



# City of Blaine Anoka County, Minnesota

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## Legislation Text

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**ADMINISTRATION** - *Cathy Sorensen, City Clerk*

### SECOND READING

#### **AMENDING CHAPTER 6 - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ARTICLE II. - INTOXICATING LIQUOR AND 3.2 PERCENT MALT LIQUOR, SEC. 6-38 - KINDS OF LIQUOR LICENSES**

At the May 11, 2017, Council workshop, staff shared that with the increasing popularity of craft beer, staff is seeing requests from brewers to serve their craft beer at special events. This amendment, if approved, would allow a brewery the ability to obtain a temporary on-sale liquor license to serve malt liquor in connection with a social event sponsored by the brewery. First reading was held at the June 1 Council meeting.

Currently City Code only allows temporary on-sale liquor licenses to be issued to clubs or charitable, religious or nonprofit organizations. In 2016 City Council approved an amendment to expand the definition of a temporary on-sale license to include intoxicating liquor as well as 3.2 malt liquor and no concerns have occurred as a result of that addition. State Statute does allow a municipality the ability to issue a temporary on-sale malt liquor license to a brewer who manufactures fewer than 3,500 barrels of malt liquor in a year in connection with a social event. In anticipation of Invictus and possibly other brewers who may wish to hold special events and serve their beer, staff is proposing that temporary on-sale liquor licenses include small brewers. Staff is also clarifying language to include wine as a temporary license as originally intended.

The same terms for clubs and nonprofit organizations would also apply to a brewer; they would have to provide proof of required liquor liability insurance, name the City as additional insured, and abide by the limits on the number of days allowed: no more than 12 days in one calendar year and no license to exceed four consecutive days. As with all temporary licenses staff would ensure that any event include food service.

Hold second reading and adopt the proposed ordinance.

**THE CITY OF BLAINE DOES ORDAIN:** (Added portions are underscored and deleted portions are shown in brackets with overstrike.)

Sec. 6-38. - Kinds of liquor licenses.

The city council is authorized to issue the following licenses and permits, up to the number specified in section 6-36. All provisions of this chapter that apply to a retail liquor license shall apply to a license issued under this subdivision unless the provision is explicitly inconsistent with this subdivision.

- (1) 3.2 percent malt liquor on-sale licenses, which may be issued only to restaurants, hotels, clubs, bowling centers with the incidental sale of tobacco and soft drinks.
- (2) 3.2 percent malt liquor off-sale license.
- (3) Temporary on-sale intoxicating, wine and 3.2 percent malt liquor licenses, which may be issued only to a club, charitable, religious or nonprofit organization, or a licensed brewer who meets State Statute definition of a brewer in connection with a social event sponsored by the licensee. Any temporary license issued under this section shall be for a period not to exceed four consecutive days and the city council shall issue no more than 12 days' worth of temporary licenses to any one organization in one calendar year, or that which is allowed by state statute as amended from time to time.
  - a. A temporary on-sale intoxicating, wine or 3.2 percent malt liquor license may authorize on-sales on premises other than the premises the organization owns or permanently occupies.
  - b. The license will be issued for a specific date, time, and place.
  - c. No license issued under this subdivision will be valid unless first approved by the commissioner of public safety and the chief of police or their designee.

**INTRODUCED** and read in full this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2017.

**PASSED** by the City Council of the City of Blaine this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.