



CITY OF BRIDGEPORT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT ANNUAL OPEN CONTAINER PERMIT APPLICATION

Check one: New Application Renewal

SECTION I:

Date: _____

Business Name		Type of Business <input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Association	
Mailing Address	Business Phone	Alternate Phone	
City/State	Zip Code	Sales Tax ID #	
Physical Address (if different from mailing)	City/State/Zip		

Attach copy of each current license issued by the TABC for on-premise and off-premise consumption.

SECTION II:

Applicant's Last Name		Middle Initial	First Name	
Home Address (physical)			Apt. No.	Telephone Number
City/State	Zip Code	Alternate Phone Number		Social Security Number
Driver's License Number & State Issued			Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	
<i>(A valid driver's license or State approved identification card number with photograph is required)</i>			Place of Birth (City, State, Country)	

Attach copy of valid Driver's License or State approved identification card.

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<i>Office use only:</i> PERMIT NUMBER: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Entered into Master Permit Log	Type of license/permits: _____ PERMIT AMOUNT: \$ _____
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SECTION III:

“Sec. 8.01.005 Possession or consumption of open container alcoholic beverages in the Downtown Business District (DBD)

(a) Definitions. The following definitions shall apply in this section:

(1) Downtown Business District (DBD) is that area consisting of businesses or property fronting either side of Halsell Street from the eastern side of the intersection with 8th Street to the western side of the intersection with 13th Street.

(2) Alcoholic beverage shall have the meaning set forth in the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code; being any beverage containing more than one-half percent of alcohol by volume, including but not limited to beer, wine, distilled spirits, or mixed drinks.

(3) Open container means a container that is not longer sealed which contains an alcoholic beverage.

(4) Pedestrian means any person standing, walking or traversing any public roadway, sidewalk, alley, park, or public or private parking lots, within the DBD.

(b) Open Container Possession or Consumption in DBD. Within the DBD, the following regulations shall apply:

(1) Licensed Establishment. Any establishment within the DBD licensed by the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) to dispense alcoholic beverages by the drink for on-premise consumption and for off-premise consumption, is authorized to dispense an alcoholic beverage in a disposable clear plastic cup for removal from the licensed establishment by a pedestrian. The name or logo of the licensed establishment must be on the cup itself or affixed to the cup by a sticker. Additionally, the licensed establishment shall affix a DBD logo sticker to each open container alcoholic beverage cup. It shall be unlawful for any person to consume or possess any open container alcoholic beverage in the DBD which was not purchased at a licensed establishment in the DBD. It shall be unlawful for any licensed establishment to dispense any open container alcoholic beverage in the DBD in any container except a disposable clear plastic cup bearing the name or logo of the licensed establishment and with a DBD logo sticker attached thereto.

(2) City Permit and Logo Stickers. Any licensed establishment desiring to dispense open container alcoholic beverages in the DBD shall apply for an annual permit with the City and pay the permit fee established in the City Fee Schedule. The City shall design and procure the DBD logo stickers required to be placed on the disposable clear plastic cups, and the permit fee shall include the cost of such logo stickers for the licensed establishment which shall be dispensed by the City to the licensed establishment as needed.

(3) One (1) Drink Limit. No licensed establishment shall dispense to any person more than one (1) alcoholic beverage at a time for removal from the licensed establishment, and no person shall remove more than one (1) alcoholic beverage from the licensed establishment at a time.

(4) Drink Size. No container in which an alcoholic beverage is dispensed and removed from a licensed establishment shall exceed sixteen (16) fluid ounces in size. It shall be unlawful for any person to hold in possession within the DBD any open container alcoholic beverage which exceeds sixteen (16) fluid ounces in size.

(5) Cans, Bottles, Glass Prohibition. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess or consume any open container alcoholic beverage from a can, bottle, or glass in the DBD, except as authorized and approved as outdoor dining.

(6) Open Container Hours. The dispensing of open container alcoholic beverages by licensed establishments in the DBD is authorized Monday through Friday between the hours of 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., and Saturday between the hours of 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Extended hours for city approved and permitted special events may be granted with prior approval of the City Council, not to exceed the legal hours under the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code.

(7) Private Property Prohibition. Any private property owner or business owner in the DBD may post signage on their property prohibiting pedestrians from entering their property with open container alcoholic beverages. It shall be unlawful for any person to enter private property with an open container alcoholic beverage if the private property has been posted to prohibit open container alcoholic beverages.”

“Sec. A5.0015 Permit to dispense open container alcoholic beverages in Downton Business District

A permit fee of \$75.00 to be paid annually on January 1, which includes the cost of the Downtown Business District logo stickers required to be placed on all open container alcoholic beverage plastic cups by the licensed establishment pursuant to Sec. 8.01.005 of the Bridgeport City Code. The fee for calendar year 2021 shall be prorated for ten (10) months and shall be paid on or before March 1, 2021 when this ordinance becomes effective.”

AFFIRMATION: I hereby certify that I have carefully read the application and that all the information contained therein is true and correct upon penalty of perjury. I further understand that I am required to abide by all rules and regulations of the City of Bridgeport’s Ordinance relating to open containers of alcoholic beverage in the Downtown Business District as listed above, or as may be amended in the future. I authorize the City of Bridgeport to investigate and verify the facts claimed by me on this application. I understand that any false statement made by me on this application, or any violation of State law or local ordinance regulating alcoholic beverages, may result in the City’s revocation of the permit.

Date: _____

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Printed Name of Applicant

Development Services Approval

Applicant Signature

Date: _____

Police Chief Approval