AN ORDINANCE

Amending City Code Section 3-4-3-(L), Amending the Class L Liquor License To Allow Sale of Alcoholic Liquor Greater than 6.76 Fluid Ounces and Wine Greater than 6.32 Fluid Ounces

NOW BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT:

SECTION 1: Section 3-4-3(L) of the Evanston City Code of 2012, as amended, is hereby further amended and revised as follows:

(L) Class L licenses, which shall authorize the retail sale of alcoholic liquor in a grocery store in original packages to persons of at least twenty-one (21) years of age for consumption off the premises. "Grocery store" is defined in Section 3-4-1 of this Chapter.

1. It shall be unlawful for a Class L licensee to sell a single container of beer unless the volume of the container is equal to or greater than forty (40) fluid ounces or 1.18 liters.

2. It shall be unlawful for a Class L licensee to sell a single container of wine unless the container is greater than or equal to 6.32 fluid ounces or 0.187 liters.

3. It shall be unlawful for a Class L licensee to sell a single container of alcoholic liquor, except beer and wine which are regulated by Subsections (L)1. and (L)2. of this Section, unless the volume of the container is greater than 6.76 fluid ounces or 0.20 liters.

4. The sale of alcoholic liquor at retail pursuant to the Class L license may begin after 8:00 a.m., Monday through Sunday. Alcoholic liquor shall not be sold after the hour of 12:00 midnight on any day.

5. A Class L licensee shall provide a minimum of five thousand (5,000) square feet to a maximum of seven thousand five hundred (7,500) square feet of production, preparation, and display area in which products are prepared and are for sale.

6. The retail package area shall occupy no more than ten percent (10%) of
the total floor space (including office, bathroom and kitchen space).

The applicant for the renewal only of such licenses may elect to pay the amount herein required semiannually or annually. Such election shall be made at the time of application.

The annual fee for such license shall be five thousand dollars ($5,000.00).

The total fee required hereunder for renewal applicants electing to make semiannual payments, payable according to the provisions of Section 3-4-7 of this Chapter, shall be five thousand two hundred fifty dollars ($5,250.00).

No more than one (1) such license(s) shall be in force at any one (1) time. (Ord. No. 150-O-14)

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3: If any provision of this ordinance or application thereof to any person or circumstance is ruled unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid provision or invalid application of this ordinance is severable.

SECTION 4: The findings and recitals contained herein are declared to be prima facie evidence of the law of the City and shall be received in evidence as provided by the Illinois Compiled Statutes and the courts of the State of Illinois.

SECTION 5: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in the manner provided by law.
Introduced: December 10, 2018

Adopted: December 10, 2018

Attest: 

Devon Reid, City Clerk

Approved:

January 8, 2019

Stephen H. Hagerty, Mayor

Approved as to form:

Michelle L. Masoncup
Michelle L. Masoncup, Corporation Counsel