

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** The Honorable Mayor and City Council  
**FROM:** James P. Kozik, AICP Director of Planning and Economic Development  
**DATE:** August 23, 2021  
**SUBJECT:** **Amendment to Section 6-87.5 (d) of the Wheaton City Code/Central Athletic Complex/Wheaton Park District**

### Request

Approval of an ordinance amending Sec. 6-87.5 (d) of the Wheaton City Code pertaining to the specific areas where an Outdoor Special Event Liquor License may be issued.

### Background Information

Section 6-87.5 (d) of the City Code (Outdoor Special Event Liquor Licenses) defines specific areas where such a license is allowed. To accommodate the use of the Central Athletic Complex (located at the southeast corner of Illinois and Main Street) as a location for an outdoor special event that involves the sale of alcohol, the Park District is seeking an amendment to subsection (d) to include the Central Athletic Complex as an authorized location.

### Proposed Liquor Code Amendment

The proposed amendment would read as follows. The new language is shown in red.

“(d) The retail sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor authorized by an outdoor special event liquor license shall be limited to the downtown Wheaton area as defined as Seminary Avenue to the north, Naperville Road to the east, Illinois Street to the south, and West Street to the west, or on the DuPage County Fairgrounds property located at 2015 Manchester Road, **the Central Athletic Complex** or Cosley Zoo located at 1356 Gary Avenue.”

### Recommendation

On August 18, 2021, the Liquor Commission met and unanimously voted to recommend approval of the proposed amendment to include the Central Athletic Complex as an authorized location for an Outdoor Special Event Liquor License.

Attached for Council review is an Ordinance amending Section 6-87.5 (d) of the Wheaton City Code to include the Central Athletic Complex as an authorized location for an Outdoor Special Event Liquor License.



**ORDINANCE NO. O-2021-**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WHEATON LIQUOR CONTROL  
ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 6 - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES  
SEC. 6-87.5 (d) OUTDOOR SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE**

WHEREAS, The City of Wheaton, Illinois (“City”) is an Illinois home rule municipality pursuant to the provisions of Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution, 1970, and as such the City may exercise any power or perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined it to be in the best interests of the City and its residents to consider certain amendments to the Wheaton Liquor Control Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Wheaton, DuPage County, Illinois, pursuant to its home rule powers, as follows:

Section 1: That Sec. 6-87.5 (d) is hereby repealed and rescinded in its entirety and replaced with a new Section 6-87.5 (d) which shall read as follows:

“Sec. 6-87.5 Outdoor special event liquor license.

- (d) The retail sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor authorized by an outdoor special event liquor license shall be limited to the downtown Wheaton area as defined as Seminary Avenue to the north, Naperville Road to the east, Illinois Street to the south, and West Street to the west, the DuPage County Fairgrounds property located at 2015 Manchester Road, **the Central Athletic Complex** or Cosley Zoo located at 1356 Gary Avenue.

Section 2: All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, in conflict with these provisions are hereby repealed.

Section 3: This ordinance shall become effective from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form in the manner prescribed by law.

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Roll Call Vote

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Passed:

Published: