### NOTICE OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

The special meeting of the Committee of the Whole is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16, 2021 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

A copy of the agenda for this meeting is attached hereto and can be found at <u>www.tinleypark.org</u>.

#### **NOTICE - MEETING MODIFICATION DUE TO COVID-19**

Pursuant to Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07, Executive Order 2020-10, Executive Order 2020-18, Executive Order 2020-32, Executive Order 2020-33, Executive Order 2020-39, and Executive Order 2020-44, which collectively suspends the Illinois Open Meetings Act requirements regarding in-person attendance by members of a public body during the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, issued on June 26, 2020, the members of the Committee of the Whole may be participating in the meeting through teleconference.

A livestream of the electronic meeting will be broadcasted at Village Hall. Pursuant to Governor's Executive Order No. 2020-43 and CDC guidelines, no more than 50 people or 50% of the maximum capacity will be allowed in the Council Chambers at any one time, so long as attendees comply with social distancing guidelines. Anyone in excess of maximum limit will be asked to wait in another room with live feed to the meeting until the agenda item for which the person or persons would like to speak on is being discussed or until the open floor for public comments.

Meetings are open to the public, but members of the public may continue to submit their public comments or requests to speak telephonically in advance of the meeting to <u>clerksoffice@tinleypark.org</u> or place requests in the Drop Box at the Village Hall by noon on February 16, 2021. Please note, written comments will not be read aloud during the meeting. A copy of the Village's Temporary Public Participation Rules & Procedures is attached to this Notice.

Kristin A. Thirion Clerk Village of Tinley Park

#### VILLAGE OF TINLEY PARK TEMPORARY PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RULES & PROCEDURES

As stated in Gubernatorial Executive Order 2020-07 issued on March 16, 2020 and Gubernatorial Executive Order 2020-10 issued on March 20, 2020, both extended by Gubernatorial Executive Order 2020-18 issued on April 1, 2020, all public gatherings of more than ten people are prohibited. In-person public participation is not defined as an essential activity.

The Mayor of Tinley Park is issuing the following rules for all Village Board and other public meetings in order to promote social distancing as required by the aforementioned Executive Orders and the requirements of the Open Meetings Act:

#### Written Comments

After publication of the agenda, email comments to clerksoffice@tinleypark.org. When providing written comments to be included as public participation at a public meeting, clearly identify the following in the subject line:

- The date of the meeting;
- The type of meeting for the written comments (e.g. Village Board meeting, Zoning Board of Appeals meeting, Plan Commission meeting, etc.);
- Name and any other identifying information the participant wishes to convey to the public body;
- The category of public participation (e.g., Receive Comments from the Public, Agenda Items, etc.);
- For specific Agenda Items, identify and include the specific agenda item number;
- The entire content of the comments will be subject to public release. The Village of Tinley Park is under no obligation to redact any information.

The contents of all comments will be provided to the relevant public body for their review. Written comments will not be read aloud during the meeting. If you wish to publicly address the public body, you may request to participate via teleconference as described below.

Comments must be submitted by 12:00 pm on the day of the meeting. However, it is strongly recommended that comments be emailed not less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting so the appropriate Board members, Commissioners, Board members, and Committee members have sufficient time to review the comments prior to the meeting.

#### Live Public Participation During Meeting

After publication of the agenda, those wishing to participate in a live telephone call option at a public meeting must register by 12:00 pm on the day of the meeting. A Village representative will call the participant at the relevant portion of the meeting and the participant will be allowed to participate telephonically at the meeting. To participate in a live telephone call during the meeting, a request shall be submitted by email to clerksoffice@tinleypark.org. The following information must be included the subject line:

- The date of the meeting;
- The type of meeting for the written comments (e.g. Village Board meeting, Zoning Board of Appeals meeting, Plan Commission meeting, etc.);
- Name and any other identifying information the participant wishes to convey to the public body;
- The category of public participation (e.g., Receive Comments from the Public, Agenda Items, etc.); and
- For specific Agenda Items, identify and include the specific agenda item number.

If the participant provides an email address, they will receive a confirmation email that their request has been logged. If the participant provides an email address and does not receive a confirmation email, they may call (708) 444-5000 during regular business hours to confirm the application was received.

