

CHAPTER 2022-246

House Bill No. 1107

An act relating to City of Inverness, Citrus County; creating a special zone; providing boundaries; providing an exception to general law; providing requirements for the issuance of a special permit for a bona fide licensed vendor operating within the described area for the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption off the licensed premises and on public rights-of-way and public park property during city-approved special events; providing that special permits are in addition to certain other authorized temporary permits; requiring a bona fide licensed vendor to comply with all other statutory requirements; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. There is created a special zone in the City of Inverness to be known as the “Downtown Inverness Entertainment District,” more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the corner of the east right-of-way line of North Seminole Avenue and the south right-of-way line of West Dampier Street; thence east along the south right-of-way line of West Dampier Street to the east right-of-way line of North Pine Avenue; thence north for 250 feet along the east right-of-way line of North Pine Avenue; thence east for 375 feet to the center line of North Apopka Avenue; thence south to the south right-of-way line of West Dampier Street; thence east to the east right-of-way line of North Apopka Avenue; thence south to the intersection of the east right-of-way line of North Apopka Avenue and the northeast right-of-way line of Courthouse Square; thence southeast along the northeast right of way line of Courthouse Square to the terminus of such right of way at its intersection with East Main Street; thence southwest to the east corner of “Courthouse Square,” CITY OF INVERNESS, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 36, Public Records of Citrus County; thence northwest to the north corner of “Courthouse Square,” CITY OF INVERNESS, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 36, Public Records of Citrus County; thence southwest to the west corner of “Courthouse Square,” CITY OF INVERNESS, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 36, Public Records of Citrus County; thence southeast 103 feet along the southwest boundary of “Courthouse Square,” CITY OF INVERNESS, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 36, Public Records of Citrus County; thence southwest to the northeast corner of Lot 23 Block 101; thence northwest to the intersection of the west right-of-way line of Courthouse Square and the south right-of-way line of West Main Street; thence west along the south right-of-way line of West Main Street to the west right-of-way line of North Pine Avenue; thence north for 260 feet along the west right-of-way line of North Pine Avenue; thence west for

331 feet to the east right of way line of North Seminole Avenue; thence north to the point of beginning.

Section 2. Notwithstanding the Beverage Law or any other provision of law, the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation shall issue a permit to a bona fide licensed vendor operating a licensed premises in the Downtown Inverness Entertainment District described in section 1, during a special event approved or declared by the City of Inverness to temporarily sell alcoholic beverages in open containers for consumption on the premises or in open containers to be removed from the premises by patrons and consumed within the Downtown Inverness Entertainment District. The type and color of the open container may be identified in the resolution approved by the City of Inverness. Such permit is valid only for the duration of each special event approved by the city manager.

Section 3. The special permit authorized by this act shall be granted in addition to any other temporary permits authorized pursuant to the Beverage Law.

Section 4. A bona fide licensed vendor shall comply with all other requirements of chapter 561, Florida Statutes, while conducting business pursuant to a special permit authorized by this act.

Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor May 6, 2022.

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