



City of Fort Oglethorpe

Package Store Post-Application Deadline Questions and Answers

June 22, 2022

Below is a list of questions asked at the Council meeting held on
Tuesday, June 21, 2022, at 4:30 pm.

1. **Question:** When will the lottery be held?

Answer: The lottery will be held during the regularly scheduled July 11, 2022, Council meeting at 6pm. The meeting will be held at 500 City Hall Drive, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia 30742.

2. **Question:** Who will perform the drawings for each district?

Answer: A representative from JHM Certified Public Accountants will perform the drawings.

3. **Question:** What will be the process of the lottery drawings?

Answer: The lottery drawings will be performed in alphabetical order by district. The first drawing will be held for District A, the second drawing will be held for District B, and the third and final drawing will be held for District C. Successful applicants who have submitted applications in multiple districts will be bound by the results of the first drawing in which they are successful. However, that applicant's name will not be removed from subsequent lottery drawings. If that applicant is again selected in subsequent drawings, a new name will be drawn. For example, if an applicant is selected in the lottery drawing for District A and is later also selected in District C, the applicant will be eliminated from consideration in District C and a new applicant name will be selected.

4. **Question:** If an applicant has submitted applications for multiple districts and is selected in more than one district, can they choose which district in which they wish to open a store?

Answer: No. If an applicant has submitted applications in multiple districts, the applicant will be bound by the first drawing in which he/she is selected. For example, if an applicant has submitted applications in all three districts and is selected in the lottery drawing for District A, the applicant will be excluded from selection in all remaining districts, regardless of whether his/her name is selected in subsequent drawings.

5. **Question:** May an applicant who has been selected in the lottery decide to rescind his/her application for a district if that applicant is later selected for another district?

Answer: No. If an applicant wishes to rescind his/her application from a given district, he/she must do so prior to the lottery drawings and in writing.

6. **Question:** Can an applicant who is selected for one location in the lottery switch locations with another lottery winner for a different district?

Answer: No. Successful applicants will be bound by the results of the lottery and will not be permitted to switch districts with other successful applicants. Further, successful applicants will be bound to open stores at the locations that are stated on their applications, unless permitted to change a location pursuant to Ordinance No. 2022-01.



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7. **Question:** Will a certificate of compliance be issued to the lottery winners upon the completion of the lottery drawings?

Answer: No. A certificate of compliance will not be issued. The City will issue to the three successful applicants signed certificates stating that they have been selected in the City's lottery to receive a license for the wholesale and retail sale of packaged distilled beverages in the City of Fort Oglethorpe. The successful applicants will be required to follow all laws, ordinances, and processes, including, but not limited to, building, planning, and zoning matters and all other applicable local, state, and federal laws and processes.

8. **Question:** Must an applicant be present during the lottery on July 11, 2022, to be selected in the lottery?

Answer: No. Applicants do not need to be present to be selected for the lottery. Applicants may send a representative to the July 11, 2022, meeting if they wish to do so. The signed certificate stating the name of the lottery winner may be released to an applicant's representative if that representative has valid government identification and a signed, notarized power of attorney document allowing for that information to be given to the representative. The information may also be released to an applicant's attorney, should the applicant designate the attorney to appear on his/her behalf. Otherwise, the certificate will be held at Fort Oglethorpe's City Hall in the office of the City Clerk until the applicant comes to claim it. Applicants and/or their representatives will be required to show valid government identification (i.e., driver's license, passport, etc.) for this certificate to be released.