Upon successful registration, the participant's name will be placed on an internal Village list. On the date and during relevant portion of the meeting, the participant will be called by a Village representative. The Village representative will call the provided telephone number and allow the phone to ring not more than four (4) times. If the call is not answered within those four (4) rings, the call will be terminated and the Village representative will call the next participant on the list.

The public comment should be presented in a manner as if the participant is in attendance at the meeting. At the start of the call, the participant should provide their name and any other information the participant wishes to convey. For comments regarding Agenda Items, identify and include the specific agenda item number. The participant should try to address all comments to the public body as a whole and not to any member thereof. Repetitive comments are discouraged. The total comment time for any single participant is three (3) minutes. Further time up to an additional three (3) minutes may be granted by motion. A participant may not give his or her allotted minutes to another participant to increase that person's allotted time.

#### NOTICE - VILLAGE OF TINLEY PARK SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a special Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Village of Tinley Park, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois will be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, located in the Tinley Park Village Hall, 16250 South Oak Park Avenue, Tinley Park, Illinois 60477.

The agenda is as follows:

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER.
- 2. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 2, 2021.
- 3. DISCUSS A COOK COUNTY CLASS 8 INCENTIVE REQUEST FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 17200 OAK PARK AVENUE, ROCKY HOLDINGS, LLC.
- 4. DISCUSS OAK PARK AVENUE CODE COMPLIANCE GRANT FOR MEDPRO HEALTH PROVIDERS, LLC, 16820 OAK PARK AVENUE.
- 5. DISCUSS CLASS E LIQUOR LICENSE FOR CRACKER BARREL, 18351 NORTH CREEK DRIVE.
- 6. DISCUSS CLASS A LIQUOR LICENSE FOR ZIN CLUB WINE BAR, 18211 HARLEM AVENUE.
- 7. DISCUSS RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.
- 8. RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC.

ADJOURNMENT

KRISTIN A. THIRION, VILLAGE CLERK

#### MINUTES Special Meeting of the Committee of the Whole February 2, 2021 – 6:00 p.m. Village Hall of Tinley Park – Council Chambers 16250 S. Oak Park Avenue Tinley Park, IL 60477

President Pro Tem Glotz called the special meeting of the Committee of the Whole on February 2, 2021, to order at 6:12 p.m.

At this time, President Pro Tem Glotz stated this meeting was conducted remotely via electronic participation consistent with Governor Pritzker's Executive Orders suspending certain requirements of the Open Meetings Act provisions relating to in-person attendance by members of a public body due to the COVID-19 pandemic. President Pro-Tem Glotz introduced ground rules for effective and clear conduct of Village business. Elected officials confirmed they were able to hear one another.

Clerk Thirion called the roll. Present and responding to roll call were the following:

Members Present:	<ul> <li>M. Glotz, Village President Pro Tem</li> <li>K. Thirion, Village Clerk</li> <li>C. Berg, Village Trustee</li> <li>W. Brady, Village Trustee</li> <li>W. Brennan, Village Trustee</li> <li>D. Galante, Village Trustee</li> <li>M. Mueller, Village Trustee</li> <li>J. Vandenberg, Village President</li> </ul>
Members Absent:	
Staff Present:	<ul> <li>D. Niemeyer, Village Manager</li> <li>P. Carr, Assistant Village Manager</li> <li>L. Godette, Deputy Clerk</li> <li>J. Urbanski, Public Works Director</li> <li>K. Clarke, Community Development Director (Participated electronically)</li> <li>P. Connelly, Village Attorney</li> </ul>

Others Present: Katie Duda, Rocket Testing (Participated electronically) Mohamad AlMasri, Hematogenix (Participated electronically)

Item #2 - CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF <u>THE WHOLE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 26, 2021</u> – Motion was made by Trustee Glotz, seconded by Trustee Brennan, to approve the minutes of the Special Committee of the Whole meeting held on January 26, 2021. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Berg, Brady, Brennan, Galante, Glotz, Mueller. Nays: None. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Glotz declared the motion carried.

