

COUNCIL BILL NO. 06-028  
ORDINANCE NO. 4018

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6, ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, OF THE  
ARVADA CITY CODE BY ADDING ARTICLE IV, LIQUOR TASTINGS

WHEREAS, the City of Arvada ("City") regulates the sale, possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages within the city pursuant to Chapter 6 of the Arvada City Code in conjunction with CRS Title 12, Articles 46, 47 and 48; and

WHEREAS, C.R.S. §12-47-301(10), enables local jurisdictions to adopt an ordinance allowing retail liquor stores and liquor-licensed drugstores to conduct sample tastings of alcoholic beverages in their establishments without charging for such tastings, with certain restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the City has a legitimate public purpose in regulating the sampling of alcoholic beverages to protect the health, safety, welfare and quality of life for the citizens of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to adopt an ordinance authorizing tastings pursuant to the state statute.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARVADA, COLORADO:

Section 1. Article IV, Liquor Tastings, of Chapter 6, Alcoholic Beverages, of the Arvada City Code, is hereby added and shall read as follows:

**ARTICLE IV. LIQUOR TASTINGS**

**Sec. 6-151. State law applicable.**

C.R.S. §12-47-301(10), as may be amended from time to time, shall apply to tastings under this article.

**Sec. 6-152. Definition.**

"Tastings" means the sampling of malt, vinous, or spirituous liquors that may occur on the premises of a retail liquor store licensee or liquor-licensed drugstore licensee by adult patrons of the licensee pursuant to the provisions of C.R.S. §12-47-301(10).

**Sec. 6-153. Authorization.**

The city hereby authorizes tastings to be conducted by retail liquor store and liquor-licensed drugstore licensees in accordance with this section and pursuant to C.R.S. §12-47-301(10)(a).

**Sec. 6-154. Application for permit.**

Any retail liquor store or liquor-licensed drugstore licensee wishing to conduct tastings shall submit an application for a permit to the city clerk on forms provided by the city clerk's office. Such application shall be accompanied by a non-refundable annual fee as set by the city.

**Sec. 6-155. Term of permit.**

The tastings permit shall be valid for a period of one year, and shall run and expire concurrently with the license of the retail liquor store or liquor-licensed drugstore; except, that the first tastings permit issued to a retail liquor store or liquor-licensed drugstore licensee shall be valid only until the expiration of the current license.

**Sec. 6-156. Unlawful acts.**

It is unlawful for anyone to conduct tastings without first having obtained a permit to do so in accordance with this article.

**Secs. 6-157-160. Reserved.**

Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective five days after publication following final passage.

INTRODUCED, READ, AND ORDERED PUBLISHED THIS 7th day of August, 2006.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED this 21st day of August, 2006.

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Ken Fellman, Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Christopher K. Daly, City Attorney

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