

Proposed Changes to Entertainment Districts

The current entertainment district proposal designates a very large, wonky, and hard to follow area as “open container” with potentially unintended consequences for bars and restaurants. Instead we should consider this as a more holistic approach to designating areas where we want to incentivize pedestrians and streetlife, creating three distinct “Arts, Culture & Entertainment (ACE) Districts” that allow for open container, but can have other policies added to them later to help foster these as distinct cultural areas along a “cultural corridor”.

Naming

Rename “Entertainment District” to “Arts, Culture & Entertainment Districts”

Altering the districts

Slim the Downtown District down to a simpler and smaller area between East 3rd St and West 3rd Street, extending into fourth avenue Foodpark. Create three zones: Downtown, South Main, and Grove Street to create a “cultural corridor” with the ability to expand to other areas at the discretion of the City Commission.

Extend Hours

a. Hours. Alcoholic beverage establishments may dispense an open container of an alcoholic beverage for removal from the licensed premises of the alcoholic beverage establishment, and a person may possess and consume an open container of an alcoholic beverage outside of the licensed premises of an alcoholic beverage establishment, only within the hours of 8:00 a.m. to ~~11:30 p.m~~ 2 a.m.

Container flexibility

b. Approved container. Open containers of alcoholic beverages dispensed, possessed, or consumed within the entertainment district(s) pursuant to this article must be in an approved container.

Remove this in its entirety, with a potential explicit ban on glass containers in the districts.

Remove Bar Drink Limit

4-60 c. Drink limit. Alcoholic beverage establishments shall not allow a person to exit its premises with more than one (1) open container of an alcoholic beverage, and no person may exit the premises of an alcoholic beverage establishment with more than one (1) open container of an alcoholic beverage.

Remove this in it's entirety, it could make delivering beer on the streetery unintentionally illegal