

**LACONIA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
JUNE 27, 2022**

**STAFF REPORT
AGENDA ITEM 22.A.
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. At their June 13, 2022 meeting the City Council conducted a first reading of Ordinance 2022-161-25 and voted to schedule a Public Hearing for this evening's meeting.

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 Motorcycle Week. 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 second reading of Ordinance 2022–161-25."

"I move to approve Ordinance 2022-161-25 amending Chapter 161, Licensing, to add a new section – 161-25 , Alcoholic Beverages."