#### Item #3 – DISCUSS AGREEMENT WITH CDW FOR THE MICROSOFT PRODUCTS ANNUAL

<u>**RENEWAL LICENSE**</u> – Pat Carr, Assistant Village Manager, presented the Microsoft Products annual renewal. The quote presented was from the Villages provider, CDW, for the annual renewal of the Villages Microsoft product suite. The cost for this service is \$73,307.47 and is included in the current year's budget.

Motion was made by Trustee Mueller, seconded by Trustee Brady, to recommend the agreement with CDW for the Microsoft annual renewal, be forwarded to the Village Board for approval. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Berg, Brady, Brennan, Galante, Glotz, Mueller. Nays: None. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Glotz declared the motion carried.

## Item #4 – DISCUSS APPROVAL OF TEMPORARY USE PERMIT FOR COVID TESTING

**FACILITIES: a. HEMATOGENIX** – **8150** 185<sup>TH</sup> **STREET** – Kimberly Clarke, Community Development Director, presented the temporary use permits. The proposed temporary use would be a COVID-19 testing location operated by Hematogenix (www.test4covid.net), at 8150 185<sup>th</sup> Street. Hematogenix is a laboratory business that was in operation before COVID-19 and started COVID test analysis at this location soon after the pandemic began. However, they found a natural progression to providing their own testing as well on-site which provides quick and efficient results for its patients. The location has been operating for about three (3) months. It has two (2) drive-thru testing lanes with approximately 12-13 stacking spaces. One (1) lane is largely an express lane and a second lane is dedicated to vehicles that may have more than one person being tested with longer wait times.

Testing usually only takes a couple of minutes to check-in customers and complete the test. It has operated as an appointment-only facility to avoid issues with stacking and traffic problems. They plan to continue operating in this manner. The Fire, and Building Departments have completed an initial safety review of the site plan and will give final approval with building permit review.

Staff has recommended the following conditions:

- Approval is for six (6) months;
- Permits are required to be submitted and approved for the tent, trailer, electrical, and temporary signage;
- Testing shall be appointment-only to be able to plan for and monitor traffic;
- A staff member must be on-site to monitor and manage traffic to avoid and stacking backups off-site;
- Testing will be closed if stacking occurs off-site onto neighboring properties or roadways.

Trustee Brady asked if the onsite dumpster was for regular trash or medical waste. Mohamad AlMasri, Hematogenix, replied it is for the regular trash. The medical waste is handled by a medical waste disposal company.

President Vandenberg asked if there is an overflow lot for those arriving early for their appointment. There has been a complaint regarding parking on 185<sup>th</sup> Street although it is unclear if is related to the testing facility. Mr. AlMasri stated he was unaware of customers parking on 185<sup>th</sup> Street. If a customer arrives early, or late, they may proceed straight to the testing lane. This will be communicated to customers when they make their appointment as well as posting the information on their website.

Motion was made by Trustee Glotz, seconded by Trustee Mueller, to recommend the temporary use permit for COVID-19 testing for Hematogenix at 8150 185th Street, be forwarded to the Village Board for approval. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Berg, Brady, Brennan, Galante, Glotz, Mueller. Nays: None. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Glotz declared the motion carried.

**b. ROCKET TESTING** – **7711 159<sup>TH</sup> STREET** – The proposed temporary use would be a COVID-19 testing location operated by Rocket Testing (https://rockettgsting.com), at 7711 159<sup>th</sup> Street. The site is currently occupied by a two-story office building occupied by an attorney, and a radiology office. Rocket Testing currently operates COVID-19 testing at twelve (12) other temporary testing locations in the Chicagoland area and has experience opening and operating these facilities.

The site plan has one drive-thru lane with approximately 10-11 stacking spaces along with a trailer, generator, and port-a-john bathroom located on the site. The testing location would not use interior building space. Testing usually only takes a couple of minutes to check-in customers and complete the test. Due to the limited on-site stacking and to avoid any potential backups, the Petitioner has agreed to testing by appointment only. The Fire, and Building Departments have completed an initial safety review of the site plan and will give final approval with the building permits when submitted.

Staff has recommended the following conditions:

- Approval is for 6 months;
- Permits are required to be submitted and approved for the tent, trailer, electrical, and temporary signage;
- Testing shall be appointment-only to be able to plan for and monitor traffic;
- A staff member must be on-site to monitor and manage traffic to avoid and stacking backups off-site;
- Testing will be closed if stacking occurs off-site onto neighboring properties or roadways;
- The generator shall be placed as far away from the neighboring residential along the southern property line as possible.

