

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. The Planning Department recommends that ARTICLE XXVII of the Zoning Ordinance, which ARTICLE pertains entirely to alcoholic beverage controls not normally found in zoning ordinances, be deleted from the Zoning Ordinance. If the City Commission desires to retain these provisions it is suggested that consideration be given to placing this article in Chapter 4 of the City Code, with further consideration being given to the designation of the City Commission as an appeals body.
2. As such alcoholic beverage controls are not ordinarily within the purview of professional city planners, the Planning Department can only suggest that the Commission consider a reduction of the distance requirements between establishments if it desires to make it possible for licenses being displaced by expressway construction to be relocated without the necessity of a variance.

Considering the fact that establishments must be in the proper zoning district and that they must comply with the requirements for distance from churches and public schools as well as the requirements for distance from each other, the latter distance requirements would probably have to be reduced at least to 1,500 feet for liquor establishments and at least to 1,000 feet for beer and wine bars in order to provide any degree of flexibility in such relocation.

DESCRIPTION:

Your memorandum of October 1, 1964, requesting a study of the current regulations of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance relative to distance requirements applicable to locating liquor and beer and wine licenses. Specific attention to be given to the present distributions of locations and the problem of relocation which will result because of expressway construction, all in accordance with the action taken by the City Commission on September 28, 1964.