

Memo

To: Town Council
From: Lucky D'Ascanio, Director Parks & Community Programs
CC: Ellen Planer
Date: 4/21/2016
Re: Alcohol in Town Parks & Public Spaces

As a follow-up to our email correspondence, I am writing to express my opposition to allowing the sale of alcoholic beverages at the Farmer's Market located at the parking lot of the Legion Field Complex and American Legion Post #164. Town Ordinance **(ART. II-14-4. USE OF PARKS AND PUBLIC GROUNDS, Sec. 14-121.4)** clearly states that alcohol is prohibited in parks and public lands. (See below)

4. **Alcohol/tobacco.** Alcoholic beverages and tobacco products are prohibited in park and public land areas.

As you are aware, the Legion Field Complex is home to four baseball/softball fields, two tennis courts as well as a playground and pedestrian walkway for residents to enjoy. This area is designated a "Child Play Area" and thus should not be a location where alcohol is permitted in any form.

While I am in favor of a Farmer's Market in this area, as Director of Parks & Community Programs, I cannot support the sale of alcohol on or adjacent to Town parks and public spaces.