

ORDINANCE No. 17-2025
Second Reading: 11-18-2025

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF HORRY)
TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE NO. 1-2022 OF THE TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH TO UPDATE THE CLASS SCHEDULE AS REQUIRED BY ACT 176 OF 2020.

WHEREAS, the Town of Atlantic Beach (the "Municipality") is authorized by S.C. Code Section 5-7-30 and Title 6, Chapter 1, Article 3 to impose a business license tax on gross income;

WHEREAS, by Act No. 176 of 2020, known as the South Carolina Business License Tax Standardization Act and codified at S.C. Code Sections 6-1-400 to -420 (the "Standardization Act"), the South Carolina General Assembly imposed additional requirements and conditions on the administration of business license taxes;

WHEREAS, the Standardization Act requires that by December thirty-first of every odd year, each municipality levying a business license tax must adopt, by ordinance, the latest Standardized Business License Class Schedule as recommended by the Municipal Association of South Carolina (the "Association") and adopted by the Director of the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office;

WHEREAS, following the enactment of the Standardization Act, the Municipality enacted Ordinance No. 1-2022 on March 7, 2022 in order to comply with the requirements of the Standardization Act (the "Current Business License Ordinance");

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Municipality (the "Council") now wishes to amend the Current Business License Ordinance to adopt the latest Standardized Business License Class Schedule, as required by the Standardization Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Atlantic Beach, as follows:

SECTION 1. Amendments to Appendix B. Appendix B to the Current Business License Ordinance, the "Business License Class Schedule," is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) Classes 1 through 8 in Appendix B to the Current Business License Ordinance, the "Business License Class Schedule," are hereby amended and restated as set forth on the attached Exhibit A.
- (b) Class 9 in Appendix B to the Current Business License Ordinance, the "Business License Class Schedule," shall remain in full force and effect as set forth in the Current Business License Ordinance.

SECTION 2. Repealer, Effective Date. All ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed. This ordinance shall be effective with respect to the business license year beginning on May 1, 2026.

DONE AND ENACTED IN COUNCIL DULY ASSEMBLED THIS 18TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025.

Atlantic Beach Town Council

Jake Evans, Mayor

John David, Jr. Mayor Protem

Jacqueline Gore, Councilmember

Edward Campbell, Councilmember

Carla Y. Taylor, Councilmember

Attest:

Cheryl Perini
Town Clerk

Adrian Jones
Town Manager

First Reading: November 3, 2025

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**Exhibit A: Amendment to Classes 1 – 8 in Appendix B of the
Current Business License Ordinance**

APPENDIX B
Classes 1 – 8: Business License Class Schedule by NAICS Codes

NAICS Sector/Subsector	Industry Sector	Class
11	Agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing	1
21	Mining	3
22	Utilities	1
31 - 33	Manufacturing	3
42	Wholesale trade	1
44 - 45	Retail trade	1
48 - 49	Transportation and warehousing	2
51	Information	4
52	Finance and insurance	7
53	Real estate and rental and leasing	6
54	Professional, scientific, and technical services	4
55	Management of companies	7
56	Administrative and support and waste management and remediation services	3
61	Educational services	3
62	Health care and social assistance	3
71	Arts, entertainment, and recreation	3
721	Accommodation	1
722	Food services and drinking places	2
81	Other services	3
Class 8	Subclasses	
23	Construction	8.1
482	Rail Transportation	8.2
517111	Wired Telecommunications Carriers	8.3
517112	Wireless Telecommunications Carriers (except Satellite)	8.3
517122	Agents for Wireless Telecommunications Services	8.3
5241	Insurance Carriers	8.4
5242	Insurance Brokers for non-admitted Insurance Carriers	8.4
713120	Amusement Parks and Arcades	8.51
713290	Nonpayout Amusement Machines	8.52
713990	All Other Amusement and Recreational Industries (pool tables)	8.6

2025 Class Schedule is based on a three-year average (2019 - 2021) of IRS statistical data.