

Alcohol Advisory Committee
Council Chambers at City Hall
March 12, 2018
4:00pm

Agenda

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Review and Motion to Adopt Minutes
 - A) February 12, 2018 Minutes
3. Discussion of Requirement that licensees obtain and maintain liquor liability and/ or commercial general liability insurance.
4. Discussion of Amend Sec 6-8 to bring City into accord with state law re: special event permitting
5. Questions and Comments from the Community
6. Announce Next Meeting- March 12th at 4:00pm
7. Adjourn

Alcohol Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2018

A meeting of the Alcohol Advisory Board was held on February 12, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Patrice Jackson, Jim Thibodeau, Shubert Lane, Laura Wheaton and Matt Hube. Also present was City Clerk Sue Starling and City Attorney Cain Smith.

The minutes from the August 14, 2017, meeting were presented and adopted.

The first item for discussion was regarding an addition to the ordinance to allow for a low volume alcohol license. Initially, the proposal included low volume licenses for package sales (B & C) as well as low volume licenses for per drink sales (D, E & F). City Attorney made a presentation on the matter. Discussion ensued and it was decided that the low volume license for package sales would be dropped from any proposal. City Attorney Smith explained that the current fee for an alcohol license is \$1,425.00 per year and that would be reduced to \$750.00 per year for a low volume license. He also explained that the definition of "low volume" is deliveries of alcohol that is less than an average of \$1,000.00 per month in cost. Shubert Lane made a motion to recommend to the council to allow low volume licenses for a period of one year and then have a review of the issue. The motion was not seconded. James Peery of Shenanigan's suggested that a per unit cost instead of the proposed average \$1,000.00 per month might be more fair. A motion was made by Laura Wheaton to recommend that the council adopt an ordinance allowing for low volume sales licenses only for D, E & F licenses. Jim Thibodeau seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

The next item for discussion was amending section 6-9 to come into compliance with Michael's Law which is the new state law regarding who is eligible to work in bars and to frequent bars. City Attorney Smith made a presentation on the matter and explained that the proposed changes to the current section of the ordinance will make the city ordinance come into compliance with the new state law. A motion was made by Matt Hube to recommend the adoption of the proposed change as it was made by City Attorney Cain Smith. Shubert Lane seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

The next item was questions and comments from the community. There were no questions or comments from the community.

The next Alcohol Advisory Board meeting was set for March 12, at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Sec 6-5 Application procedure; contents of application; contents to be furnished under oath

(d) *Additional Data*

(4) *Proof of Insurance*

(a) *Proof of dram shop insurance.* Applicants seeking a Class D, E, or F alcoholic beverage license shall file with their application a certificate of liquor liability insurance (dram shop), in effect for the license period and issued by an insurer required to be licensed pursuant to state law, providing an annual aggregate policy limit for dram shop insurance of not less than \$1,000,000.00 per policy year. A 30-day notice of cancellation in favor of the City of Statesboro must be endorsed to the policy and attached to the certificate.

(b) *Proof of general liability insurance.* Applicants seeking a Class B, C, D, E, or F alcoholic beverage license shall file with their application a certificate of liability insurance, in effect for the license period and issued by an insurer required to be licensed pursuant to state law, providing at least \$1,000,000.00 in commercial general liability insurance coverage. A 30-day notice of cancellation in favor of the City of Statesboro must be endorsed to the policy and attached to the certificate.

Sec 6-19 Compliance, violations, penalties.

(e) *Suspension for failure to maintain insurance.* Upon notice of insurance cancellation received pursuant to Sec 6-9(d)(4), the City Clerk shall suspend any license(s) acquired under said policy. License shall be reinstated upon receipt of proof that required insurance has been renewed in compliance with aforementioned sub section. **Possibly revoke upon two notices of cancellation within a calendar year???**

Sec. 6-8 Regulations pertaining to certain classes of licenses only.

(d) (3) Temporary special event license

a. A temporary license may be issued to any person, firm or corporation, (or alternately any City licensed caterer) for a period not to exceed three (3) days for an approved special event. The person, firm or corporation must make application and pay the fee that may be required by this chapter and shall be required to comply with all the general ordinances and regulations for an on-premises consumption. Said temporary licenses may be applied for and issued to any one (1) person, firm or corporation up to six (6) times per calendar year. The applicant seeking a temporary license must also obtain a state-issued temporary special event permit.

b. The special event must meet the following criterion prior to the issuance of a license to sell alcoholic beverages:

(1) The special event must receive approval from the city police department on crowd control, traffic control, and security measures.

(2) The location at which the special event is to take place must be properly zoned and approved by the code enforcement officer.

(3) The premises at which the special event is to take place must be approved by the code enforcement officer.

(4) The application must be presented to Mayor and Council and approved at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Statesboro City Council.

c. At least one (1) employee or volunteer of the special event licensee, working the special event in any position dispensing, selling, serving, taking orders or mixing alcoholic beverages shall be required to obtain a sever certification pursuant to section 6-10 for the special event.

d. The code enforcement officer or the chief of police or his designee may immediately revoke any temporary license for a special event if it is determined continued alcohol sales may endanger the health, welfare or safety of the public.

e. As a condition on the issuance of a temporary special event license, the licensee shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from any and all claims, demands or causes of action which may arise from activities associated with the special event.