

**LACONIA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
JUNE 13, 2022**

**STAFF REPORT
AGENDA ITEM 21.E.
ORDINANCE 2022-161-25
AMENDING CHAPTER 161, LICENSING, TO ADD A NEW SECTION – 161-25
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

Discussion: Councilor Felch has requested this item be placed on the Council's agenda.

A request was received from Anthony Santagate to keep the Weirs Beach area open until 2:00 am for business. At their May 3, 2022 meeting the Planning Board approved an extension of entertainment hours until 2:00 am for Fridays, Saturdays and during special events such as Motorcycle Week, Biketemberfest or similar events. This approval had no effect on the hours for serving alcohol.

Under State law, RSA 179:17, the Liquor Commission sets hours for alcohol sales as between 6:00 am and 1:00 am, 7 days a week. A licensee may sell alcohol until 2:00 am if the local legislative body (the City Council) adopts an Ordinance authorizing such sales.

Proposed Ordinance 2022-161-25 is attached for the Council's consideration.

Recommendation:

Report submitted by: Scott Myers, City Manager

Proposed motions:

"I move to waive a reading of this Ordinance in its entirety and to read by title only."

"I move a first reading of Ordinance 2022– 161-25."

"I move to schedule a Public Hearing on June 27, 2022, during the regular City Council meeting to gather input prior to any action being taken."