

Falmouth Police Department

Memo

To: Town Council
From: Chief Ed Tolan
CC: Ellen Planer
Date: 4/22/2016
Re: Alcohol sales at the Farmer's Market

Per for your request for my opinion on the potential sale of hard cider at the Farmers' Market, I am writing to express my opposition to the sale of alcoholic beverages at this location.

As you are aware the area adjacent to the Farmers' Market is the Legion Field complex which is home to multiple baseball/softball fields, which are primarily utilized by adolescent ball players and their families. Additionally there is a playground in this area which is designated a "Child Play Area".

In addition to the aforementioned factors, **Art. II-14-4, Use of Parks and Public Grounds, Sec. 14-121.4**, states, "Alcohol/Tobacco. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco products are prohibited in park and public land areas."

In my opinion the language of the ordinance prohibiting alcoholic beverages on park and public lands should be sufficient to prohibit the sale of hard cider at the Farmers' Market.