



Date: July 20, 2026

To: City Commission

From: Angie Bear, City Clerk

Re: New Liquor License Classification

The Liquor Control Board received a request for consideration of a new liquor license classification. The request cannot be accommodated with our existing license classes. The new concept would be to allow alcohol in designated areas of the Hector International Airport. There will be areas throughout the terminal designated as "alcohol free" zones and the license classification will follow all alcohol state laws.

The Liquor Control Board is requesting the City Commission direct the Assistant City Attorney and the City Clerk to work with the requestor to create a new classification of liquor license, A-Airport.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

DIRECT THE CITY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY AND CITY CLERK TO CREATE A NEW LIQUOR LICENSE CLASSIFICATION.

MEMORANDUM

TO: MEMBERS OF THE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD
FROM: STACEY TJON BOSSART – ATTORNEY TO THE MAA
DATE: July 8, 2026
RE: History of the discussions between Sky Dine, MAA and the LCB

The following provides the history of discussions related to Sky Dine's liquor license (A license) for which it operates at the Airport as the beverage concessionaire, including the sale of alcoholic beverages in their delineated area located on the second level post security. Currently, the delineated area involves only the bar area. Sky Dine has been a concessionaire at the Airport since January 1, 2011, and has provided quality customer service to airport patrons.

Discussions amongst Airport board members have been ongoing dating back to March of 2025 regarding the Authority's desire to have the consumption area expanded to the entire concourse with certain exceptions and previously stated (restrooms, children's play area, sensory room, immersive reality room, mother's nurturing room, animal relief area and security check point).

As a result of the Authority's desire to have the consumption area expanded to the entire concourse, there have been ongoing discussions with the City, including the City Attorney's office and Auditor's office. Likewise, Sky Dine and the Airport have appeared at LCB meetings on January 21, 2026, February 18, 2026, and May 21, 2026, to make continued presentations as to the idea of how to make the consumption area the entire concourse with the exceptions noted above. These meetings have been productive in moving toward this potential goal if authorized by the LCB.

With ongoing discussions, these turned to drafting a new license specific to the Airport (Airport A license) which has previously been presented to the LCB. The Airport and Sky Dine drafted this proposed license and provided it to the City Attorney's office for review and comment and the parties worked through some further language/items, including designating alcohol-free zones. The LCB received the updated map at the last meeting of the Board. With Wednesday's meeting, discussions will continue.

