



DORA

Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area

What is a DORA:

- This is a district within the downtown where A and D permit holders can sell alcohol, by the cup, to patrons and they would be able to walk or dine within the boundaries set up by the program during designated days, times and events.
- This was a new program effective April 30, 2017 for communities less than 35,000 people with a maximum size of 150 acres. (ORC – Section 4301.82)

Mission:

The Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area will serve to enhance the experiences of the patrons of the business establishments and the special events within the Downtown Van Wert area.

Purpose:



This is a tool to increase foot traffic within the downtown area while enhancing our quality of life.

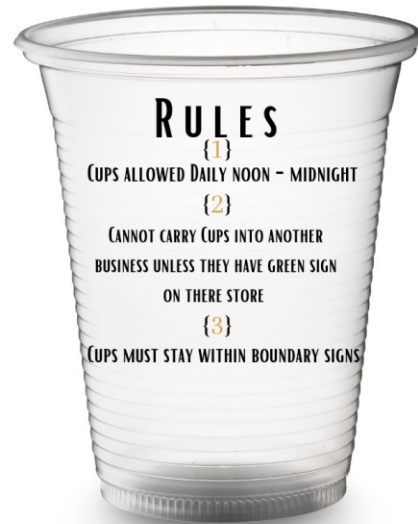


With limited area on sidewalks for outdoor seating, this eliminates the need for fencing an area adjacent to the building for seating and drinking alcohol with meals. It will enhance the dining experience.



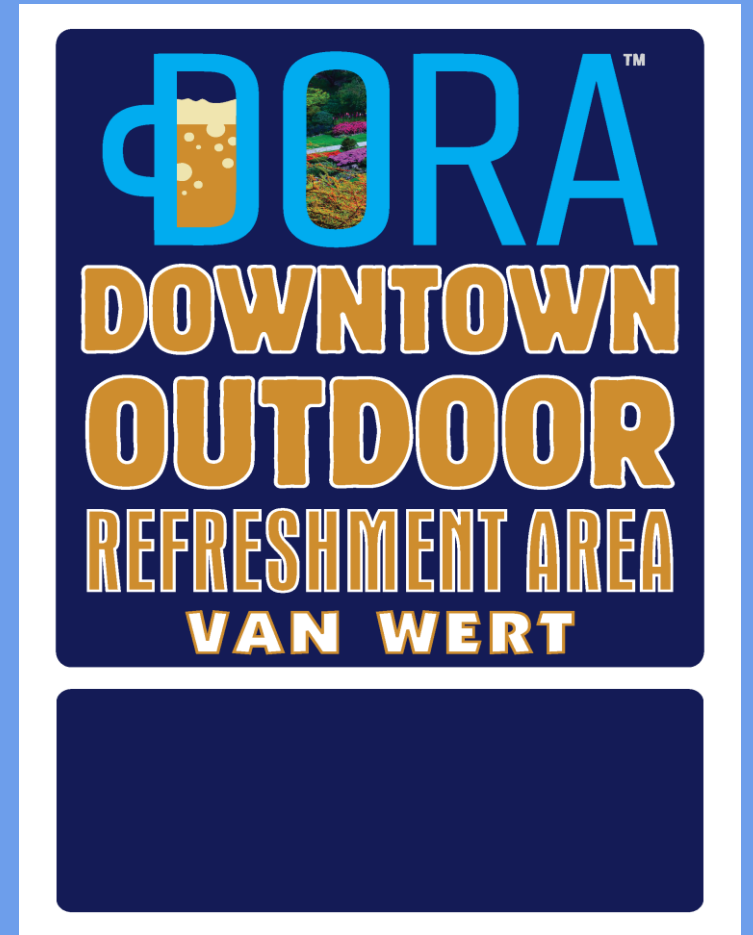
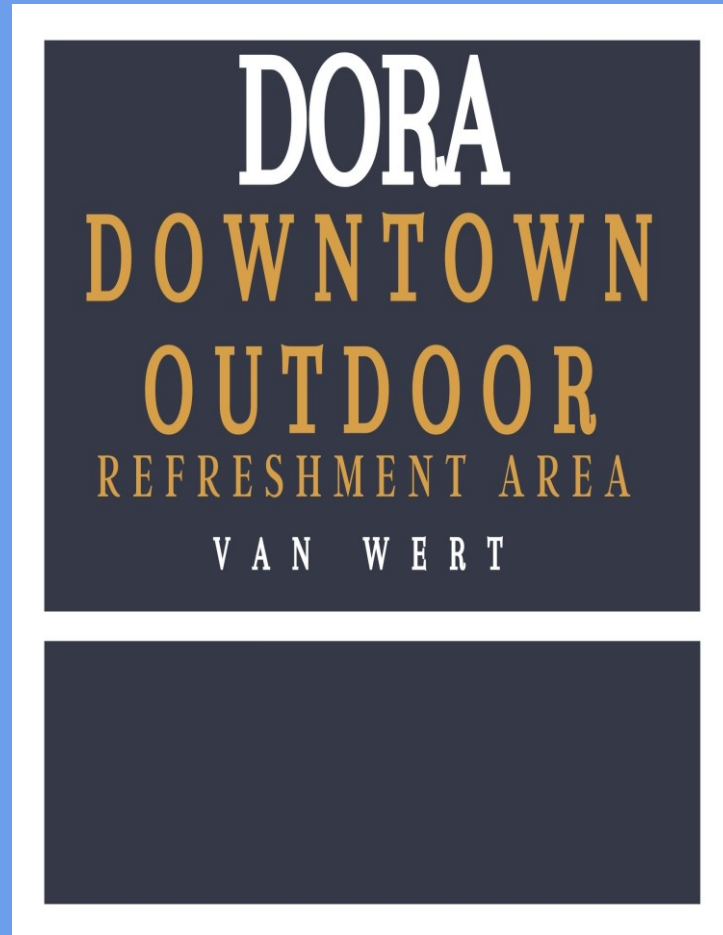
It would allow patrons to enjoy events/concerts in Downtown Van Wert.

