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SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSES

PURPOSE:

- 1. To establish the basis upon which the City Commission will grant Club, Class B or Class C liquor licenses, and
- 2. To set forth the procedures for approval and review of said licenses.

BACKGROUND:

The Liquor Control Commission of the State of Michigan restricts the number of Class G-Hotel, Class C and Tavern Liquor licenses for consumption of liquor on the premises to one license per 1500 population; in all cities, except those in counties of one million population or over.

Because there now exists more of the above-stated type licenses than the State quota allows, the only change that can be made is a transfer from a Tavern to a Class C license.

POLICY:

WHEREAS, Section 17 of the Michigan Liquor Control Act provides that all applications for licenses to sell beer and wine or spirits for consumption on the premises, except in counties of one million population or over, shall be approved by the local legislative body before being granted; Now,

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BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that it is the policy of the City Commission to refrain from granting any further Club, Class B-Hotel or Class C liquor licenses unless it is considered by the City Commission to be in the public interest.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all Club, Tavern, Class B and Class C Licenses shall be reviewed annually by the City Commission commencing three months prior to the succeeding license year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the licensee shall have held a tavern license for at least three years before such license shall be considered to be reclassified to a Class C license unless the City Commission deems that there are unusual and extraordinary circumstances warranting such transfer.