



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Regulatory Services

Date: July 23, 2012

To: Council Member Elizabeth Glidden
Chair, Regulatory, Energy and Environment Committee

Subject: License Fee Increases

Recommendation: Schedule a public hearing to consider increasing fees on the License Fee Schedule effective January 1, 2013.

Previous Directives: As part of the 2002 budgetary process the Department of Licenses and Consumer Services was directed to bring forth a proposal to adjust license fees for inflation costs on a yearly basis.

Department Information

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Financial Impact

- Action is within the Business Plan
- Request provided to the Finance Department

Community Impact

- City Goals:
 - Jobs and Economic Vitality: A world-class city and 21st century economic powerhouse
 - A City that Works: Minneapolis is a model of fiscal responsibility, technological innovation and values-based, results-driven municipal government

Supporting Information

As directed by policy and state and local mandates, Regulatory Services submits an annual request to the Minneapolis City Council to consider increasing fees on the Licenses Fee Schedule. Minnesota Statute 340A.408 requires a public hearing before fees assigned to liquor licenses can be increased.

Subd. 3a. Fee increases; notice, hearing.

No city, town, or county shall increase the fee for a liquor license governed by subdivision 1, 2, or 3, except after notice and hearing on the proposed increase. Notice of the proposed increase must be mailed to all affected licensees at least 30 days before the date set for the hearing. This subdivision supersedes any inconsistent provision of law or charter.

Recommendation

Schedule a public hearing at the Regulatory, Energy & Environment Committee on August 20, 2012 to consider increasing license fees effective January 1, 2013. This matter will be referred to the Ways and Means Committee on August 27, 2012.