

**CITY OF LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN  
CITY PLAN COMMISSION  
REPORT  
April 3, 2017**

➤ **AGENDA ITEM - 17-0162 (Tim Acklin)**

AN ORDINANCE to create Section 115-347(8) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse allowing distilleries in the C-1 Local Business, C-2 Commercial, and C-3 Community Business zoning districts by a Conditional Use Permit.

➤ **ROUTING:** J&A Committee, Public Hearing 4/4/17 7:30 p.m.

➤ **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The proposed Ordinance would allow for small scale distilleries in the C-1 Local Business, C-2 Commercial, and C-3 Community Business zoning districts by a Conditional Use Permit. There has been some interest from the business community in establishing a local distillery in La Crosse, however, current code does not permit them unless they are located in a Heavy Industrial zoning district.

➤ **GENERAL LOCATION:**

City-Wide in the C-1 Local Business, C-2 Commercial, and C-3 Community Business zoning districts.

➤ **RECOMMENDATION OF OTHER BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

N/A

➤ **CONSISTENCY WITH ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:**

N/A

➤ **PLANNING RECOMMENDATION:**

This item was referred for 30 days in order for the Fire Inspection and Building Safety Department and the Planning and Development Department to understand and educate themselves on all of the State and Federal requirements associated with licensing in order to make sure that all appropriate safety concerns are addressed. The amended Ordinance that has been created is attached as part of the legislation. Staff is in support of this use particularly in our Downtown as it has the potential to provide a unique experience to both visitors and La Crosse residents. **This Ordinance as amended by the both Departments is recommended for approval.**