

Ordinance No. 869
2nd Series

**An Ordinance Amending Alexandria City Code Chapter 3,
Adding Section 3.19 Relating to
Junior Hockey League On-Sale Liquor Licensing**

WHEREAS, Chapter 3 of the Alexandria City Code relates to liquor licensing within the City of Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Laws 2022, Chapter 86, Article 2, Section 7 the Minnesota Legislature gave the City of Alexandria the discretion to issue an on-sale wine license and an on-sale malt liquor license to a person who is the owner of a junior league hockey team or to a person holding a concessions or management contract with the city or the team owner for beverage sales at the Runestone Community Center; and

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Alexandria, Minnesota deems that regulating the issuance of the on-sale licenses authorized by this law serves public health and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further deems it to be in the public interest to amend City Code Chapter 3 to allow for the issuance of the junior hockey league on-sale liquor licenses now authorized by this law.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council for the City of Alexandria, Minnesota hereby ordains that Alexandria City Code Chapter 3 is hereby amended by adding the following.

Section 3.19. Junior Hockey League On-Sale License.

Subd. 1. The City of Alexandria may issue an on-sale wine license and an on-sale malt liquor license to the owner of a junior league hockey team or a person holding a concessions or management contract with the city or the team owner for wine or malt liquor beverage sales at the community center currently known as the Runestone Community Center. For the purposes of this ordinance, a "junior league hockey" shall mean competitive ice hockey for players from 16-21 years of age, and it specifically excludes competitive ice hockey sanctioned by the Minnesota State High School League.

Subd. 2. A junior hockey league on-sale license issued under this section authorizes the dispensing of wine or malt liquor only to persons at least 21 years of age attending junior league hockey games at the community center and for consumption on the premises only during said games. For these purposes, the "premises" shall mean only those portions of the interior of the community center set forth in the applicant's plans as approved by the City Council. "Games" shall mean only those games listed on the applicant's schedule submitted with its application and approved by the City Council.

Subd. 3. Applicants for an on-sale junior league hockey on-sale license shall be subject to any and all other applicable state laws and ordinances, including by not limited to Minn. Stat. Chapter 340A and City Code §§ 3.01; 3.02; and 3.07, Subds. 1, 2, 3.1, 5.1.a.-5.1.g., 5.1.j.-5.1.k., 5.1.n, 5.1.p.-5.1.r., 5.3-5.4, 6, 8, 9, 11.1-11.3, 11.6-11.12, 11.15, and 15.

Subd. 4. The application for an on-sale junior league hockey license under this section shall be accompanied by the applicant's plans showing the locations within the community center where wine or malt liquor will be dispensed, the security and storage measures the applicant will take to ensure compliance with this ordinance and state law, the schedule of games during which wine or malt liquor will be

dispensed, the applicant's sanctioning body and league, and any other information requested by the City Council.

Subd. 5. No wine or malt liquor may be dispensed under a junior league hockey on-sale license after the puck drops to start the third period of any hockey game covered by a license issued under this section.

Subd. 6. When not in use, any wine, malt liquor, and related products must be securely stored in a locked area designated by the community center's manager or other person designated by the City Council.

Subd. 7. License Fees.

1. The license fee for junior league hockey on-sale license shall be \$375.00 for a wine license and \$375.00 for a malt liquor license.
2. Each application for a junior hockey league on-sale license shall be accompanied by a receipt from the City Treasurer for payment in full of the license fee and the fixed investigation fee required under § 3.07, Subd. 8.1, if any. All fees shall be paid into the General Fund. If an application for a license is rejected, the Treasurer shall refund the amount paid as a license fee.
3. Term. Each junior league hockey on-sale license shall be issued for the period specified in the application only.
4. No transfer of a junior league hockey on-sale license shall be permitted from person to person without complying without City Council approval and the transferee's compliance with the requirements of any original license.

This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

Adopted by the City Council for the City of Alexandria, Minnesota this 11th day of August, 2022 by the following vote:

YES: FRANZEN, THALMAN, ALLEN, BENSON, WIENER

NO: NONE

ABSENT: NONE


Bobbie Osterberg, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Marty Schultz, City Administrator