



## Tacoma Municipal Code After-Hours Club License

Finance Department – Tax & License Division

Government Performance and Finance  
Committee Meeting  
June 3, 2025



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## OVERVIEW



- New Proposed After-Hours Club License
  - Regulations for social clubs operating 2 a.m. and 6 a.m.
- Amendments to Entertainment licenses
  - TMC Chapters 6B.70 and 6B.80
  - Strengthen and clarify current regulations

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## BACKGROUND



- Over the past five years 27 offenses have been associated with after-hours social clubs
  - 4 homicides
  - 12 aggravated assaults with a gun
  - 11 assaults without a gun
- Dozens of additional calls for noise and disturbance
- Clubs found to be serving alcohol without a valid Washington State Liquor License

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## ISSUE



- New After-Hours Club License
  - Regulate social clubs open after 2 a.m.
  - Require at least two security personnel
  - Require video surveillance at each point of entry
  - Required steps to prevent weapons from entering the premises i.e. metal detectors
  - \$300 annual license fee

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## ISSUE



### 6B.70 and 6B.80 Entertainment License Amendments

- Clarify that live entertainment is not allowed from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m.
- Clarify that the outside of the building is part of the regulated establishment
- Strengthen evidence requirements for private clubs to meet the exemption from 6B.80 license regulations
- Update license fees

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## NEXT STEPS



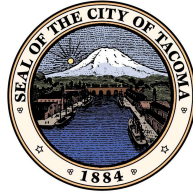
City Council:

First Reading – June 24, 2025

Second Reading – July 1, 2025

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