

June 8, 2021

- City Council directed staff to present the Harker Heights BYOB ordinance for consideration at the June 8th regular meeting.
- Proposed ordinance amends the city's existing licenses, permits and miscellaneous business regulations contained in Chapter 15 of the Code of Ordinances.
- Primary intent of the ordinance is to establish permit requirements and associated regulations of BYOB businesses.

- Ordinance applies to establishments that are:
 - not licensed or permitted through the TABC; and
 - allows patrons to bring alcoholic beverages onto the premises for consumption.
- Ordinance excludes several uses: residences, private clubs (as defined by TABC), colleges/universities, restaurants, theaters, religious assemblies, etc.
- Ordinance lays out permit requirements and a timeline for approval by city staff.

- Ordinance proposes a non-refundable \$50 permit fee, which will require annual renewal.
- Ordinance includes a revocation section and an appeal section.
- Any applicant denied a BYOB permit may petition the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBOA) for an appeal of the city's decision.
- A security plan is required, and a business manager must be on the premises for any BYOB establishment permitted under this ordinance.

Alternatives

- The City Council has three (3) alternatives:
 - Disapprove the proposed ordinance;
 - Approve the proposed ordinance with amendments;
 or
 - Approve the proposed ordinance as presented.