Trustee Brennan's only concern was the queue line but is comfortable with the recommended conditions.

Trustee Galante asked if the testing numbers are reported to the State. Katie Duda, Rocket Testing, replied yes.

Trustee Berg asked if this would be cash only and how results are relayed back to the customer. Ms. Duda replied no insurance is accepted and payment is by credit card. Customers can wait for the results or receive them via text.

Trustee Brady asked how the medical waste is handled. Ms. Duda replied a medical waste disposal company comes as needed.

Motion was made by Trustee Glotz, seconded by Trustee Berg, to recommend the temporary use permit for COVID-19 testing for Rocket Testing at 7711 159<sup>th</sup> Street, be forwarded to the Village Board for approval. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Berg, Brady, Brennan, Galante, Glotz, Mueller. Nays: None. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Glotz declared the motion carried.

<u>Item #5 – DISCUSS BULK FUEL</u> – John Urbanski, Public Works Director explained since contracting with Warren Oil the Village has saved approximately 20% on bulk fuel costs. This contract is due for renewal. Public Works has contacted the Tinley Park Park District (TPPD) for the possibility of combining bulk fuel purchases, perhaps garnering more savings for both entities. He added Warren Oil is connected to the levels, saving administrative time.

Mr. Urbanski recommends renewal of this contract, with the inclusion of TPPD, if there is no bid or Request for Proposal (RFP) requirement. Patrick Connelly, Village Attorney, will verify if a bulk purchase of this nature is permitted without a bid or RFP.

President Vandenberg asked if the TPPD usage would impose additional wear and tear on the equipment. Mr. Urbanski stated TPPD has its own tanks.

#### Item #6 - RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC -

President Pro Tem Glotz asked if there were any comments from the public. There were none.

Laura Godette, Deputy Village Clerk, stated there was no written comment or request to speak telephonically.

Vote by roll call to adjourn the Committee of the Whole. Ayes: Berg, Brady, Brennan, Galante, Glotz, Mueller. Nays: None. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Glotz declared the meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

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Date:	February 16, 2021
То:	Committee of the Whole
CC:	Dave Niemeyer, Village Manager Kimberly Clarke, Community Development Director
From:	Priscilla Cordero, Business Development Manager
Subject:	17200 Oak Park Avenue- Class 8- Rocky Holdings, LLC



#### BACKGROUND

James Baxter of Rocky Holdings, LLC (Applicant) proposes to invest \$300,000-400,000 to renovate the ground floor of the building located at 17200 Oak Park Avenue (Springfort Hall). This location has been 100% vacant since September of 2011 and is within the Main Street North TIF District.

The property is approximately 15 years old and consists of 8,700 sq. ft. of retail space on a 16,024 square foot site. Renovations to the space include a new patio, improvements to the ceiling, bathroom additions, as well as upgrades to the space to subdivide it into individual units.

The applicant plans to lease the units to individual, retail and/or service businesses. He is currently in discussions with a salon, a fitness center, a dance studio and a restaurant. Rocky Holdings, LLC is the holding company for Springfort Hall. James Baxter is 100% owner of Rocky Holdings and also owns Cody Real Estate Advisors based out of New Hudson, Michigan. Mr. Baxter owns and manages several properties and has 25 years of experience in the real estate industry.

The Village of Tinley Park can expect Rocky Holdings, LLC ., to not only increase the property tax value of the location, but also generate sales tax depending on the type of businesses that lease the space. The applicant estimates that the individual tenants will create 16 full-time jobs and 10 part-time jobs and assist in making Downtown Tinley Park a vibrant destination. As previously mentioned, the location has been 100% vacant for nearly 10 years. This reclassification will allow Springfort Hall to have a more competitive tax rate thereby increasing its occupancy.

