

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD



BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

DATE OF MEETING: March 26, 2024

To: Village President and Board of Trustees

Through: Napoleon Haney, Village Manager

From: Amy Zukowski, Director of Finance

Topic: Class 1 Liquor Licenses – The Ridgewood

PURPOSE

The Ridgewood recently had a change in ownership and the new owner submitted the required application for a Class 1 liquor license for the location at 2059 Ridge Road. A Class 1 liquor license allows for the retail sale of any alcoholic liquor for on and off premises consumption with or without food. This change in ownership requires an ordinance restoring the number of Class 1 liquor licenses to four (4) upon surrender of the current liquor license.

PROCESS

R. Scott Donkel, LLC, had previously been approved for a Class 1 liquor license at the November 8, 2022 Board of Trustees meeting for the location at 2059 Ridge Road. At that time, the limited liability corporation was owned by Scott Donkel. The license was renewed as of May 1, 2023, but due to construction delays, the business has not yet opened.

Scott Donkel recently notified the Village that he has transferred all of his ownership interest in R. Scott Donkel, LLC to his son Patrick Donkel. The Homewood Municipal Code requires that when more than a five percent interest in an entity issued a liquor license is transferred to another person not listed on the current liquor license, the current licensee must surrender that license and the new owner must reapply for a liquor license.

Patrick Donkel has submitted all of the required documents for the liquor license application and is anticipating opening The Ridgewood in the near future.

OUTCOME

Approval of this request will enable The Ridgewood to offer more options to their dining patrons.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

- **Funding Source:** N/A
- **Budgeted Amount:** N/A
- **Cost:** N/A

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LEGAL REVIEW

Not required

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION

Pass an ordinance amending the Table of the Number of Liquor License Limitations by Class to restore the allowed number of Class 1 liquor licenses for The Ridgewood location at 2059 Ridge Road.

ATTACHMENT(S)

Ordinance