

**ORDINANCE NO. 1213**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 44, ARTICLE III (LODGERS' TAX) SECTION 44-125 (ADVISORY BOARD CREATED; COMPOSITION; DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS) OF THE TOWN OF SILVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE.**

**Sponsored by: Councilor Cynthia Ann Bettison**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Town of Silver City has determined that terms limits on appointees to the Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board will promote additional community involvement and the flow of new perspective and ideas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council believes that the revisions and deletions made herein are necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the Town;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SILVER CITY, GRANT COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**, that:

**CHAPTER 44, ARTICLE III (LODGERS' TAX) SECTION 44-125** is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**Sec. 44-125**

A. The governing body shall administer the lodgers' tax monies collected. The Mayor shall appoint, with the advice and consent of Council, a five-member advisory board with the following qualifications:

(1) Two members who are owners or operators of lodgings subject to occupancy tax within the municipality;

(2) Two members who are owners or operators of industries located within the municipality that primarily provide services or products to tourists;

(3) One member who is a resident of the municipality and represents the general public.

B. The terms of the board shall be staggered. All current terms of office shall terminate on December 31, 2012. Thereafter, two members shall be appointed for two year terms, and the

remaining three members shall be appoint for three year terms. Thereafter, all appointments shall be for three year terms.

C. The board shall advise the governing body on the expenditure of funds authorized under Section 44-126 for advertising, publicizing and promoting tourist attractions and facilities in the municipality and surrounding areas.

**PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED** by vote of the Council of the Town of Silver City, Grant County, New Mexico, this 11th day of September, 2012.

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TOWN OF SILVER CITY

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James R. Marshall, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Ann L. Mackie, Town Clerk