

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-__

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, CHAPTER 6, ENTITLED “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES”, SECTION 6-12 “RETAIL PACKAGE STORE” AND SECTION 6-13 “RETAIL PACKAGE BEVERAGE STORES; RETAIL BEVERAGE STORES; RETAIL LIQUOR STORES; CLUB VENDORS” BY CHANGING THE PROHIBITED HOURS OF OPERATION ON SUNDAYS FOR RETAIL PACKAGE BEVERAGE STORES; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER PROVISION, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Chapter 6 of the City of Coral Gables Code provides for the regulation of the sale of alcoholic beverages within the City; and

WHEREAS, Section 6-12 of the City Code provides for the hours of operation of retail package liquor stores, and Section 6-13 provides for the hours of operation of retail package beverage stores; and

WHEREAS, currently retail package liquor stores and retail package beverage stores, both of which are defined to provide only for the sale of consumption off the premises, are prohibited from alcoholic sales between the hours of 1:00 am and 9:00 am on Sunday; and

WHEREAS, the number of grocery stores, liquor stores, and stores selling alcohol for off-premises consumption are increasingly often open prior to 9:00 am on Sundays; and

WHEREAS, in order to be consistent with the prohibited hours of operation the other days of the week the City wishes to amend the Code.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That the foregoing “**WHEREAS**” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Ordinance upon adoption hereof

SECTION 2. That Chapter 6- Alcoholic Beverages of the City of Coral Gables City Code be amended as indicated as follows¹:

Sec. 6-12. Retail package store.

The business of retail package liquor stores, as classified in section 6-2, may be operated only between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight each day, except that such business may continue open through Saturday night to 1:00 a.m. on Sunday. No alcoholic beverages may be sold or dispensed by any such retail package beverage stores between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 7:00 a.m. on weekdays and Saturdays, and between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 7 9:00 a.m. on Sunday.

Sec. 6-13. Retail package beverage stores; retail beverage stores; retail liquor stores; club vendors.

(a) The business of retail package beverage stores, as classified in section 6-2, may be operated only between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight (prevailing time) each day, except that such business may continue open through Saturday night to 1:00 a.m. on Sunday. No alcoholic beverages may be sold or dispensed by any such retail package beverage stores between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 7:00 a.m. on weekdays, and between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 79:00 a.m. on Sunday.

(b) The business of retail beverage stores, as classified in section 6-2, may be operated only between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight (prevailing time) each day, except that such business may continue open through Saturday night to 1:00 a.m. on Sunday. No alcoholic beverages may be sold or dispensed by any such licensees between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 7:00 a.m. on weekdays and between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. on Sundays.

(c) The business of retail liquor stores and club vendors, as classified in section 6-2, may be operated daily, including Sundays, only between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. the following day. No alcoholic beverages or intoxicating liquors may be sold or dispensed by any such licensees between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. daily, including Sunday.

(d) The business of retail liquor stores in hotels and motels may be operated daily between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. the following day.

¹ ¹ Deletions are indicated by ~~striketrough~~. Insertions are indicated by underline.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. If any section, part of section, paragraph, clause, phrase or word of this Ordinance is declared invalid, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall not be affected.

SECTION 5. It is the intention of the Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made part of the City of Coral Gables City Code and that the sections of this “ordinance” may be changed to “section”, “article”, or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such intentions.

SECTION 6. If the City of Coral Gables City Code Table of Contents or other reference portions is affected by these provisions, then changes are approved as a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, A.D. 2024.

APPROVED:

VINCE LAGO

MAYOR

ATTEST:

BILLY Y. URQUIA

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CRISTINA M. SUÁREZ
CITY ATTORNEY