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ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION NO. 76- 195

Mr. Clyde M. Burns
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Lyndon, Kansas 66451

Re: Open Meeting Law--Cities--Cereal Malt Beverage Licenses

Synopsis: A meeting of the city governing body to conduct a hearing and consider suspension or revocation of a cereal malt beverage license is subject to the Kansas open meeting law, K.S.A. 1975 Supp. 75-4317 *et seq.*

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Dear Mr. Burns:

As city attorney for the City of Lyndon, you inquire whether the Kansas open meeting law, K.S.A. 1975 Supp. 75-4317 *et seq.*, applies to hearings for the suspension or revocation of a cereal malt beverage license under K.S.A. 41-2708.

K.S.A. 1975 Supp. 75-4318 provides in pertinent part thus:

"(a) Except as otherwise provided by law, all meetings for the conduct of the affairs of, and the transaction of business by, all legislative and administrative bodies and agencies of the state and political and taxing subdivisions thereof . . . shall be open to the public and no binding action by such bodies shall be by secret ballot."

A meeting of the city governing body for the purpose of conducting a hearing for the purpose of considering suspension or revocation of a cereal malt beverage license under K.S.A. 41-2708 is a meeting

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"for the conduct of the affairs of, and the transaction of business" of the municipality, and as such, falls clearly within the scope of the open meeting law. Any such meeting, and any action taken to suspend or revoke a license must be open to the public.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Curt Schneider".

CURT T. SCHNEIDER
Attorney General

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