

Downtown South Bend Municipal Riverfront Development District Liquor License Eligibility Requirements and Evaluation Criteria

Eligibility Requirements:

In addition to complying with all building, health, zoning laws, ordinances and all rules and regulations of the Indiana State Alcohol and Tobacco Commission (ATC), local, state, and federal governments applicants must also meet the following local requirements annually in order to be eligible to apply or renew:

1. Applicant's establishment must be located within the Downtown South Bend Municipal Riverfront Development District boundaries.
2. Focus of operation must be on a dining, entertainment or cultural experience rather than an alcohol consumption experience.
3. Beverages must be served in glass containers.
4. Patrons consume food at either a counter or table.
5. Must be a non-smoking establishment (exception made for upscale cigar lounge).
6. Cannot be a private club, nightclub, or adult entertainment venue.
7. No temporary exterior signage will be permitted. Permanent, attached signage is required.
8. Establishments located within the district with an existing 3-way license may not sell their existing license in order to apply for a 221-3 Riverfront license. There will be a minimum 1-year wait between the time any business with an existing license sells their license and will be able to apply for a new license.
9. Fees: Select applicable fee
 - For Downtown Businesses:** Applicant must agree to become a full-paying member of the Downtown Dining Association and/or community partners with Downtown South Bend, Inc. The dues for the Dining Association or required commitment to Downtown South Bend Inc. shall not exceed \$200 per month per establishment (as of Spring 2013 current Dining Alliance dues are \$1,325 annually).
 - For Businesses Outside of Downtown, and within the Municipal Development District:** Applicant must agree to pay a \$300 annual administration fee to Downtown South Bend, Inc.

Evaluation Criteria:

The recommendation to the mayor will be based how strongly the committee determines:

1. Granting of the license will benefit the purposes of the district, i.e. to become a cultural and dining destination for the region.
2. Granting of the license and the business activity will not be detrimental to the property values and business interest of others in the district.

The above will be evaluated based on the strength of the following:

1. The Physical Location
2. The Operation Itself
3. The Economic Impact
4. Reputation/Experience of Ownership

I/We certify that I/We have read and understand the above eligibility requirements & evaluation criteria.

Applicant

Date

