

ORDINANCE #69004
Board Bill No. 163

An ordinance repealing Ordinance 68131 and in lieu thereof enacting a new ordinance prohibiting the issuance of any package or drink liquor licenses for any currently non-licensed premises within the boundaries of the Fourth Ward Liquor Control District, as established herein, for a period of three years from the effective date hereof; containing exceptions and allowing, during the moratorium period, for the transfer of existing licenses, under certain circumstances, and the issuance of a drink license to persons operating a restaurant at a previously non-licensed premises and containing an emergency clause.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE. Ordinance number 68131 is hereby repealed and in lieu thereof the following provisions are enacted:

SECTION TWO. The existence of alcoholic beverage establishments appears to contribute directly to numerous peace, health, safety and general welfare problems including loitering, littering, drug trafficking, prostitution, public drunkenness, defacement and damaging of structures, pedestrian obstructions, as well as traffic circulation, parking and noise problems on public streets and neighborhood lots. The existence of such problems creates serious impacts on the health, safety and welfare of residents of single- and multiple-family within the district, including fear for the safety of children, elderly residents and of visitors to the district. The problems also contribute to the deterioration of the neighborhood and concomitant devaluation of property and destruction of community values and quality of life. The number of establishments selling alcoholic beverages and the associated problems discourage more desirable and needed commercial uses in the area. In order to preserve the residential character and the neighborhood-serving commercial uses of the area, there shall be a moratorium on the issuance of new liquor licenses within the area Beginning at the point of intersection of Page Blvd and N Vandeventer Ave, and proceeding westerly along Page Blvd to north/south alleyway between Whittier St and Pendleton Ave, and southerly along such alleyway to east/west alleyway between Page Blvd and Cook Ave, and proceeding westerly along such alleyways to N Newstead Ave, and proceeding northerly along N Newstead Ave to Page Blvd, and proceeding westerly on Page Blvd to N Taylor Ave, and proceeding southerly along N Taylor Ave to Newberry Ter, and proceeding westerly along Newberry Ter to Walton Ave, and proceeding northerly along Walton Ave to Newcomb Pl, and proceeding easterly along Newcomb Pl to Marcus Ave, and proceeding northerly along Marcus Ave to Cote Brilliante Ave, and proceeding westerly along Cote Brilliante Ave to N Euclid Ave, and proceeding northerly along N Euclid Ave to Greer Ave, and proceeding easterly along Greer Ave to Marcus Ave, and proceeding northerly along Marcus Ave to an east/west alleyway between Ashland Ct and Lexington Ave, and proceeding westerly along such alleyway to Shreve Ave, and proceeding northerly along Shreve Ave to Palm St, and proceeding easterly along Palm St to Marcus Ave, and proceeding northerly along Marcus Ave to Palm St, and proceeding easterly along Palm St to Cora Ave, and proceeding northerly along Cora Ave to east/west alleyways between Natural Bridge Ave and Lexington Ave, and proceeding easterly along such alleyway to north/south alleyway, and proceeding southerly along such alleyway to Lexington Ave, and proceeding easterly along Lexington Ave to N Newstead Ave, and proceeding northerly along N Newstead Ave to east/west alleyway between Natural Bridge Ave and W Lexington Ave, and proceeding easterly along such alleyway to Harris Ave, and proceeding northerly along Harris Ave to Natural Bridge Ave, and proceeding easterly along Natural Bridge Ave to N Vandeventer Ave proceeding southerly along N Vandeventer Ave to Lincoln Ave, and proceeding easterly along Lincoln Ave to Prairie Ave, and proceeding southerly along Prairie Ave to Cottage Ave, and proceeding easterly on Cottage Ave to N Spring Ave, and proceeding southerly on N Spring Ave to N Market St, and proceeding easterly on N Market St to Bacon St, and proceeding southerly on Bacon St to Cass Ave, and proceeding westerly on Cass Ave to N Grand Ave, and proceeding northerly on N Grand Ave to Aldine Ave, and proceeding westerly on Aldine Ave to Prairie Ave, and proceeding northerly on Prairie Ave to Garfield Ave, and proceeding westerly on Garfield Ave to N Vandeventer Ave, and proceeding southerly along N Vandeventer Ave to Dr Martin Luther King Dr, and proceeding westerly along Dr Martin Luther King Dr to N Vandeventer Ave, and proceeding southerly along N Vandeventer Ave to the point of beginning. Such area shall be known as the Fourth Ward Liquor Control District.

SECTION THREE. The Excise Commissioner shall not, for a period of three years, beginning as of the effective date of this Ordinance, approve the issuance of a package liquor license for any premises which is located within the boundaries of the Fourth Ward Liquor Control District established in Section Two of this ordinance.

SECTION FOUR. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section Three of this Ordinance, the Excise Commissioner shall have authority to:

- (1) Approve transfer of an existing license to another premises within the petition circle of the currently licensed premises, pursuant to the provisions of subsection (B) of section 14.06.330 of Ordinance 68536; and
- (2) Issue a drink license for premises, not licensed as of the effective date of this Ordinance, which currently is or will be, upon opening, operated as a restaurant, as such term is defined in section 14.01.390 of Ordinance 68536.

- (3) Approve the renewal of an existing license under the provisions of Section 14.08.090 of Ordinance 68536.

SECTION FIVE. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. This being an ordinance for the preservation of public peace, health and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and therefore this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Approved: October 20, 2011