



# CITY OF CONCORD

## REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Deputy Chief Gregory S. Taylor

**DATE:** June 30, 2020

**SUBJECT:** 2020 Alcohol Compliance Education Grant Program

**Recommendation** - Through the City Manager, authorize the Police Department to apply for grant funding through the New Hampshire Division of Liquor Enforcement and Licensing - Alcohol Compliance Education Grant Program for funding to conduct liquor license compliance checks.

**Background** – The New Hampshire Division of Liquor Enforcement has grant funding available to partner with local law enforcement agencies to conduct compliance checks at liquor licensees within the City. These checks will be conducted at all establishments selling alcoholic beverages to ensure that illegal alcohol sales are not taking place. The City of Concord has 117 establishments licensed to sell alcohol. This grant will cover overtime costs, excluding fringe benefit expenses, associated with members of the Department partnering with Liquor Enforcement Officers and conducting these compliance checks. The Police Department will account for the fringe benefit expenses through its operating budget. Members of the Department will adhere to Liquor Enforcement’s compliance check policies while conducting these operations.

**Discussion** – Alcohol sales compliance checks play an important role in battling illegal alcohol sales in the community. The Department is supportive of these measures and desires to partner with Liquor Enforcement in this effort. It is recommended that the City Council allow the Police Department to apply for this grant funding provided through the NH Division of Liquor Enforcement and Licensing – Alcohol Compliance Education Program.