

Village of Richton Park

2024

Liquor Commissioner's Annual Report

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The Richton Park Board of Trustees
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Dear Richton Park Board of Trustees:

Enclosed is the 2024 Liquor Commissioner's Annual report, filed in accordance with Chapter 806.29 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Richton Park. This report summarizes the liquor licensing events, incidents reported and other information concerning the liquor license establishments in our community.

During this past reporting year, we had **18** liquor licenses issued. Of these **18** liquor licenses, there were **four** police involved liquor license incidents.

We, as a Village, will continue to be diligent in our efforts to ensure that license holders act responsibly and in the best interest of the citizens of the Village of Richton Park.

Respectfully Submitted,



Richard Reinbold

Liquor Commissioner

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Report Summary

Licenses - During 2024 there were 18 liquor licenses issued to existing businesses. A listing of licenses by classification and fees paid is found attached to this report.

A total of \$20,850 was collected in licensing fees for the various classifications established by ordinance.

Incidents - During 2024 there were four liquor license incidents that required police intervention and/or action/hearings to the liquor license businesses.

On March 9th, at Eduardo Leamon Cigars, two patrons got into an argument inside of the liquor establishment. One patron advised he would be back and drove off. No physical contact took place. There was no liquor license violation.

On April 7th, subjects arrived at Ambitions Entertainment to engage in a physical altercation with a patron. Patrons were allowed to exit the liquor establishment which lead to multiple altercations in the parking lot. Subjects then left the area after several commands from the police officers. There was no liquor license violation.

On September 9th, during a routine patrol of the Platinum Smokes Hookah & Cigar Lounge parking lot, the police officer observed a large crowd forming. As the officer approached the crowd, shouting and arguing was overheard and several people were restrained by multiple subjects. The officer exited his vehicle in an attempt to gain control of the crowd. Additional officers arrived at the scene in which the crowd dispersed. After further investigation, it was found that the conflict initiated inside the liquor establishment before the crowd migrated to the parking lot. No one from the liquor establishment called the police to report this incident. At a later date, Deputy Chief Jones met with the liquor establishment pertaining to the liquor violation, and gave them a verbal warning for failure to contact the police.

On September 26th, police officers responded to a disturbance in the parking lot of Platinum Smokes Hookah & Cigar Lounge. Officers observed two intoxicated patrons engaged in a physical altercation and both were issued a Local Ordinance citation. The business owner called police and security was attempting to handle the situation.

There was no liquor license violation.

On November 15th, the DJ of Candy's Place Bar & Grill was struck in the face by an unknown subject. Security escorted the unknown subject out of the liquor establishment as the unknown subject stated that he was going to shoot the club up. The DJ stated that he was okay and refused medical treatment. **There was no liquor license violation.**

On November 16th, police officers were called to Platinum Smokes Hookah & Cigar Lounge by customers in the parking lot stating that individuals were fighting in front of the entrance and that some of the individuals were armed with guns. Officers arrived and found that security had the parties separated and no weapons were seen. Officers assisted with crowd control while security had everyone leave for the night. **A Local Ordinance ticket was issued to the liquor establishment for Breach of Peace, with the hearing scheduled for January 21, 2025. The liquor establishment did not call the police, which is a liquor license violation and a hearing was requested.**

On November 17th, police officers were called to Platinum Smokes Hookah & Cigar Lounge for individuals fighting. Officers arrived and observed a large crowd with multiple subjects fighting in the parking lot. Security, who was inside the building, were asked several times to clear the parking lot. Officers were informed that the fight started inside the liquor establishment and individuals were then moved outside, since the business was closed. **A Local Ordinance ticket was issued to the liquor establishment for Breach of Peace, with the hearing scheduled for January 21, 2025. The liquor establishment did not call the police, which is a liquor license violation and a hearing was requested.**

On December 29th, while conducting extra patrol at Ambitions Entertainment due to a special event, two subjects were fighting and were separated by security and off-duty officers. The subjects were uncooperative and refused police intervention. One subject was transported to the hospital. **A Local Ordinance ticket was issued to the liquor establishment for Breach of Peace, with the hearing scheduled for February 18, 2025. The liquor establishment did not call the police, which is a liquor license violation and a hearing was requested.**

On December 29th, while a police officer was assisting another agency, it was noticed that two subjects exited Ambitions Entertainment and began to fight in front of the club. The officer requested backup due to multiple people now fighting. A subject was observed by an officer of using her car to hit multiple people to get them away from her vehicle. With help from multiple agencies, peace was restored. **A Local Ordinance ticket was issued to the liquor establishment for Breach of Peace, with the hearing scheduled for February 18, 2025. The liquor establishment did not call the police, which is a liquor license violation and a hearing was requested.**

2024 License Classification and Licensing Fees Collected

CLASS	LICENSE NUMBER	LICENSE HOLDER	ADDRESS
A			
\$1,500	24-04	Ambitions Entertainment	4023-4024 Sauk Trail
\$1,500	24-06	Julie's (new owner)	3707 Sauk Trail
\$1,500	24-07	Beggar's Pizza	22149 Governors Hwy.
\$1,500	24-10	Candy's Place Bar & Grill	5093 Sauk Trail
\$1,500	24-11	Bea's Kitchen N Kocktails	5091 Sauk Trail
\$1,500	24-13	Julie's (old owner)	3707 Sauk Trail
\$9,000	6	TOTAL	
A-L	----	----	----
0	0	TOTAL	
B			
\$1,200	24-12	Katie's Convenience	22119 Governors Hwy.
\$1,200	24-14	Katies Cafe	22113 Governors Hwy.
\$2,400	2	TOTAL	
C			
\$1,000	24-01	Joann's Food & Liquor	3625 Sauk Trail
\$1,000	24-05	Richton Liquors	22228 Governors Hwy.
\$1,000	24-16	Walmart #1497	22401 Central Avenue
\$3,000	3	TOTAL	
D	----	----	----
\$800	----	----	----
\$0	0	TOTAL	
E			
\$200	24-02	VFW Post #311	22341 Governors Hwy.
\$200	1	TOTAL	
F			
\$1,250	24-03	Chicago Dough Company	3767 Sauk Trail
\$1,250	1	TOTAL	
G			
\$1,000	24-09	Eduardo Leamon Cigars	3721 Sauk Trail
\$1,000	24-15	Platinum Smokes Hookah & Cigar Lounge	22230 Governors Hwy.
\$2,000	2	TOTAL	
H			
\$1,000	24-08	Lux 223	3701 Sauk Trail
\$1,000	24-17	Something Spectacular 4U Events	22220 Governors Hwy.
\$1,000	24-18	The Shandelier Room	22348 Governors Hwy.
\$3,000	3	TOTAL	
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\$1,200	----	----	----
\$0	0	TOTAL	
\$20,850	18	GRAND TOTAL	

24-04 Ambitions Entertainment (was 24-06)	Class A - \$1,500	Received a new Village liquor license number due to fraud.
24-13 Julie's (old owner)	Class A - \$1,500	Closed 2024.
24-14 Katies Café	Class A - \$1,500	Closed 2024.
24-18 The Shandelier Room	Class H - \$1,000	New liquor license.