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MEMORANDUM

TO: Augusta-Richmond County Commission
FROM: Planning & Development Department
DATE: April 29, 2025
SUBJECT: Compliance Review and Recommendation – Tiffany's Eatery (828 Broad Street)

This memo provides a compliance review of Tiffany's Eatery, located at 828 Broad Street, in regard to their alcohol license and business operations. The review includes an overview of licensing status, operating practices, relevant ordinance violations, and gross revenue performance related to the statutory requirement for food-to-alcohol sales ratio.

Alcohol Ordinance

Sec. 6-2-3 – Sale a Privilege, Not a Right

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as granting any individual the right to sell alcoholic beverages. The manufacture, sale, and distribution of alcoholic beverages is declared to be a **privilege** in the State of Georgia and in Augusta-Richmond County.

Business Overview

Business Name: Tiffany's Eatery **Address:** 828 Broad Street, Augusta, GA

Licenses Held:

- Business License Classifications:
 - NAICS 722211 Limited-Service Restaurant
 - NAICS 7224 Drinking Places
- Alcohol License:
 - Class E Liquor (Consumption on Premises)
 - Class A Beer (Consumption on Premises)
 - Class C Wine (Consumption on Premises)

Operating Hours

Operating hours are vary according to Alpha Louis (as of April 21, 2025), there is no set schedule.

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Acknowledgement of Complaints and Concerns from Sheriffs Office

Issue	Code/Ordinance Reference		
Safety Concerns	Ordinance 3-3-25		
Indoor Smoking	Ordinance 7622		
Door Cover Charge	Ordinance 6-2-52 (<i>Requires certification from Fire Marshal</i>)		
Loitering	Ordinance 3-7-31		
Restaurant Classification Compliance	Ordinances 6-2-2 and 6-2-52		
After-Hour Alcohol Service	Ordinance 6-2-14		
Closing Time Violation	Sheriff's Office Report – March 15, 2025: Alcohol service documented after 3:00 AM		
Gross Revenue Requirement (50% Food Sales)	See financial data below		

Gross Revenue Summary

2024 and Y-T-D Sales Performance (Initial Reporting)

Month Food Sales Alcohol Sales Total Sales % of Sales from Food

June	\$2,868.50	\$8,478.00	\$11,346.50	25%
July	\$13,851.13	\$21,853.71	\$35,704.84	38%
August	\$17,030.00	\$10,109.95	\$27,139.95	62%
September	\$9,698.93	\$6,497.00	\$16,195.93	59%
October	\$3,689.00	\$1,053.00	\$4,742.00	77%

Excise Sales Reported with Alcohol

Month	Food Sales	Alcohol Sales	Total Sales	% of Sales from Food
November	\$3,178.22	\$2,651.00	\$5,829.22	54%
December	\$3,178.75	\$5,328.88	\$8,507.63	37%
January	\$14,362.55	\$5,797.37	\$20,159.92	71% (includes door cover)
February	\$20,272.32	\$9,772.02	\$30,044.34	67% (includes door cover)

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Recommendation

In light of the above findings and consistent noncompliance with key ordinances and revenue thresholds, **the Planning & Development Department recommends the revocation of Tiffany's Eatery's Sunday alcohol sales privileges**, as originally approved during the Augusta Commission Meeting held on November 19, 2024.