



Village of Northbrook

DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING SERVICES

Zoning Code Interpretation

Purpose:	Interpret the Meaning of the Term "Live Entertainment"
Northbrook Zoning Code Section(s):	Master Use Table Multiple Zoning Districts
Date:	February 2, 2009

Reason for Interpretation

The Northbrook Zoning Code uses the term "Live Entertainment" in conjunction with several Northbrook S.I.C. Numbers, including:

5812.02: Live Entertainment Accessory to Permitted Eating Places

5813.01: Drinking Places Accessory to Permitted Eating Places with Live Entertainment

The term "Live Entertainment" is not defined in the Northbrook Zoning Code.

The purpose of the interpretation is to establish guidelines to differentiate between live entertainment activities that are permitted and those that require a special permit.

Interpretation:

The following conditions must be met to qualify as live entertainment that is allowed without requiring special permit approval.

1. The live entertainment shall be free of charge, with no additional cover.
2. The sound of the live entertainment shall meet the noise control requirements of the Municipal Code.
3. The live entertainment shall be conducted completely within a building or within a structure that contains a roof.
4. The owner/operator shall be responsible for enforcing all applicable occupancy limits and other Village regulations.

All other live entertainment accessory to a restaurant not meeting the above conditions must request and receive approval for a special permit for live entertainment accessory to permitted eating places or a special permit for live entertainment accessory to drinking places accessory to permitted eating places.

Reviewed and Affirmed:

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