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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Don Keil and the Seguin City Council Douglas G. Faseler, Seguin City Manager

From: Kyle Kramm, Main Street and CVB Director

Subject: Extension of Hours for Sale of Alcohol

Date: February 13, 2018

The Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission allows for bars and restaurants to sell alcohol for on-site consumption until 12:00 a.m. Sunday – Friday and until 1:00 a.m. on Saturdays, called the Standard Hours. Cities are able to elect to offer Extended Hours, or allow the sale of alcohol for on-site consumption until 2:00 a.m. every night. Currently Seguin follows the Standard Hours.

Chart 1: Extended v. Standard Hours	
Extended Hours	Standard Hours
2AM Every Night	12AM S-F & 1AM Sat.
Arlington	Bastrop
Boerne	Georgetown
El Paso	Gonzales
Frisco	McKinney
Grand Prairie	New Braunfels
Huntsville	Round Rock
Katy	
Kerrville	
Kyle	
Live Oak	
Plano	
San Angelo	
San Marcos	
Selma	
Temple	
Uvalde	
Waco	

Attached to this memo you will find a letter from The Warehouse requesting extended hours. Following the request to extend hours, Main Street staff performed research and due diligence on the subject. Listed in Chart 1 is a breakdown of peer communities who follow the Extended Hours versus Standard Hours.

The Seguin Police Department has expressed no opposition to extended hours as it is a growing practice across Texas.

However, several downtown businesses and property owners have expressed concern with

the extended hours as a potential endangerment to public health and private property as the potential for increased inebriation with the extended hours. Already with an increased active night life in downtown there has been an increase in litter and damage to private property, and the businesses are concerned that extending the hours would lead to an increase in damages and litter.

Any establishment wishing to operate during the extended hours will have to attain an additional permit through TABC for operations during extended hours.

Staff is seeking direction from City Council on this request and whether Council wishes to consider an ordinance extending the hours at a future City Council meeting. Should Council wish to do this, staff recommends an automatic review of the hours in six months.