ORDINANCE 2018-016      PASSED: MARCH 26, 2018

AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 38 
"INTOXICATING LIQUORS", SECTION 38.27(c)8 
"GAMBLING DEVICES", OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF 
THE CITY OF DEKALB, ILLINOIS, BY INCREASING 
THE FIXED NUMBER OF LIQUOR LICENSES FOR 
ESTABLISHMENTS THAT QUALIFY AS VIDEO GAMING 
ESTABLISHMENTS BY ONE FOR THE PROPERTY 
LOCATED AT 110-124 E. HILLCREST, SUBJECT TO 
CONDITIONS.

WHEREAS, the City of DeKalb is a home-rule municipality with the powers and 
authority conferred upon it by virtue of the Illinois Constitution, the Illinois Municipal 
Code, the Illinois Liquor Control Act and the City Code of the City of DeKalb; and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2017, the City approved Ordinance 2017-012 
amending Chapter 38 to limit the number of gaming devices in a Video Gaming 
Establishment (VGE) to five (5), and limited the number of liquor licenses with 
supplemental licenses for Video Gaming Terminals (VGTs) to seven (7); and

WHEREAS, RLDR, LLC., Owner of the property located at 110-124 E. Hillcrest 
Drive, and legally described in Exhibit A (Subject Property) desires to operate a 
VGE as defined by the City Code, which requires increasing the fixed number 
of liquor licenses available for establishments that qualify as VGEs by one (1); and

WHEREAS, Owner requests Council approval to amend Chapter 38 to increase the 
fixed number of liquor licenses available for establishments that qualify as VGEs by one (1) for the Subject Property, subject to approval of a special use, including any 
conditions attached thereto, and after satisfying all other requirements of this 
Ordinance and the City Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is necessary and advantageous to 
alter the regulations applicable to video gaming devices as defined within Chapter 38 
of the City Code.

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of DeKalb, 
DeKalb County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 38, Section 38.27(c) 8 is hereby amended as follows by 
increasing the number then in effect in the underlined locations indicated below by 
one (1), only after Owner has been granted special use approval by the City Council 
for a Video Gaming Establishment on the Subject Property, and after Owner has 
satisfied all requirements of the City Code, and all conditions outlined in Section 2 
below:
8. The City has defined Video Gaming Establishments (VGE) within the City’s Unified Development Ordinance. As of the date of passage of this Ordinance, the City has issued seven (7) liquor licenses with supplemental licensure for Video Gaming Terminals to facilities that qualify as VGEs. The City shall hereafter have a fixed number of liquor licenses available for establishments that qualify as VGEs under the Unified Development Ordinance, and that fixed number shall be seven (7), equal to the number presently outstanding. This restriction shall not affect the issuance of Video Gaming Terminal supplemental licenses for facilities that do not qualify as VGEs, nor shall it limit the renewal of existing VGE licenses, nor shall it limit the issuance of VGE licenses at any time, up to the maximum limit of seven (7).

Section 2. Conditions prior to amendment:

1. Licensee shall comply with all applicable requirements and apply for a City of DeKalb Liquor License (inclusive of all sublicenses sought) along with a Video Gaming Establishment license including all Video Gaming terminals sought. Said license application shall be subject to review by City staff and shall be subject to approval by the Mayor, as Liquor Commissioner, based upon the recommendations of staff, including but not limited to a recommendation from the Chief of Police based upon the completion of all required background investigations. The license application shall be required to be submitted within thirty (30) days of the date of this ordinance; failure to timely submit an application shall render this ordinance null and void and of no further effect.

2. Upon receipt of the license application, the City shall have such time as is required to review and forward a recommendation to the Liquor Commissioner. In the event that the liquor commissioner or the City Council rejects the license application, this ordinance shall be null and void and of no further effect. In the event that the application is timely submitted and is approved by the Liquor Commissioner, then the applicant shall have a period of no longer than six (6) months of conditional licensure (after approval by the Liquor Commissioner) to satisfy all prerequisites contained herein and obtain final, unconditional licensure. The Liquor Commissioner may extend this timeline by up to an additional six (6) months. In the event that Licensee fails to obtain final, unconditional licensure within that time period, the conditional license shall be revoked and this ordinance shall be null and void and of no further force or effect.

After issuance, the license shall be subject to all provisions of the City Code of the City of DeKalb, including those provisions pertaining to the term of an initial issuance of liquor license, renewal of liquor license, and similar provisions, unless specifically waived herein.

3. This licensee shall be required to obtain the Liquor commissioner’s approval of a Business Plan and Premises Plan (Plans) which provide for the orderly conduct of the
Licensee. Said Plans shall be subject to approval by the Liquor Commissioner with the advice and recommendation of the Chief of Police, and must be approved prior to commencement of operations of the Subject Property. The City Council expressly authorizes the Liquor Commissioner to approve of further and specific regulations of the uses of the Subject Property within the Plans, either as initially approved or as later amended by the Liquor Commissioner.

4. The License shall be conditioned upon the following conditions precedent to final issuance:

   a. Adherence to the occupancy limit, once established.

   b. Fire Life Safety license must be obtained and maintained.

   c. Registration for payment of all applicable City, State and Federal taxes.

   d. Final approval by the City Police Department and Fire Department of public safety/access restrictions and policies, signage and similar measures.

   e. The Licensee shall successfully complete all pre-license investigations required by City Code.

   f. The Subject Property shall be maintained in accordance with the requirements of City Code and the Premises Plan to be approved, and shall maintain a certificate of occupancy permitting its use.

5. The License shall be deemed to permanently include the following restrictions

   a. The property shall otherwise comply with all applicable City Codes and Ordinances.

   b. The property shall comply with applicable UDO requirements and parking restrictions

6. City staff are authorized and directed to issue a license upon satisfaction of the conditions precedent to issuance, and to thereafter enforce the terms of licensure included herein. Pending completion of those items, a conditional license shall be issued. Said conditional license may be utilized to obtain any required federal or state licensure and may be relied upon by any superior governmental body.

Section 3. All ordinances or portions thereof in conflict with this ordinance, including the prior versions of the ordinances included above, are hereby repealed.
Section 4. Should any provision of this Ordinance be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions will remain in full force and affect the same as if the invalid provision had not been a part of this Ordinance.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after passage and publication pursuant to law. Publication date: March 26, 2018. Effective date: April 5, 2018.


ATTEST:

SUSANNA HERRMANN, City Clerk

JERRY SMITH, Mayor
Exhibit A

Legal Description of Subject Property

LOT 31 IN RIVERVIEW SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 4, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK "N" OF PLATS, PAGE 8, IN DEKALB COUNTY, IL.

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 110-124 E. Hillcrest Drive, DeKalb, IL 60115

PIN: 08-14-329-002