Notice to Current and Future Alcohol Retailers

If you are an applicant for a Business Tax Certificate, Building Permit or other permit from the City of Oxnard and you plan to operate any of the below types of businesses that currently sell alcohol beverages or may sell alcohol beverages in the future, it is important that you review this notice.

- Restaurant
- Market
- Convenience Store
- Club/Pool Hall
- Bowling Alley
- Bar/Winery/Brewery
- Liquor Store
- Nightclub

Or any other business that currently, or may, in the future sell alcoholic beverages.

Under Oxnard City Council Resolutions 11,896 and 12,407 certain fees and standards exist for existing and future retail alcohol businesses. These standards apply as follows:

- An annual fee for all retail alcohol establishments. The billing for the Alcohol Compliance Fee is usually mailed to the retailer in January or February.

- If you have recently acquired an operating retail alcohol business, there may be special conditions that apply to the operation of your business. These conditions would be outlined in your Alcohol Beverage Control License and City of Oxnard Alcohol Special Use Permit.

- If you have acquired a business that has previously sold alcohol, but there has been a lapse in the sale of alcohol beverages at the premises for a period of 6 months or more, you may be required to obtain a new Alcohol Special Use Permit regardless of the status of a license issued by the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

- If you have a business, or plan to lease or purchase a site or business and plan to sell alcoholic beverages, an Alcohol Special Use Permit maybe be required. This permit process is guided by the provisions of Resolution 11, 896 and 12,407 provide restrictions on issuance of such permits by the Planning Commission for most of the City and the Community Development Director for the RiverPark and Wagon Wheel developments. Permits may be denied if the area around the business has an elevated crime rate, over-concentration of alcohol establishments and other considerations.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate contact:

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