#### DISCUSSION

The Applicant is requesting a Class 8 Incentive on this site. (PIN: 28-30-301-056-1001, 28-30-301-056-1002, 28-30-301-056-1003, 28-30-301-056-1004, 28-30-301-056-1005, 28-30-301-056-1006). The Applicant has stated "but for . . ." the Class 8 reclassification, the development of this property will likely not be feasible. Cook County provides the Class 8 Incentive Program which allows the reclassification of properties to effectively lower their tax assessment from the commercial rate of 25% to the residential rate of 10%. Class 8 reclassifications provide an assessment of 10% of market value for the first ten (10) years, 15% in the 11th year, and 20% in the 12th year and is a renewable program.

The Class 8 Incentive Program is designed to encourage industrial and commercial development in areas of Cook County which are experiencing severe economic stagnation. The property is located in Bremen Township, which is one of the Townships the Cook County Assesssor's Office has designated as a certified Class 8 area. Class 8 reclassifications are structured to permit the Assessor, upon application of the local governing body, to certify that such areas are in need of substantial revitalization. The twelve-year incentive applies to all newly constructed and renovated buildings, including the land upon which they are situated. High property taxes are a primary reason for Class 8 incentives as well as competition with Will County and Indiana taxes.

#### Incentive Policy Checklist

The following statements are in line with the Village or Tinley Park's incentive policy.

- 1. The developer will file the Cook County forms, and plans to be a long-term owner/investor. He also plans to comply with Village and County obligations of the Class 8 Incentive Program.
- 2. The project is in an area the Village has targeted for development.

#### Strategic Plan Checklist

• Economic Development Strategy 1: Continue to develop the Downtown in order to further Tinley Park as a vibrant destination.

#### **Benefits**

The project will be an enhancement to the Village by occupying an existing vacant building and making improvements to the building, which will result in an increase in the property tax value.

#### **REQUEST**

The Economic and Commercial Commission (ECC) recommended this Class 8 Incentive for approval at their February 8, 2021 meeting with a vote of 9-0. Staff requests consideration for Village Board approval of a Class 8 incentive for the property located at 17200 Oak Park Avenue.



Date:	February 16, 2021
То:	Committee of the Whole
CC:	Dave Niemeyer, Village Manager Kimberly Clarke, Community Development Director
From:	Priscilla Cordero, Business Development Manager
Subject:	Riz Villaseñor-MedPro Health Providers, LLC-Code Compliance Grant

#### BACKGROUND:

Riz Villaseñor of MedPro Health Providers, LLC (Applicant), proposes to convert a single-family residential home to a mixed-use building with a first-floor office and second-floor apartment at 16820 Oak Park Avenue.

The applicant is proposing to renovate the first floor of the building for a 722 sq. ft. office to operate their business, MedPro Health Providers. The company is a home-based healthcare business that is currently leasing a location in Tinley Park. This location will be an administrative office for the company, with no patients visiting the site. The building's second floor will be renovated into a 752 sq. ft. apartment so that the building is mixed-use. Conversion of a Heritage Site to a mixed-use is permitted in the NG zoning district with a Special Use Permit approval. In addition to the Special Use, three Variations have been approved by the Plan Commission and Village Board.

The property will remain a Heritage Site that does not comply with the Legacy Code's redevelopment requirements. However, it will come closer to the intent of the Legacy Code while keeping with the scale of the existing 90-year-old structure. The proposal mirrors similar mixed-use buildings in the area and along Oak Park Avenue. The mixed-use allows businesses to operate while also retaining the Legacy Plan's goal of keeping residential density that supports the commercial uses in the Downtown Core. The redevelopment



proposal benefits the Village by redeveloping a vacant and deteriorating building, while also keeping an existing healthcare business in town.

The subject property was originally constructed as a residential home in a bungalow style around the 1930s. The structure is not identified as a culturally and historically significant property according to the Legacy Plan. The house was home to Tinley Park's first and only female mayor, Rose Brown, who served from 1949 to 1952. The house also offers a unique brick design for the entire first floor. The property was renovated in the late 90s to serve as a commercial office. However, after a few years of vacancy it was permanently converted back to a single-family residential house in 2010.

The property consists of two lots that are approximately 27,725 sq.ft. in total size and includes a two-story single-family home structure, an ADA ramp, and an asphalt driveway and parking lot that has begun to deteriorate. The rear of the lot is heavily wooded.

