

**CITY OF SNOHOMISH
Snohomish, Washington**

ORDINANCE 2265

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SNOHOMISH, WASHINGTON,
AMENDING SNOHOMISH MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 5.52.043
ENTITLED “SOCIAL CARD GAMES – PROHIBITED”; PROVIDING
FOR SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE AND SUNSET DATE**

WHEREAS, state law (Chapter 9.46 RCW) provides regulations relating to gambling which include but are not limited to regulation of social card games; and

WHEREAS, RCW 9.46.295 empowers local governments to allow certain gambling activities while also prohibiting other types of gambling activities;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SNOHOMISH,
WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. SMC Section 5.52.043 entitled “Social card games – prohibited” is amended to be entitled “Social card games – prohibited – exception” and shall read as follows:

5.52.043 Social card games – prohibited – exception. Social card games as defined by RCW 9.46.0282 and SMC 5.52.020(L) are prohibited within the City of Snohomish – Exception: Provided, however, this section shall not apply to social card games conducted or operated by a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization pursuant to RCW 9.46.0311 and RCW 9.46.0351 in their own leased or owned premises.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this ordinance be preempted by state or federal law or regulation, such a decision or preemption shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this ordinance or its application to any other persons or circumstances.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective five days after adoption and publication by summary and shall automatically sunset and terminate and be repealed without further action of the City Council effective April 30, 2014.

ADOPTED by the City Council and **APPROVED** by the Mayor this 21st day of January, 2014.

CITY OF SNOHOMISH

By _____
MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By _____
TORCHIE COREY, CITY CLERK

By _____
GRANT K. WEED, CITY ATTORNEY