



## Bulletin from Mayor Elaine Scruggs

Over the years, I have developed programs and held special events to encourage citizen education and involvement. A closer relationship between City Hall and Glendale residents results in a more responsive and effective city government. That is why I strongly encourage all of you to contact my office with any questions or concerns.



Recently, a question came to my office about the liquor licensing process and why some establishments are granted licenses while others are not. The Arizona State Liquor Board makes the determination on whether or not an applicant is issued a liquor license. Our City Council makes a recommendation of “approval” or “denial” to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (ADLLC), and they are then able to act, independent of our recommendation.



The City of Glendale posts a sign on the proposed business premises, notifying citizens of a liquor license application, for a period of 20 days prior to the City Council making our recommendation to the State Liquor Board. If our City Council recommends approval of a license application, the ADLLC will generally issue the license without any further action by the City. However, state law allows an individual, who owns or leases a property within one mile of the potential property, to file a written protest for a hearing with the State Liquor Board.



If the City Council recommends denial of a liquor license, the State Liquor Board will schedule a hearing on the application. An individual from the Glendale City Attorney’s Office represents Glendale at all hearings before the State Liquor Board. A representative of the applicant will also have the opportunity to present their case at the hearing. The State Liquor Board then makes the final determination as to whether or not the applicant will be issued a liquor license.



I appreciate the opportunity to answer questions related to the City of Glendale. Please contact my office with any topics that you are interested in for future bulletins.



*Thank you taking the time to read my “Glendale Bulletins”. Please contact me at (623) 930-2260 or [mayorscruggs@glendaleaz.com](mailto:mayorscruggs@glendaleaz.com), if you have any comments or questions. I strive to provide the most timely information and best possible service to you, the citizens of Glendale. I sincerely appreciate your feedback.*

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