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TO: Robert W. Healy

FROM: James T. McDavitt

James T. McDavitt

RE: Proposed regulation limiting extra chairs
on licensed premises -- awaiting report item

DATE: February 15, 1991

Please be advised that the License Commission, on February 12th, unanimously voted to finalize the wording of the above described proposal as follows:

"A licensee may keep unused chairs on its premises in a storage room or closet, provided that the number of chairs so kept may not exceed 20% of the total number of chairs designated on the premises' floor plan on file with the License Commission. No unused chairs may be stored elsewhere on the licensed premises."

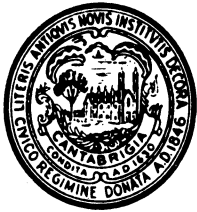
The License Commission also on February 12th decided to vote on this proposed regulation at its next evening meeting, on February 26th.

The rationale for the regulation is that storage of a reasonable number of "extra" unused chairs is appropriate, so that broken chairs may be quickly replaced. However, some licensees have on the premises more unused chairs than used chairs. Further, some have these unused chairs stacked in public portions of the premises. The Commission sees no public need for any number of extra chairs on the premises beyond 20%, and the potential for easily accessible extra chairs to be used in violation of the Liquor Control Act is too real.

Four licensees suggested percentages allowable for extra chairs: 7%, 18%, 50%, 120%. After careful consideration, the Commission has come to the opinion that 20% is the appropriate amount so as to allow a licensee to buy and store extra chairs for use in a law abiding environment.

Please advise if there are comments or questions.

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February 25, 1991

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In reference to Awaiting Report Item No. 21, regarding the proposed regulation limiting extra chairs on licensed premises, please find attached a response from James T. McDavitt, Chairman of the License Commission, relative to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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attachment

CONSENT Agenda # 12

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Awaiting Report Item Number 21 regarding
the proposed regulation limiting extra
chairs on licensed premises.

In City Council,

February 25, 1991

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