

CITY COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

TITLE	Michigan Liquor Control Commission Blue Goat Royal Oak, LLC (d.b.a. Blue Goat)
SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT	Police Department
PRESENTER	Chief Michael Moore
MEETING DATE	April 28, 2025
SECOND READING REQUIRED	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
CERTIFIED RESOLUTION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY *(include history of previous Commission action/discussion, background, scope of work, etc.):*

The Royal Oak Police Department has received a request from Blue Goat Royal Oak, LLC, to review a new proposed plan of operation to be located at 321 S. Main Street, Royal Oak, Michigan (formerly City Ramen). The Class C and SDM liquor license with Sunday Sales (AM and PM) is being purchased from Redsmoke Royal Oak, LLC, currently in escrow at 218 S. Main Street, Royal Oak, Michigan. They will be doing business as Blue Goat.

If approved, Blue Goat will operate as an upscale Mediterranean restaurant and full-service bar. The Blue Goat menu will feature Saganaki, Gyros, Salads, Ribeye, Lamb Chops, and an assortment of side dishes. The applicants anticipate the food to alcohol ratio to be 80% food to 20% alcohol.

The requested hours of operation are 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Monday through Sunday. The total proposed interior seating is for 50 patrons, including 10 seats at the bar. Blue Goat is not requesting an Entertainment Permit nor Dance Permit and will not feature an Outdoor Service Area.

My findings indicate the applicants meet the requirements necessary to be granted this request. The police department does not anticipate this request to cause any additional strain on police resources. Therefore, the police department does not object to this request.

Fiscal Impact

BUDGET SUMMARY	
EXPENDITURE REQUIRED	
AMOUNT CURRENTLY BUDGETED	
BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED	\$0.00 (BA between dept; net -0- effect on FB)
FUNDING SOURCE/ GL NUMBER	
WAS THIS A BUDGETED EXPENSE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

OTHER FISCAL IMPACTS: (Select all that apply.)

☐ No fiscal impact

☐ Workload impact (details below)

☐ Revenue impact (details below)

☐ Operations Impact (details below)

REVENUE IMPACT: *Provide a description of how this item will impact revenue. (Is this item expected to create additional/new revenue? Will this item have a negative impact on revenue? Which funds would be impacted? Provide additional details, as necessary.)*

N/A

WORKLOAD IMPACT: *If this item will require staff time to implement, operate or maintain, provide a description of the workload impact. (Will more staff be needed? Is this workload able to be absorbed by existing staff? If new FTE(s) are needed, provide details of position classification and duties. Provide additional details, as necessary.)*

N/A

OPERATIONS IMPACT: *If the item requires a budget adjustment, please identify source of additional funds and any proposed cuts to other operations, programs and services.*

N/A

ALIGNMENT WITH COMMISSION APPROVED PLANS, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS

Provide a description of how this item aligns with the strategic plan, aging in place plan, and sustainability and climate action plans. Include any specific goals or action steps it supports.

N/A

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Provide a description of any community engagement efforts made for this item. Include information on tools used, participation information, and general sentiments.

Public hearing not required by ordinance.

BOARD AND COMMISSION FEEDBACK

Was an advisory board or commission engaged in discussion on this item? If yes, please provide a summary of feedback received:

LEGAL COMMENTS

Reviewed by the city attorney with accompanying memorandum.

PROPOSED COMMISSION RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved, that the City Commission hereby approves the Plan of Operation, dated March 27, 2025, for Blue Goat Royal Oak, LLC d/b/a Blue Goat, located at 321 S. Main Street, Royal Oak, Michigan.

ATTACHMENTS:

City Attorney Memorandum
Police Department Memorandum
Proposed Plan of Operation
Proposed Floor Plan
Current Plan of Operation