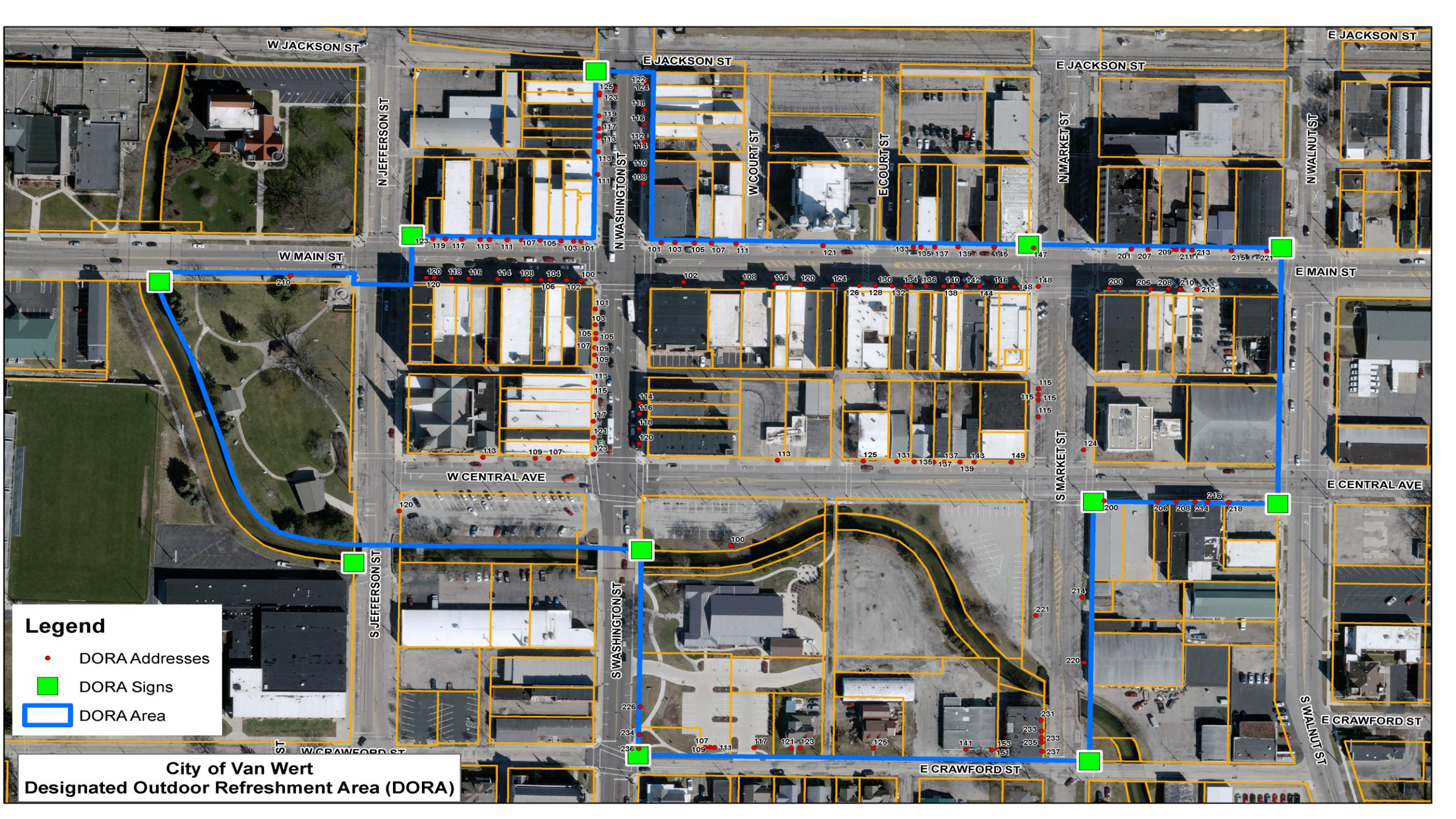
Required Cups: DORA Rules:



1. No cups may be taken beyond the district boundaries. Please refer to the district map.
2. It will include the district days and hours.
3. Cups from one licensed establishment cannot be taken into another licensed establishment.

Required Signage:





Legend

- DORA Addresses
- DORA Signs
- DORA Area

City of Van Wert
Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA)

Business Requirements:

- All participating permit holders must attend an initial training meeting.
- All participating establishments must post the DORA district boundary map and rules at all exits.
- All participating establishments must purchase the required cups with their logo, DORA logo and the district rules. It will be left to the businesses discretion whether to add an additional charge for the cups.

Dates, Times and Hours

- The DORA would be in effect year-round
- This ordinance will be reviewed annually by City Council.
- The district hours to be determined.
- I proposed NOON – 11 PM 7 days a week

District Boundaries:

- The boundary will include all alleys.
- The district can be adjusted or suspended by City Council at any time.

Questions?

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