

COUNCIL ITEM AGENDA REQUEST FORM

Meeting Date: 06/05/2025 **Agenda Section:** Old Business **Department:** Administration

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Staff Report:

Item Description:

Consideration of a text amendment to Section 4-7 of Article VI of the Alcohol Ordinance regarding consumption and open containers.

Background/History:

In review of the Town's alcohol ordinance in conjunction with the requested modifications for parks and special events, it was found that Section 4-7 was in conflict with the proposed ordinance modifications for potential sales and consumption in Town parks.

Findings/Current Activity:

Staff has simply modified the provision regarding open container on town property to provide exception as is consistent with the other ordinance sections proposed for modification.

Actions/Options/Recommendations:

Staff recommends approval of this text amendment.

Sec. 4-7. Consumption prohibited; open containers.

- (a) As used in this section, the term "open container" means any container, containing alcoholic beverages, which is immediately capable of being consumed from or the seal of which has been broken.
- (b) No person shall possess an open container of an alcoholic beverage while walking, standing or otherwise occupying any public street, road, or highway, sidewalk adjacent thereto, public park, or public parking lot. Consumption of alcoholic beverages in or on other publicly owned properties of the town is prohibited, except as permitted during an authorized Town-sponsored event as stipulated in Sec. 30-6 only in the area designated for the consumption of alcohol for said event.
- (c) No person shall possess an open container of an alcoholic beverage on the premises of any retail package licensee, including parking lots located adjacent thereto.
- (d) No person shall enter or leave the premises of an establishment licensed to sell or dispense alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises with an open container of any alcoholic beverage.

(Code 1984, § 2-8-5)