City of Center Point, Alabama, adopted on May 10, 2012, and
posted in the following places:

Center Point City Hall

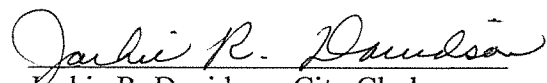
Center Point Fire District – Station 1

Center Point Senior Citizens Center

United States Post Office – Center Point Branch

on May 11, 2012, and effective thirty days thereafter.

Given under my hand and seal this 11th day of May,
2012.


Jackie R. Davidson, City Clerk
City of Center Point, Alabama

May 11, 2012

PUBLIC NOTICE

Attached is a copy of the Ordinance adopted at the Regular Meeting of the Center Point City Council held on Thursday, May 10, 2012 at Center Point City Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Ordinance 2012-04

An Ordinance to extend the temporary moratorium on the issuance of business licenses for businesses doing business as event centers

Copies of these documents are posted in the following places:

Center Point City Hall
Center Point Fire District – Station 1
Center Point Senior Citizens Center
Reed Harvey Park
United States Post Office – Center Point Office

Jackie R. Davidson, City Clerk