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COUNCIL BILL   2018-072   RESOLUTION                                   

RESOLUTION

1 GRANTING a new liquor license to sell retail liquor by the drink, including Sunday  
2 sales, to The Coffee Ethic d/b/a Coffee Ethic, located at 124 Park Central  
3 Square, Springfield, Missouri, such license to include a patio area  
4 measuring 20 feet by 15 feet on the North side of the building.  
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7 WHEREAS, The Coffee Ethic d/b/a Coffee Ethic, located at 124 Park Central  
8 Square, has filed an application for a license to sell retail liquor by the drink, including  
9 sales on Sunday; and

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11 WHEREAS, the applicant has held a liquor license at this location for a number  
12 of years and is making application in order to add a patio area and Sunday sales to its  
13 existing liquor license; and

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15 WHEREAS, pursuant to 10-37(a) of the Springfield City Code, no license shall be  
16 granted for the sale of intoxicating liquor within 200 feet of any school, church, park, or  
17 building regularly used as a place of worship unless the applicant shall first obtain the  
18 consent in writing of City Council; and

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20 WHEREAS, Section 10-37(c) establishes an exception to the 200-foot distance  
21 down to a distance of 100 feet for establishments located within the Downtown  
22 Springfield Community Improvement District ("Downtown CID") if the Director of Finance  
23 reviews certain criteria and determines a license shall have no adverse impacts on the  
24 Downtown CID; and

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26 WHEREAS, The Coffee Ethic d/b/a Coffee Ethic's place of business is located  
27 within the Downtown CID and is located within 100 feet of Missouri State University  
28 property, so the exception in Section 10-37(c) does not apply, and City Council must  
29 determine whether it will issue a liquor license at this business location.  
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31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
32 SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, as follows, that:

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34 Section 1 – City Council grants The Coffee Ethic d/b/a Coffee Ethic, a license to  
35 sell intoxicating liquor by the drink at retail and on Sunday at its location at 124 Park

36 Central Square, Springfield, Missouri, such license to include a patio area measuring 20  
37 feet by 15 feet on the North side of the building.

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39 Section 2 – This Resolution shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.  
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41 Passed at meeting: \_\_\_\_\_  
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44 Mayor

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46 Attest: \_\_\_\_\_, City Clerk  
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49 Filed as Resolution: \_\_\_\_\_  
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52 Approved as to form: Rhonda Lewaden, Deputy City Attorney  
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55 Approved for Council action: Jay B. Smith, City Manager

**EXPLANATION TO COUNCIL BILL 2018 -072**

FILED: 03-20-18

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Finance


**PURPOSE:** To grant a new liquor license to sell retail liquor by the drink, including Sunday sales, to The Coffee Ethic d/b/a Coffee Ethic, located at 124 Park Central Square, Springfield, Missouri, such license to include a patio area measuring 20 feet by 15 feet on the North side of the building.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Applicant, The Coffee Ethic d/b/a Coffee Ethic, applied for a license to sell retail liquor by the drink, including Sunday sales, at its location at 124 Park Central Square, such license to include a patio area measuring 20 feet by 15 feet on the North side of the building. The applicant has held a liquor license at this location for a number of years and is making application in order to add a patio area and Sunday sales to its existing license. The applicant's business is located within the Downtown Springfield Community Improvement District ("Downtown CID") and is located within 100 feet of property owned by Missouri State University. Missouri State University has been advised of the applicant's proposed sale of alcohol and did not submit an objection to City staff.

Pursuant to Section 10-37(a) of the Springfield City Code, no license shall be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquor within 200 feet of any church, school, park, or building regularly used as a place of worship unless the applicant shall first obtain the consent in writing of City Council. Section 10-37(c) establishes an exception to the 200-foot distance down to a distance of 100 feet for establishments within the Downtown CID if the Director of Finance reviews certain criteria and determines a license will not adversely impact the Downtown CID. In this case, the applicant's property is within 100 feet of Missouri State University property, so the Director of Finance is not authorized by the exception in Section 10-37(c) to issue the license. As a result, City Council must determine whether it will issue a license to this business.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

  
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Business License Supervisor

  
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Greg Burris, City Manager