



Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Title

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 3 (“Alcoholic Liquor Dealers”), Article 4 (“Term and Classification”), Section 3-4-2 (“Classification and Number of Liquor Licenses and Fees”) and Article 8 (“List of Licenses For Each License Class”), Section 3-8-1 (“Number of Licenses Permitted to be Issued Per License Class”) and Section 3-8-2 (“Licenses by Name and Address Per License”) of the Oak Park Village Code for the Issuance of a Entertainment Club Class D-9 Liquor License to Comedy Plex, LLC, DBA Comedy Plex

Overview

The proposed Ordinance amends certain provisions of the Village Code regarding the Entertainment Club Class D-9 Liquor License and grants a Class D-9 license to Comedy Plex, LLC, DBA Comedy Plex.

Recommendation

Adopt the Ordinance.

Background

Comedy Plex, LLC, DBA Comedy Plex (“Comedy Plex”) seeks certain amendments to the Entertainment Club Class D-9 liquor license. The proposed Ordinance contains certain amendments to the Class D-9 liquor license classification, which include the following: (1) the sale of non-alcoholic beverages must be available at all times that alcoholic beverages are sold; (2) a prohibition that no persons under the age of 21 shall be allowed into an entertainment club without the supervision of a parent or legal guardian; (3) prepackaged snacks must be available for consumption when alcoholic beverages are sold; (4) no more than two alcoholic beverages shall be served to a person at any time; and (5) all manager, supervisors, sellers and servers of alcoholic beverages are required to have completed beverage alcohol sellers and servers education and training (BASSET).

Comedy Plex proposes to operate a comedy club at 1128 Lake Street in the Village that will offer high-quality comedy shows to downtown Oak Park. Comedy Plex will also offer theater class training. Comedy Plex plans to offer beer, wine, spirits and mixed alcoholic beverages, and packaged snacks for sale.

Comedy Plex presented its application to the Liquor Control Review Board (“LCRB”) at the LCRB’s May 3, 2023, special meeting. The LCRB unanimously voted to recommend that the Village Board adopt the Ordinance amending the Class D-9 liquor license classification and that Comedy Plex be granted a Class D-9 license.

Fiscal Impact

Potential increase in alcoholic liquor dealer's tax.

DEI Impact

N/A

Alternatives

Not adopt the Ordinance

Previous Board Action

See the background above.

Citizen Advisory Commission Action

N/A

Anticipated Future Actions/Commitments

N/A

Intergovernmental Cooperation Opportunities

N/A