

**AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF SOCIAL DISTRICTS AS
DEFINED IN N.C.G.S. §160A-205.4 AND §18B-904.1**

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly passed and Governor Cooper signed into law on September 10, 2021 An Act To Make Various Changes To The Alcoholic Beverage Control (“ABC”) Commission Laws (“House Bill 890”); and

WHEREAS, House Bill 890 authorizes cities to adopt an ordinance designating social districts in accordance with North Carolina General Statutes §160A-205.4 and §18B-904.1;

WHEREAS, social districts are defined outdoor areas in which a person may consume alcoholic beverages sold by an ABC Commission permittee, with the goal of encouraging foot traffic to downtown businesses; and

WHEREAS, the City of High Point (“City”) desires to designate social districts to further this important goal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT, NORTH CAROLINA THAT:

Addition of the following:

“Section ___ Social Districts

1. **Designation.** Pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 160A-205.4, one (1) or more social districts may be designated within the City.
2. **Management.** Social Districts shall be designated, managed, and maintained in accordance with the requirements contained in G.S. 160A-205.4 and G.S. 18B-904.1.
3. **Social Districts.** The City hereby designates the following:
 - (a) Catalyst Social District, which is designated as the area within the City as more particularly described on and attached as Exhibit A to this ordinance.
4. **Registration.** Any business located in or contiguous to a social district that holds a valid Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission permit and desires to engage as a social district participant shall register with the City by completing and submitting all required paperwork. The City reserves the right to revoke a business’s registration at any time if it violates this section or any related City requirement.
5. **Compliance with Laws.** The social district participant shall be solely responsible to operate its business in accordance with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances.
6. **Violation.** Any violation of this section is punishable as a misdemeanor.

7. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.
8. This ordinance shall become effective April 21, 2022.”


Adopted by the City Council of the City of High Point
This the 21st day of March 2022

Mayor Jay Wagner


ATTEST:


Lisa B. Vierling
City Clerk

City of High Point - Catalyst Social District

 District Boundary




0 50 100 200 300 Feet


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