The applicant is requesting funds under the Code Compliance Grant Program for the sprinkler and fire alarm system. The intent of the Code Compliance Grant Program is to provide an incentive for property owners to install fire protection systems and improve the quality of the building stock. The program provides a matching grant of 50% or a maximum of \$35,000 per tax paying business. An additional \$2,000 is available to assist with the installation of a fire alarm if the applicant reaches the program limit of \$35,000. One site can use up to \$70,000 in matching grants every three years.

The applicant worked with the Fire Department to ensure that the proposed design complies with Village code. The applicant submitted proposals for the sprinkler and fire alarm system proposals and has chosen to work with Fox Valley Fire & Safety, D & G Electric and Quality Alarm Systems for a total of \$30,995. Therefore, the Village's 50% match will be a not to exceed amount of \$15,497.50 The proposal amounts are as follows:

Scope of Work	Central States	Xtreme Fire Protection, Inc.	Fox Valley Fire & Safety
	Automatic Sprinklers		
Sprinkler System	\$12,695	\$33,600*	\$ <mark>17,000</mark>
	<mark>D &amp; G Electric</mark>	Quality Alarm Systems	Fox Valley Fire & Safety
Fire Alarm Installation	<mark>\$7,525 (electric only)</mark>	<mark>\$6,470 (alarm only)</mark>	\$21,340**

#### **Code Compliance Grant**

\*Xtreme Fire Protection Quote includes fire alarm system quote, but is not broken out.

\*\*Fox Valley quote includes electrical and fire alarm system and is not broken out.

#### Request:

The applicant is requesting a Code Compliance grant for the sprinkler and fire alarm system in an amount not to exceed \$15,497.50. At the February 8, 2021 ECC meeting Staff mistakenly capped the fire alarm system at \$2,000. Per the program description, the Code Compliance Program offers an additional \$2,000 for alarm systems; however, this is provided for those projects that exceed the \$35,000 limit of the program. Since the total project cost for this property is less that the \$35,000 limit (\$30,995) the applicant is eligible for 50% of the total project cost (\$15,497.50). The ECC was informed of the miscalculation.

#### Incentive Policy Checklist:

The following statements are in line with the Village of Tinley Park's incentive policy.

- The project will not create a burden and will effectively utilize the existing Village infrastructure.
- Due to its location in the Main Street TIF, this project meets the Target Development Area Incentive Policy requirement.

#### Strategic Plan Checklist:

1. Long-Term Complex, Tier 1 and Economic Development Strategy 4: See ongoing downtown development, and reinvestment continue.

#### Staff Recommendation:

The Economic and Commercial Commission (ECC) recommended this Code Compliance grant for approval at their February 8, 2021 meeting with a vote of 6-0. Three Commissioners abstained from voting. Staff requests consideration for Village Board approval of a matching Code Compliance grant not to exceed \$15,497.50 for Riz Villaseñor to add a sprinkler and fire alarm system to the building at 16820 Oak Park Avenue.



Date:	February 16, 2021
То:	Village Board of Trustees
Cc:	David Niemeyer, Village Manager
From:	Hannah Lipman, Assistant to the Village Manager
Subject:	Class E Liquor License Request – Cracker Barrel 18531 North Creek Dr.

#### **Background:**

The purpose of this memo is to explain the background of Cracker Barrel's (18531 North Creek Dr.) request for a Class E Liquor License, which allows for on premise consumption of beer and wines only.

The petitioner, Cracker Barrel, has approached the Liquor Commissioner seeking a Class E Liquor License. Cracker Barrel, for the first time in the company's 51 year history, has started to roll out beer, wine & mimosa sales at more than 600 locations nationwide, including approximately 20 Illinois locations. Cracker Barrel began testing the concept prior to COVID-19 at nearly 100 locations, and given the positive response, is making the change permenant. Guests have shared that adding beer and wines reduce the veto vote – that is, those guests who would choose Crackerl Barrel for a given dining occasion, but ultimately go elsewhere becase they would like to have a beer or glass of wine with their meal.

Attached is the letter of intent that was submitted to the Mayor's Office.

#### <u>Request:</u>

Approve a Class E Liquor License for Cracker Barrel 18531 North Creek Dr., which will allow for the sale of beer and wine (to include mimosas).

If the request is granted, the total number of class E Liquor Licenses in the Village will be increased from six (6) to (7).



