



Agenda Cover Memorandum

Meeting Date: June 19, 2017

Meeting Type: COW (Committee of the Whole) City Council Budget Workshop

Item Title: (Request to waive first reading) and Approve modification of 12-6-20 to the Municipal Code regarding BASSET training

Action Requested: Approval For Discussion Feedback Requested For Your Information

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Background:

The City recently received a request from a local liquor establishment inquiring about BASSET training. Currently, BASSET training is only referred to in the Section referring to Temporary Liquor Licenses.

I reached out to Attorney Tappendorf who provided the following information:

BASSET is controlled by the state of Illinois, so at a minimum, they must meet state standards. According to Illinois State Law, BASSET training is required by "alcohol servers." Alcohol servers are defined as:

1. Persons who sell or serve open containers; and
2. Persons who check IDs for the purpose of open containers or for entry into licensed premises where open containers are served/sold.

So, under state law, package liquor businesses are not subject to the BASSET training requirements unless they also allow consumption of alcohol on the premises. In short, a grocery store does not need to have its cashiers BASSET trained. But, if they carry a "café" endorsement, then their servers would have to be BASSET trained because they would fall under state requirements.

According to the Illinois Liquor Control Commissions website, by July 1, 2018, all on premise alcohol servers (and those required to check identification for alcohol service) will be mandated to take BASSET training.

RECOMMENDATION: (Request to waive first reading) and Approve modification of 12-6-20 to the Municipal Code regarding BASSET training

ATTACHMENTS: DRAFT ORDINANCE

CITY OF PARK RIDGE
ORDINANCE NO. 2017- _____

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 12, CHAPTER 6
OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF PARK RIDGE
TO REQUIRE BASSET TRAINING FOR ALL SERVERS**

WHEREAS, the City of Park Ridge is an Illinois home rule municipal corporation organized and operating pursuant to Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, the City has adopted certain liquor license regulations designed to protect the health, safety and welfare, which regulations are codified at Article 12, Chapter 6 of the Park Ridge Municipal Code (“Liquor Code”); and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Liquor Control Act, 235 ILCS 5/1-1. et seq. (“Act”), describes the minimum regulation of liquor license establishments in the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-1 of the Act, 235 ILCS 5/4-1, empowers the Mayor and City Council to establish such conditions, regulations and restrictions upon the issuance of local liquor licenses not inconsistent with law as the public good and convenience may require; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to update and revise the City’s Liquor Code to require the training of all persons who serve alcoholic liquors for on-premises consumption, as described in this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Park Ridge, Cook County, Illinois, pursuant to its home rule authority provided under Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970 as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 12-6-20, “Conduct of Employees and Agents; Supervisor on Premises” of Chapter 6, “Alcoholic Liquors,” of Article 12, “Businesses and Occupations,” of the Park Ridge Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding a new paragraph “F” as follows:

F. All Licensees must be in compliance with the “Beverage Alcohol Sellers and Servers Education and Training” (BASSET) state law and regulations. It is unlawful for alcohol servers to serve or sell, or permit any person to serve or sell, alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption in a licensed establishment unless that alcohol

server has completed the BASSET program and maintains a current BASSET certification in accordance with the requirements of state law.

SECTION 2: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication according to law.

SECTION 3: The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said Ordinance in pamphlet form according to law.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Park Ridge, Illinois this 19th day of June, 2017.

VOTE:

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

Approved by me this
_____ day of _____, 2017.

Marty Maloney, Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk