

Fees Authority Proposal

Resources considered:

Charters: South Burlington, Berlin, Williston, Springfield, St. Albans

Recommended by town staff

Proposed Language:

§ 117-106. Ordinances- Method of adoption and enforcement

(a) Ordinance-making authority granted to the Town by this charter and general law shall be exercised pursuant to the provisions of Subchapter 3 of this charter.

(b) The Town of Essex may adopt, amend, enforce, and repeal ordinances relating to any aspect of municipal concern for the peace, order, health, safety, comfort, protection, and general welfare of the Town and of its citizens.

(c) In addition to powers otherwise conferred upon it by law and this charter, the Town is authorized to adopt and enforce ordinances for the purpose of regulating, licensing, and fixing reasonable and necessary license fees for the following:

- (1) places of public resort, accommodation, assemblage, or amusement, whether indoor or outdoor;
- (2) places dispensing food and drink to the public, such as restaurants, bars, or inns;
- (3) theaters;
- (4) displays of fireworks;
- (5) public dances and musical performances;
- (6) itinerant vendors;
- (7) the exclusive occupancy of any specified portion of a public street or right-of-way;
- (8) the keeping of dogs or other pets;
- (9) other activities that the Town has the power to regulate or license by virtue of general law or this charter.