

CHAPTER 30  
CITY OF MAPLE LAKE

**ORDINANCE REGULATING PUBLIC DANCES**

30.01 **DEFINITIONS**

All dances held in this city hereafter shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statute 624.42-4 and any amendments thereto regulating the conduct of dances as heretofore or hereafter amended. The definitions of terms in the said act are hereby adopted, except that the term "public dance" shall be taken to apply to any place in which dancing may be or is carried on other than a private residence, and the term "public dance" shall be taken to apply to every dance held in a public dancing place, whether an admission fee is charged or not.

30.02 **FEES**

No person shall conduct a public dance in this city unless a permit shall have been procured therefor from the city clerk. The annual fee for such permits shall be set by resolution of the city council, provided the council may grant a permit without charge where it is satisfied that the giving of the dance is not a money making enterprise.

30.03 **PERMIT**

Any person or persons desiring a permit to hold or conduct a public dance in the city shall make application therefor on forms furnished by the city clerk. The application shall set forth the name and address of the person, persons, committee or organization which is to conduct the dance; time and place where such dance is to be held, and the area of the dance floor. The application shall also show affirmatively that each of the applicants is a person of good moral character and reputation in the community in which he/she lives, and that none of the applicants has been convicted of a felony, gross misdemeanor, or of violating any of the provisions of Minn. Stat. 624.42-54 and any amendments thereto.

30.04 **RESPONSIBILITIES**

The city clerk shall refer such application to the city council, which in its discretion may grant or refuse to grant the permit applied for. In case the permit be issued the same shall be posted in a public place in the dance hall described therein during the time the dance is being given, and the persons named in the permit shall be responsible under the law for the manner in which such dance is to be held and conducted.

30.05 **PENALTY**

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.