



# City of Smyrna

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## Issue Sheet

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**WARD / COUNCILMEMBER:** City Wide

### **\$ IMPACT:**

#### **Agenda Title:**

Approval of Ordinance 2020-11 to amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Smyrna, Georgia by repealing Chapter 74, Peddlers and Solicitors, in its entirety and replacing it with a new chapter 74 "Peddlers and Solicitors" and authorizing the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.

### **ISSUE AND BACKGROUND:**

In January 2020, the City Clerk's Office had a conversation with Police Chief Joe Bennett regarding the procedures in place for the handling of peddlers and solicitors that applied for license with the City of Smyrna.

The previous Ordinance was written in 1977 and had applicants coming to the City Clerk's Office to file their application, then to the Police Department to have their background check, then back to the City Clerk's office to pick up their badge.

The new ordinance reviews the procedure of everything being done through the Police Department, removing the City Clerk's office from the process and allowing for the applicant to begin and complete the process through the Police Department. Additionally, it defines exemptions from the permit requirement, specific information that is required on the application, reasons for permit denial as well as the appeal process, permit suspension and revocation, the addition of solicitor route information as well as specific prohibitions.

**RECOMMENDATION / REQUESTED ACTION:** The City Clerk and Police Chief recommend approval of Ordinance 2020-11 to amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Smyrna, Georgia by repealing Chapter 74, Peddlers and Solicitors, in its entirety and replacing it with a new chapter 74 "Peddlers and Solicitors" and authorizing the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.