STATE OF GEORGIA  
CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS  

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS REVISING THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CODE TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT OF FENCES IN OPEN AREA PATIOS AT RESTAURANTS  

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sandy Springs are charged with preserving the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City; and  

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council previously adopted Alcoholic Beverages regulations, included in the City’s Code as Chapter 6, and as part of said regulations, included requirements for restaurants to have enclosed outdoor patio areas in order to allow for service of alcohol therein; and  

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council find that said regulations are no longer conducive to cultivation of commercial eating establishments in the City and the requirement to have the outdoor patio area enclosed does not increase the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City.  

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Sandy Springs, Georgia, hereby Ordains as follows:  

Section 1: The City of Sandy Springs, Georgia, Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by revising Chapter 6 (Alcoholic Beverages), Article II (Vendors), Section 6-32 (Open Area Patio Sales) to read as follows:  

Sec. 6-32. Open Area Patio Sales.  

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, it shall be unlawful for any person to sell, serve, or otherwise dispense alcoholic beverages outside the licensed premises structure.  

(b) A consumption licensee may sell, serve, or otherwise dispense alcoholic beverages in a patio/open area type environment if approved by the city manager to do so, and so long as said patio/open area is not located on the City right of way and is otherwise not blocking the safe passage of pedestrian or vehicular traffic,  

(c) Nothing contained in this section shall prohibit a hotel or motel with a consumption on the premises license from making sales and allowing consumption of alcoholic beverages in ballrooms, meeting rooms, reception rooms, or patio areas, provided such functions are catered in connection with a meeting, conference, convention, or similar type gathering at such hotel or motel.  

Section 2: This Amendment shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council, and incorporated into the Code of the City of Sandy Springs, Georgia. This Amendment hereby repeals any and all conflicting ordinances and amendments.  

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this the 21st day of March, 2017.
ORDINANCE NO. 2017-03-06

Approved:

Russell K. Paul, Mayor

Attest:

Michael D. Casey, City Clerk

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