

CHAPTER 5
LICENSING AND REGULATION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

SECTION 504.01. LICENSE APPLICATIONS.

Subd. 1. Application. All applications shall be made at the office of the City Clerk upon forms if prescribed by the proper Department of State of Minnesota, together with such additional information as the Council may desire. If State forms are not prescribed, then applications shall be made upon forms furnished by the City. Information required may vary with the type of business organization making application. All questions asked or information required by the application forms shall be answered fully and completely by the applicant.

Subd. 2. False Statements. No applicant shall make a false statement or omission upon any application form. Any false statement in such application or any omission of any information called for on such application form shall, upon discovery of such falsehood, result in an automatic refusal of license or, if already issued, shall render any license issued pursuant thereto void.

Subd. 3. Renewal Application. Applications for the renewal of an existing license shall be made at least 60 days prior to the date of the expiration of the license and shall be made in such form as the Council may approve. If, in the judgment of the Council, good and sufficient cause is shown by an applicant for failure to file for renewal within the time provided, the Council may grant the application. At the earliest practicable time after the application is made for a renewal and prior to the time that the application is approved, the Council may require any applicant which is a restaurant or hotel to file with the Clerk a statement made by a certified public accountant reflecting the total gross sales and the total food sales for the twelve-month period immediately preceding the date for filing renewal applications.

Subd. 4. Corporate Applicants and Licensees. A corporation applicant, at the time of application, shall furnish the City with a list of all persons that have an interest in such corporation and the extent of such interest. The list shall name all shareholders holding more than five percent (5%) of all issued and outstanding stock and shall show the number of shares held by each, either individually or beneficially, for others. Each licensee shall notify the Clerk in writing of any change in the legal ownership or beneficial interest, or in such shares. The notice of such change shall be given within ten (10) days of its occurrence. Any change in the ownership or beneficial interest in the shares entitled to be voted at the meeting of the shareholders of a corporation or partnership licensee which results in the change of voting control by the persons owning the shares therein shall be deemed equivalent to a transfer of the license. The Council or any officer of the City designated by the Council may, at any time, examine the stock transfer records and minute books of any corporation licensee in order to verify and identify the shareholders, and the Council or its designated officer may examine the business records of any other licensee to the extent necessary to disclose the interest which persons other than the licensee have in the licensed business.

Subd. 5. Every application for the issuance or renewal of a license shall include a copy of each notice received by the applicant under Minnesota Statutes § 340A.802 during the preceding year.