

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-05**

**AN ORDINANCE CALLING FOR A REFERENDUM AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION TO DETERMIN WHETHER THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE MAY ISSUE TEMPORARY PERMITS FOR THE SUNDAY SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON-PRIMISES AND OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION IN THE CITY OF PICKENS**

**WHEREAS**, certain businesses located in the City of Pickens, South Carolina, desire to sell alcoholic beverages on Sundays so as to maintain competitiveness with other businesses in nearby and /or adjoining municipalities and counties that allow the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday for on-premises and/or off-premises consumption;

**WHEREAS**, the desire for a referendum on this issue is supported by South Carolina Retail Association

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. 61-6-2010(C) (4), municipalities are authorized to call for a referendum to be conducted at the next general election to answer the specific question set forth in the statute on the issue of sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday; and,

**WHEREAS**, it appears appropriate and proper to place the question before the registered voters of the City of Pickens to decide,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Pickens:

Council hereby request and directs the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Pickens County to place the following question verbatim on the ballot for City of Pickens registered voters to answer at the next general election (November 5th, 2019), and to cause a notice to publish in the newspaper of general circulation at least seven (7) days before the general election. The form of the question on the ballot shall be as follow:

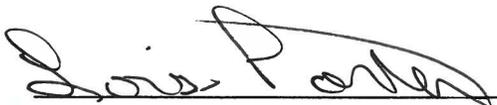
“Shall the South Carolina Department of Revenue be authorized to issue temporary permits in the City of Pickens to allow the possession, sale, and consumption of alcoholic liquors by drink to bona fide business establishments authorized to be licensed for consumption-on-premises sales and to allow the sale of beer and wine at permitted off-premises locations without regard to the days or hours of sales?”

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Attested:

First Reading 07/15/2019

Second Reading 08/05/2019

  
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Mayor Pro Tem

  
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Clerk to Council

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM

\_\_\_\_\_, City Attorney