



City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2018-0600

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Scott Cope Director, Building Department
DATE: January 7, 2019
SUBJECT: Liquor inspection ordinance

REQUEST:

City Council is requested to approve, for second reading, the repeal of Section 6-1 of Chapter 6 Alcoholic Liquor pertaining to the annual inspections by Building and Fire staff of premises holding a Class C liquor licensed in the city.

BACKGROUND:

For many years, the ordinance has required the City Clerk to cause investigations to be made of each class C liquor license operating within the city. Each year the Building department would schedule inspections and collect a \$550.00 fee for the annual investigation. Building, Ordinance, and Fire department inspectors would then do a joint inspection, looking for code violations on the scheduled date and time.

A recent review of this inspection process questioned the value and need for these inspections. The Fire Department's Fire Prevention inspectors have a schedule to inspect these same businesses each year. This is in addition to the annual liquor license inspection required by ordinance. Therefore, staff has determined that the liquor license inspection is redundant and the requirement for inspection of Class C liquor licenses can be removed from the ordinance. This will save our businesses and city staff time and money.

Council approve first reading on the ordinance on December 10, 2018

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the repeal of Section 6-1 of Chapter 6 at the second reading.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		

Department Director		
Mayor		
Deputy Clerk		