

**ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM MEMO  
REGULAR MEETING**

**SUBJECT:** Ordinance Creating an Additional Class R-2 Liquor License for Barrio Agave LLC D/B/A Barrio Agave at 1310 N 7th Street

**Staff Contact:** City Clerk, Rose Huéramo

**Summary:** The liquor license request for Barrio Agave LLC, D/B/A Barrio Agave, located at 1310 N 7th St., was approved by the Council on May 22, 2023, with a favorable vote of 6-0 (1 absent). However, the following mandatory step of obtaining a State Liquor License faced setbacks as the application was rejected twice by the State for undisclosed reasons. As a result, the owners decided not to pursue renewal of the liquor license by the January 31st deadline, leading to an automatic void. Since then, Mayor Bearrows and I have been actively working with the owners to address the challenges and help them obtain their State Liquor License.

The restaurant's liquor classification is a:

*Class R-2 licenses shall authorize the retail sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises by restaurants with no bar. Further, the class R-2 license shall provide for the retail sale of packaged alcoholic liquor providing that said retail sales of such liquor shall not exceed ten percent of the total sales of all alcoholic beverages. The annual license fee for the year commencing January 31st of each year.*

The Liquor Commissioner, John Bearrows, has reviewed the request and has no objection to the transaction.

**Funding Sources:**

Source:	Budgeted Amount:	Proposed Expenditure:
N/A		

**Strategic Plan Goal Application:** Supporting small businesses in their efforts to obtain the necessary licensing, we demonstrate our commitment to enabling entrepreneurship and economic growth within our community.

**Recommendation:** Approve an Ordinance Amending Section 6-46 of the Municipal Code of the City of Rochelle to Create One Class R-2 Liquor License for the business Barrio Agave LLC d/b/a/ Barrio Agave at 1310 N. 7<sup>th</sup> St.