



City of Detroit Detroit City Council

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Memorandum

TO: David Whitaker, Legislative Policy Division

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THROUGH: Mary Sheffield, City Council President

FROM: Mary Waters, Councilmember At-Large

RE: Request to Draft Ordinance RE Business Licensing and Safety Violations

Please work between the Law Department and LPD with our office to draft an ordinance that addresses business licenses that are suspended for safety violations. We would like to have the law amended to state that businesses which have operating licenses suspended for safety violations (ex. businesses shut down for customer abuse, locking-in customers, creating an environment that facilitates violent crime, etc) cannot sell their business to a closely-held legal entity (any company owned by a relative) and have their license reinstated.