

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: NEIL JENSEN, City Administrator
SUBJECT: On-Sale Liquor License Prorated Refund
MEETING DATE: April 21, 2020

BACKGROUND

City Council Member Derek Lundell requested to place item On-Sale Liquor License Prorated Refund on the agenda. The Covid-19 virus has closed or hampered many businesses in Cannon Falls and the suggestion to provide a refund of 3 months to help the liquor portion of the businesses was presented. Please find attached a spreadsheet of a 25% reduction in on-sale liquor fees, the businesses that would receive the refund (if approved) and the original yearly license fee.

The reduction in liquor license fees total \$6,412.50 for all the businesses with the majority seeing a reduction of \$737.50 each annually. This would be a one-time refund and should cover the time in which the businesses are closed.

Red Wing has also helped their businesses with a prorated refund of similar size.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Provide a one-time 25% refund of all **On-Sale liquor license holders** as provided in the attached spreadsheet.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Motion to approve a one-time refund of 25% to on-sale liquor license holders.

25% DECREASE IN LIQUOR LICENSING FEES

<u>LICENSEE</u>	<u>YEARLY LICENSE FEE</u>	<u>PROPOSED REDUCTION</u>
Brewster's	\$2950.00	\$737.50
Chugger's	\$2950.00	\$737.50
Cannon River Winery	\$2950.00	\$737.50
Mill Street Tavern	\$2950.00	\$737.50
VFW, Post #4452	\$2950.00	\$737.50
Rancho Loco	\$2950.00	\$737.50
Cannon River Catering	\$2950.00	\$737.50
Artisan Plaza LLC	\$3150.00	\$787.50
Grandstay Hotel	\$1250.00	\$312.50
Tilion	\$600.00	\$150.00
TOTAL:	<u>25,650.00</u>	<u>6412.50</u>