February 3, 2021

#### VIA E-MAIL

Mayor Jacob C. Vandenberg Village of Tinley Park 16250 S. Oak Park Ave Tinley Park, IL 60477

#### RE: CRACKER BARREL - 18531 North Creek Dr., Tinley Park, IL 60477

Dear Mayor Vandenberg:

As you may be aware, this firm represents Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, Inc. ("Cracker Barrel" or "Licensee") regarding licensure and regulatory matters in Illinois. Cracker Barrel is excited to expand their customer offerings in Illinois to include the sale of beer and wine, as detailed in our previous correspondence, dated December 2, 2020.

Cracker Barrel is getting bubbly with the addition of beer, wine and mimosas to its menu for the first time in the company's 51-year history, by rolling out beer, wine and mimosa sales at more than 600 locations nationwide, including approximately 20 Illinois locations.

Cracker Barrel began testing the concept starting before the coronavirus pandemic began, by adding beer, wine and mimosas to the menu at more than 100 locations, the company is making the change permanent. It helped that the overall response from customers was overwhelmingly positive and made the decision to allow most locations to partake in adult beverages a no-brainer. "Our guests have told us that offering beer and wine would reduce the veto vote — that is, those guests who would choose Cracker Barrel for a given dining occasion, but ultimately go elsewhere because they would like to have a beer or a glass of wine with their meal — especially during weekend dinner," a Cracker Barrel spokesman told CNN via an interview last year.

Should you have questions or concerns or need anything further please do not hesitate to contact either myself or our Director of Licensing, Terra Westhaus at <u>twesthaus@lawwp.com</u>. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Webster Law Partners, P.C.

/s/ James L. Webster

320 W. Ohio Suite 501 Chicago, IL 60654 312.587.8800 jwebster@lawwp.com



Date:	February 16, 2021
То:	Village Board of Trustees
Cc:	David Niemeyer, Village Manager
From:	Hannah Lipman, Assistant to the Village Manager
Subject:	Class A Liquor License Request – Zin Club 18211 Harlem Avenue

#### **Background:**

The purpose of this memo is to explain the background of Zin Club's request for a Class A Liquor License, which allows for on premise alcoholic liquor sales.

The petitioners, Taho Shuaipaj and Afrim Shehu, have approached the Liquor Commissioner seeking a Class A Liquor License for a new wine bar concept they are looking to open at 18211 Harlem Avenue. The petitioners have successful wine bars in other areas. The concept is to offer on premise consumption of wines and upper tier whiskeys. There will also be retail sales of wines and wine-related gift items. The appearance will be sophisticated and available for a 21+ crowd. The food menu will offer cheese flights, charcuterie boards, bruschetta, stone-fired pizza and limited desserts.

Attached is the letter of intent received by the Mayor's Office.

#### Request:

Approve a Class A Liquor License for Zin Club 18211 Harlem Avenue, which allows for on premise alcoholic liquor sales.

If the request is granted, the total number of class A Liquor Licenses in the Village will be increased from seventeen (17) to eighteen (18).

24600 U.S. Route 52 Manhattan, IL 60442

Mayor Jacob Vandenberg Village of Tinley Park 16250 S. Oak Park Avenue Tinley Park, IL 60477

February 2, 2021

Dear Mayor Vandenberg:

Thank you for taking the time to speak with us concerning our wine bar concept. We are very excited to be working with you and the Village of Tinley Park. This correspondence is to serve as a letter of intent for a liquor license.

We are seeking a Class AV license for our wine bar concept, Zin Club. As we may have mentioned, we have successful wine bars in other areas. Our business concept is to offer on-premises consumption, along with upper tier whiskeys. There will also be retail sales of wine bottles and limited wine-related gift items. The appearance will be sophisticated and a available exclusively for the over-21 crowd.

The food menu would offer cheese flights, charcuterie board, bruschetta, stone-fired pizza and limited desserts.

Our preferred location is the former Tin Fish restaurant, 18211 Harlem Avenue, Tinley Park. We are negotiating renting a portion of that unit.

Looking forward to next steps.

