



Plymouth Liquor License Review Committee Meeting Agenda

Monday, April 6, 2026 6:30 p.m.

Plymouth City Hall 201 S. Main St. Plymouth, MI 48170

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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes of March 16, 2026 - LLRC Meeting
4. Discussion of Current Status of Liquor License Operations Reviews and Past Due Payments
5. Adjournment



Liquor License Review Committee Administrative Recommendation

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To: Liquor License Review Committee
From: Chris S. Porman, City Manager
CC: *S:\Manager\Porman Files\Memorandum - LLRC Annual Review Memo for Mtg - 04-06-26.docx*
Date: March 31, 2026
RE: Annual Review & Recommendation of Liquor License Holders

Background

The Liquor License Review Committee met on March 16, 2026 for an introductory review of the annual liquor license review process. Chief Cox provided the annual report for 2025 and the group discussed the report and provided comments on its content. There was no formal action requested by the LLRC to make a recommendation to the City Commission at that time. The City Commission set a Public Hearing for 7pm on April 6, 2026 and prior to that Hearing, the LLRC needs to make its recommendation to the City Commission on the renewal, non-renewal, or revocation of the current liquor license establishments. The City Commission will take the recommendation into consideration before deliberating on their own recommendation that is provided to the State of Michigan. This is all part of the annual review.

We have provided the LLRC with the most current version of the Administrative Recommendation. If there are any changes that took place following the printing of the Agenda Packet, we will provide those at the meeting in real time; meaning if anyone owed the City money and came in and paid, we will provide that information.

During our agenda preparations we have found **ALL** our establishments are now in compliance with our ordinance and there are no significant issues with a couple exceptions on paying taxes, water bills and permits. This agenda item deals only with the Renewal, Non-Renewal, or Revocation recommendations to the City Commission and ultimately the State of Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

Recommendation

Administrative recommendations are updated and current as of March 31, 2026, and are subject to changes pending additional information, corrections, adjustments, or payments that have been made. This recommendation may be added to, changed, or amended.

The following establishments are recommended for renewal.

Barrio Cocina Y Tequileria – 555 Forest
Bearded Lamb Brewing Company – 149 W. Liberty
Bigalora – 777 W. Ann Arbor Trail
Compari's/Fiamma/Sardin Room – 350, 370, & 380 S. Main
Plymouth Community Cultural Center – 525 Farmer
E.G. Nicks – 500 Forest
Hermann's Olde Town Grille – 195 W. Liberty
Highline Spirits – 380 S. Main – License awaiting approvals
Ironwood Grill – 840 W. Ann Arbor Trail
VFW – Mayflower Lt. Gamble Post – 1426 S. Mill
Mayflower Meeting House – 499 S. Main
Nico & Vali – 744 Wing
Plymouth – Ann Arbor Elks – 110 W. Ann Arbor Trail
Knights of Columbus Council 3292 – 150 Fair
Pakwaan Restaurant – 447 Forest
Park Place Gastro Pub – 336 S. Main
Penn Grill – 820 Penniman
Pizza E Vino – 849 Penniman
Sidecar – 340 N. Main
Chicane – 885 Starkweather
Red Ryder – 584 Starkweather
Thai Basil – 983 W. Ann Arbor Tr.
The Downtown Pourhouse – 860 Fralick
The Ledger/Ebenezer – 306 S. Main
Westborn Market – 860 – 870 Penniman

The following establishments are NOT recommended for renewal as of March 31, 2026, pending additional information, corrections, adjustments, or payments that have been made since that time. This recommendation may be added to, changed, or amended.

Aqua – 413 N. Main
Sean O'Callaghan's – 821 Penniman
Post Local Bistro – 844 Penniman
Plymouth ROC – 1020 W. Ann Arbor Road – Escrow

In order to assist the LLRC with their renewal/non-renewal recommendations to the City Commission and ultimately, the State of Michigan, we have prepared a proposed Resolution recommending the renewals as indicated. Should you have any questions in advance of the meeting please feel free to contact either Chief Al Cox or myself.

LLRC Resolution Renewal

The following Resolution was offered by _____ and seconded by _____.

- WHEREAS The City of Plymouth has a Liquor Management Ordinance related to the operation of all Class C Type Liquor Licenses in the city; and
- WHEREAS On April 6, 2026, the City Administration presented the Liquor License Review Committee with information about the various liquor licensed establishments in the city, and
- WHEREAS The Local Liquor License Review Committee is required to make a recommendation to the City Commission related to the renewal, revocation and non-renewal of all liquor licenses in the City.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Liquor License Review Committee of the City of Plymouth does hereby recommend to the City Commission, and ultimately, the State of Michigan that the following licenses be renewed:

The following establishments are recommended for renewal

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Liquor License Review Committee does not recommend the following liquor licenses be renewed.

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1. Call to Order – Chair Maguire
2. Roll Call –Alanna Maguire, Brock Minton, Karen Sisolak
Also present: City Manager Chris Porman, City Attorney Bob Marzano, Police Chief Al Cox, Economic Development Director John Buzuvis & members of the public.
3. Approval of Minutes of March 17, 2025 - LLRC Meeting – Moved by Minton and seconded by Sisolak.
No comments and MOTION PASSED.
4. Discussion of Current Status of Liquor License Operations Reviews and Past Due Payments
Chief Cox presented his 2026 Report on Alcohol related police incidents. He noted that city police officers had conducted 433 Liquor License Inspections in 2025, up from 423 in 2024. He reported that alcohol related disorderly conduct totaled 27 incidents city wide. There was only one MLCC notification required with a local establishment for all of 2025. The Chief's report will be attached to these meeting minutes.

City Manager Porman reviewed the process and presented the Administrative Recommendation related to the annual review of liquor license holders. He indicated that the LLRC is required to meet prior to a City Commission meeting and make a recommendation to the City Commission on renewal, non-renewal or revocation of liquor licenses based on the Liquor Management Ordinance. He reported that all license holders are in compliance with the Ordinance and only a few had outstanding payments due to the City. The City Manager indicated that he expected most or all of the people with outstanding debts to the City will pay prior to the April 6th meeting and Administration has been working with those establishments to obtain payment prior to the April 6th City Commission meeting.
5. Discussion Liquor License Cap – Annual Review per Ordinance
With the increase in the cap last year by two licenses both inside and outside the DDA, there are a total of thirty-four licenses in the City (20 in the DDA and fourteen not in the DDA). Currently, there does not seem to be a demand for licenses as there are still two licenses inside and outside the DDA available. Additionally, things are going well with the current licensed establishments. Therefore, the board determined it would not be necessary to make any changes to the cap at this time.

The following Resolution was offered by Sisolak and seconded by Minton:

WHEREAS The City of Plymouth has a Liquor Management Ordinance related to the number of allowable liquor licenses in a particular zoning district; and

WHEREAS Annually, the Local Liquor License Review Committee must make a recommendation to the City Commission related to the number of allowable liquor licenses per zoning district.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Liquor License Review Committee of the City of Plymouth does hereby recommend to the City Commission that no changes in the number of available liquor licenses (34) under the cap in the City of Plymouth, based on Zoning Classification. The Liquor License Review Committee confirms that the number of licenses remain the same as in the current Liquor Management Ordinance, which is a cap of 20 licenses, as defined in the Liquor Management Ordinance for the B-2 Zoning District (DDA Area), and a cap of 14 licenses in total (*for all three zoning districts*) in any of the following the B-1, ARC and B-3 Zoning Districts.

MOTION PASSED - Unanimously

6. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board, it was moved by Sisolak and seconded by Minton to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

MOTION PASSED – Unanimously

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