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1. The license of a massage business may be revoked or suspended, in addition to the fines provided for in Section 5.20.190, upon one of the following grounds:
2. A massage business license may be revoked or suspended after a public hearing if it is found that:
 1. The licensee has violated any provisions of this chapter;
 2. Any employee of the licensee, including a massage therapist, has engaged in any conduct at the licensee's premises which violates any provision of this chapter and the licensee knew or by due diligence should have known of such conduct;
 3. Any applicant for a massage business license has made a false statement on the application;
 4. A licensee has refused to allow any duly authorized police officer or county enforcement officer or health inspector to inspect the massage establishment premises;
 5. The premises of the massage establishment are at any time not in compliance with the City building, health or fire codes;
 6. The premises of the massage establishment are not in compliance with any of the conditions and restrictions set forth in §5.20.130;
 7. The license holder has committed an act(s) of fraud or deceit in the application for license, or renewal thereof, submitted to the Chief of Police;
 8. The license holder is engaged in the practice of massage under a false or assumed name, or is impersonating another massage therapist of a like or different name;
 9. The license holder has committed an act of fraudulent, false, misleading or deceptive advertising, or prescribing medicines, drugs, or practices any other licensed profession without legal authority therefore;
 10. The license holder permits acts of prostitution or solicitations for acts of prostitution to be performed within the premises or elsewhere or permits any procedure during the performance of services within or off the premises that are performed for the purpose of sexual arousal or gratification of any patron, or should be reasonably be expected to cause such result, or permits the use of trafficking of controlled substances or cannabis on the premises;
 11. The license holder performs an act of prostitution within the premises or without the premises or solicits an act or prostitution on or off the premises or performs services within or without the premises in such a manner for the purpose of sexual arousal or gratification of a patron, or should reasonably be expected to cause such result, or the licensee uses or is trafficking in controlled substances or cannabis;
 12. A license holder knowingly conducted massage activities in the city during a period of time when the license holder's license was suspended;
 13. A license holder is delinquent in payment to the City for ad valorem taxes or other taxes related to the massage therapy business.
3. When any license shall have been revoked for cause, no license shall be granted to any person for a period of five years thereafter for the conduct of a massage business in the premises described in the revoked license.

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