

Proposed EDJ Action on RBP

Concur in the PLUM Committee's REQUEST that the City Attorney, with the assistance of the Department of City Planning, to prepare and present an Ordinance, as amended to read as follows:

- Establish an opt-in process for Council Offices to designate geographies in their district, including by Council District boundaries, Community Plan Area, and/or specific boundaries as provided through Resolution.
 - Changes to geographic boundaries should be via Council Resolution, and therefore, not require an amendment to the entire ordinance
 - Additionally, allow Council Offices to establish an alcohol sensitive use zone designation which will create additional provisions listed in the ordinance as provided below:
- Restrict eligibility for the program to LA County residents or businesses to ensure the program is benefiting local operators
- All approvals shall be provisional until after a 1-year review period, in which the applicant may be subject to a public hearing and review of conditions as determined by the Department of City Planning
 - Businesses with more than 5 complaints received and validated in the complaint portal shall be subject to a hearing to review conditions and mitigate any issues
- Include the following provisions in the conditions of approval:
 - Gross annual sales of alcoholic beverages shall not exceed 45% of the total gross annual restaurant sales
 - Any change in owner and/or operator of the business shall require a new application for the RBP program
- Allow those Council Offices that opt into the program to further limit the RBP program within the geographies they designate to beer and wine only during the first year of the program.
- Applicants will be required to submit an outreach plan at the time they file an application for the RBP program to demonstrate their outreach efforts in the local community. The Planning Department will provide guidance on the requirements for the outreach plan.

Programmatic Instructions:

- Establish a portal for community members to file complaints and a method to validate the complaints.

Remove the outdoor dining caps and reduce the 20-seat minimum to a 10-seat minimum.

Include a Severability Clause

Exempt restaurants within hotels from participating in the program.