



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#16-1235

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: November 1, 2016

TITLE: Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale Relating to the Review and Suspension of Permits that Authorize the Extension of the Hours of Operation for Businesses Selling, Delivering, Serving, or Permitting Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt an ordinance amending Section 5-29(b) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale modifying the process for review and suspension of permits that authorize the extension of the hours of operation for businesses selling, delivering, serving, or permitting consumption of alcoholic beverages.

Background

The amendment to the ordinance adds provisions to Section 5-29(b) of the Code of Ordinances for the purposes of determining compliance by an applicant with state law and county and city ordinances at the time of application for and/or renewal of a permit, including inspection of premises by the City's code enforcement officers.

The ordinance, as amended, states that the ability to sell, offer for sale, deliver, or permit to be consumed upon the premises any alcoholic beverage beyond the permitted hours of sale, consumption and services specified in subsection 5-29 (a) is declared to be and is a privilege that can be denied to any vendor who, by their conduct and record, have demonstrated indifference for safety and welfare of others or disrespect for the ordinances of the City.

The City Manager, or designee, shall review the application and applicable state, county, and city records, to determine if the vendor is found in compliance with the provisions of state law and county and city ordinances. If the applicant is in compliance, then the City Manager, or designee, may issue to the vendor to remain open between the hours of 12:01 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. on weekdays or between 12:01 a.m. and 3:00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The City is authorized to make such investigation and inspection of the property on which the vendor will operate as the City may determine necessary in order to determine that the property and business operation are in

compliance with the provisions of state law and county and city ordinance. At that time the City Manager may either grant or deny the applicant a permit.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections:

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Neighborhood Enhancement Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 7: Be a well-positioned City within the global economic and tourism markets of the South Florida region, leveraging our airports, port, and rail connections.
- Objective 2: Facilitate a responsive and proactive business climate.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Here*.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Ordinance

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