

## Club Rules:

A Liquor License and Special Use Permit are both necessary but completely separate and independent from another.

### Liquor License/License Review Board (LRB)

- Any business serving alcohol requires a liquor license with NPUs having opportunity to provide comment.
- The Liquor Review Board (LRB) meets twice on Tuesdays; but criteria is limited per Sec. 10-57 including:
  - Applicant eligibility and qualifications.
  - Distance requirements to certain other uses (including private residences, public park, library, church, hospital, school, and youth recreational facility).
  - Minimum parking: at 1 space per 75 square feet of floor area per Sec. 10-1.

### Zoning/Special Use Permits (SUP)

- Certain businesses selling or serving alcohol (including 'Bar', 'Brewpub', 'Package Store', 'Private Club' and 'Restaurant') are all allowed by-right.
- Any 'lounge' or 'nightclub' (as defined below) requires Special Use Permit (SUP) per Sec. 16-18P.005.  
**Lounge** means a separate room connected with a part of and adjacent to a restaurant or located in a hotel or located in any airport owned by the city, with all booths, stools and tables being unobstructed and open to view. All lounges shall be air conditioned and shall have a seating capacity for at least 50 persons. However, lounges located in any airport owned or operated by the city shall be exempt from the seating capacity requirement. A lounge that is operated on a different floor in the premises or in a separate building or that is not connected to or adjacent to a restaurant shall be considered a separate establishment and an additional license fee shall be paid therefore.  
  
**Nightclub** means an establishment having a capacity of at least 100 persons per the City of Atlanta Fire Code, with all booths and tables unobstructed and open to view, dispensing alcoholic beverages and in which music, dancing or entertainment is conducted. All such establishments shall be equipped with air conditioning. The principal business of a nightclub shall be entertaining, and the serving of alcoholic beverages shall be incidental thereto.
- The SUP process requires submitting application, NPU recommendation (similar to LRB), Zoning Review Board (see below), Zoning Committee and full City Council and is a minimum 3 month process. This application and timing are found on the City's website.
- The Zoning Review Board meets twice monthly on Thursdays. The criteria to evaluate a SUP (per Sec. 16-25.002(3)(a-h)) would reasonably allow asking the applicant to provide information prior to any NPU meeting to allow for adequate review and feedback including:
  - A site plan including buildings, marked parking areas, landscaped area and trees, driveways and adjacent rights-of way.
  - A traffic and parking management plan (including signage).
  - A description of the operational/business plan (including security).
  - A pedestrian queuing plan (including barriers and signage).
  - A maintenance plan (including regular trash/debris receptacles & clean-up).
  - A sound and light mitigation plan.