

ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Douglas County Board of Commissioners is authorized to adopt ordinances and regulations for the governing and policing of the unincorporated area of the County for the purpose of protecting and preserving the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the County.

NOW THEREFORE the Code of Douglas County, Georgia, is hereby amended by adding the following section to **Chapter 3 Alcoholic Beverages** to read as follows:

Section 1.

Sec. 3-53. Temporary Alcohol Permits Authorized.

- (a) Outdoor or special events
 1. No alcohol may be served and/or sold at any outdoor or special event location unless the owner or operator of the location has an alcohol license or unless the host receives a temporary alcohol license. If the outdoor or special event is utilizing a facility or location where an alcohol license has already been issued and that license is currently active, the host must utilize the services of the on-site license holder for purposes of serving/selling alcohol. No additional Temporary Alcohol Permits will be issued.
 2. If the outdoor or special event host is utilizing a facility with no current County issued alcohol license, the applicant shall complete and submit a Temporary Alcohol Permit application with a Temporary Event Permit application. The Temporary Alcohol Permit application and Temporary Event Permit application must be submitted at least 30 days in advance of the event.
 3. The Occupational Tax Department will forward a recommendation to the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for approval or denial of the application. No Temporary Alcohol Permit will be approved unless the associated Temporary Event Permit application is first approved by Planning and Zoning, Douglas County Department of Transportation, Douglas County Sheriff's Department, and Douglas County Fire Department.

- (b) Fees, duration and other requirements
 1. The fee for a temporary alcohol license fee shall be \$25.00 per event where alcohol (beer, wine, and/or distilled spirits) is served, for applicants that are non-profit organizations. Applications for such temporary permit must include a copy of an official document such as a nonprofit certification by the Internal Revenue Service, or constitution and bylaws of the organization, or corporate charter which clearly states the purpose of the organization as being charitable or nonprofit. The maximum number of temporary alcohol permits in any calendar year for any organization is four (4).
 2. For all other applicants, the temporary alcohol license fee shall be \$50.00 for beer or wine; \$50.00 for distilled spirits; \$100 for beer and wine; and \$150.00 for beer and wine and distilled spirits. The fees are per event where alcohol is served. The maximum number of events in any calendar year for any organization or individual is four (4).

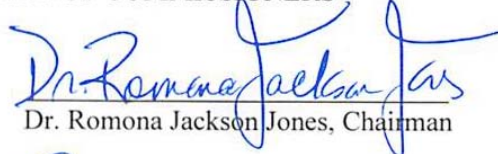
3. The maximum number of temporary alcohol licenses for any one location is four (4). The owner of any one location desiring additional alcohol licenses will be required to obtain regular alcohol license(s) and pay the associated fees.
4. The applicant must obtain a license to serve alcohol at the outdoor or special event from the State of Georgia, and must supply the County with a copy of said license no later than three business days prior to the outdoor event.
5. No location that has had an alcoholic beverage sales license suspended shall be approved as a permitted location under the provisions of this ordinance during the period of such suspension.
6. No organization or individual that has had an alcoholic beverage sales license suspended shall be approved for a temporary alcoholic beverage permit under the provisions of this ordinance during the period of such suspension.
7. Any applicant seeking to obtain an alcoholic beverage license in the county must provide proof of attendance at, and completion of, a responsible alcohol sales and service (RASS) workshop that has been approved by the development services director. Such workshop shall be attended by the applicant prior to the issuance of any alcohol license and shall be at the applicant's expense. If, at the time the application is considered by Douglas County, the applicant has not provided evidence to the board that the applicant has successfully completed an approved RASS workshop, the license shall be denied. Once the license is granted, the licensee will be required to meet the remaining requirements set forth in this section. RASS certification must be renewed every two (2) years.

Section 2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all ordinances or resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed.


This Ordinance is approved and shall become effective on this 4th day of April, 2017.

DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Dr. Romona Jackson Jones, Chairman


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Michael Mulcare, Member


Ann Jones Guider, Member

Attest:

Lisa Watson, County Clerk