# VILLAGE OF SUGAR GROVE BOARD REPORT

**TO:** VILLAGE PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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ADMINISTRATOR/VILLAGE CLERK

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION: LIQUOR STORE POUR LICENSE

AGENDA: MARCH 1, 2022 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 24, 2022

#### ISSUE

Should the Village Board discuss creating an on premise "pour" license for liquor stores to allow for video gaming.

## **DISCUSSION**

At the February 1, 2022 Village Board meeting, the Board created a new liquor license classification to accommodate video gaming at gas stations/convenience stores, Class R, with provisions to limit the service to be ancillary to the operation of the store.

Since that time, the Village has received an inquiry by a potential buyer of Village Liquors who would like to offer video gaming at the location. The Village does not currently have a "pour" license for liquor stores. Staff is not aware of any municipalities that allow for this type of license.

Staff does not support the request at this time. The recent gas station/convenience store "pour" license is anticipated to result in two new gaming opportunities in the Village in the next year. It is also anticipated that there will be requests in the near future for gaming café's which may be a better avenue for gaming expansion if desired.

## COST

There is no cost to discuss the issue. If the Board moves forward with creating a new liquor license classification, there will be attorney's fees and codification costs of approximately \$500.

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Village Board deny the request to create an on premise "pour" license for liquor stores to allow for video gaming at this time.