

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD



BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

DATE OF MEETING: March 10, 2026

To: Village President and Board of Trustees

Through: Napoleon Haney, Village Manager

From: Amy Zukowski, Director of Finance

Topic: Liquor license request

PURPOSE

The Village received a request from Bergstein's NY Deli for a Class 7B liquor license for their location at 18064 Martin Avenue. A Class 7B liquor license allows the retail sale of beer and wine for on-premises consumption. No more than 25% of sales can be from alcohol sales. The Liquor Commissioner supports issuing the requested license.

PROCESS

Bergstein's NY Deli opened in April 2024. The request for a liquor license is part of Bergstein's effort to expand their business and enhance their role as a community gathering place. Bergstein's is interested in hosting family-friendly events such as trivia nights, open mic nights, and other small community gatherings. If the Board is in favor of this request, staff should be directed to begin the liquor license application process.

A Class 7B liquor license allows the retail sale of beer and wine for on-premises consumption at an establishment primarily engaged in serving food prepared on-site in a fully equipped kitchen with food service seating at tables or counters. No more than 25% of sales in a 12-month period can be from alcohol sales.

After successfully completing all of the steps required for obtaining a Village of Homewood liquor license, an ordinance to increase the number of allowed Class 7B liquor licenses for Bergstein's NY Deli will be presented at a Board meeting for approval.

OUTCOME

Approval of this request will enable Bergstein's Deli 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

After discussion, and if the Board is in favor of granting the request for a liquor license, staff should be directed to prepare an ordinance to increase the allowed number of Class 7B liquor licenses for Bergstein's NY Deli located at 18064 Martin Avenue. The ordinance will be agendized at a future Board meeting, once the petitioner successfully completes the application requirements for a Village of Homewood liquor license.

ATTACHMENT(S)

Letter