Respectfully,

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Taho Shuaipaj On behalf of Zin Club

# THE VILLAGE OF TINLEY PARK Cook County, Illinois Will County, Illinois

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-R-009**

#### A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND THEIR LEADERS, OFFICERS, AND DEPUTIES WHO SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES

#### JACOB C. VANDENBERG, PRESIDENT KRISTIN A. THIRION, VILLAGE CLERK

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-R-009**

#### A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND THEIR LEADERS, OFFICERS, AND DEPUTIES WHO SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES

**WHEREAS**, Law enforcement is a necessary and vital function of our government at all levels. Police departments enforce the laws enacted by the Legislature to ensure public safety, protect the health and possessions of our citizens, and to prevent crime and civil disorder; and

**WHEREAS**, Tinley Park law enforcement officers are highly-trained and courageous individuals working in dangerous situations to protect the residents of Tinley Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tinley Park Village President and Village Board supports the efforts, best practices, and beneficial policy changes that have been put forth and adopted by the Tinley Park Police Department, and all other partnering law enforcement agencies serving the citizens of Tinley Park while working to improve public safety and while continuing to reduce overall crime; and

**WHEREAS**, the duty of law enforcement is to enforce the law equally and in a fair and just manner without partiality, prejudice, or discrimination; and

WHEREAS, the egregious misconduct and bias of some law enforcement officers demonstrates the need for reform, but efforts to defund or abolish local police departments gives credence to the incorrect notion that law enforcement generally is harmful to local communities, rather than a cornerstone of a safe and prosperous society; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tinley Park Village President and Village Board supports the continual efforts of our law enforcement agencies as they strive toward best practices and policy changes that lead to increased equity, transparency, and mutual trust; and

**WHEREAS**, Defunding or abolishing local police departments will burden remaining departments that may be called upon to provide assistance within municipalities that no longer have the resources to respond to emergency calls. Lack of policing resources will put citizens at risk, creating chaos and disorder; and

**WHEREAS**, efforts to delegitimize through harassment, insults, threats, and violence are not compatible with support of the profession of law enforcement and the men and women who take an oath of office to protect and serve the citizens of Tinley Park and to improve the institution of law enforcement; and

**WHEREAS**, during an unprecedented overnight session on Wednesday, January 13, the Illinois Senate voted to approve House Bill 3653, a 764-page document, after just an hour of time allocated to lawmakers for review. Soon thereafter, the Illinois House also voted to pass the legislation, and

**WHEREAS**, while the legislation is being touted as a necessary change that protects citizens treated unfairly in the justice system, many law enforcement professionals view it as an overreach, making law enforcement more difficult while actually diminishing public safety; and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 3653 empowers criminals while tying the hands of police officers. Additionally, the new legislation requires added mandates placed upon law enforcement without allocating any revenues to fund them; and

**WHEREAS**, following the Illinois Senate's morning vote, the Illinois Law Enforcement Coalition, a collection of police unions and organizations representing police chiefs and county sheriffs, said in a statement that "In the dark of night Illinois legislators made Illinois less safe;" and

**WHEREAS**, the absence of law enforcement personnel in our communities could affect the state's economy, discouraging businesses from locating here and out-of-state residents from visiting. An increase in crime would affect every Illinois resident's quality of life.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the President and Board Of Trustees of the Village Of Tinley Park, Cook And Will Counties, Illinois, state as follows:

**SECTION 1**: The foregoing recitals shall be and are hereby incorporated as findings of fact as if said recitals were fully set forth herein.

**SECTION 2:** Any policy, resolution, or ordinance of the Village that conflicts with the provisions of this Resolution shall be and is hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**SECTION 3:** That the Village Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to publish this Resolution in pamphlet form, and this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

PASSED THIS 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

APPROVED THIS 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

VILLAGE CLERK

STATE OF ILLINOIS	)	
COUNTY OF COOK COUNTY OF WILL	) )	SS

#### CERTIFICATE

I, KRISTIN A. THIRION, Village Clerk of the Village of Tinley Park, Counties of Cook and Will and State of Illinois, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2021-R-009 "A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND THEIR LEADERS, OFFICERS, AND DEPUTIES WHO SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES," which was adopted by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Tinley Park on February 16, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the Village of Tinley Park this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021.

KRISTIN A. THIRION, VILLAGE CLERK

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

# ADJOURNMENT