

Tybee Island Alcohol Work Group Recommendations to City Council:

- Fill Vacant Police Positions
 - The City should continue to work to fill the vacant police officers positions. The hiring of police cadets, increasing pay, signing bonuses, or other means of recruiting should be utilized.
- Make Public Safety Employee Pay More Competitive
 - Beginning in the next budget cycle the City should move the salary range for Public Safety personnel above the 65th percentile of the market to allow for recruitment and retention of officers, better coverage of the south end business district and provide adequate public safety service to the entire city. The burden of the cost of these measure should be borne by those driving the cost.
- Create a more visible presence in the south end business district while maintaining adequate coverage for the rest of the City.
 - Utilize the old Marine Science Center as a police substation.
 - Negotiate an intergovernmental agreement with Chatham County to provide additional police officers during the tourist season.
 - Use the Old Marine Science Center as a video monitoring station for code enforcement and police.
- Better Training for Servers
 - If an employee pours or serves alcohol they must have the Safe Serve Certification
 - Eliminate the “Bar Card” requirement.
- Liability Insurance
 - The City Should require proof of liquor liability Insurance prior to issuance of an on premises alcohol license.
- Safety Check Points
 - Use some form of road safety checkpoints on some of the busier weekends.
- Use of Cameras
 - Invest in more and better camera technology and personnel to monitor video.
 - Cost of this technology and personnel should be borne by those that are driving the cost.
- Public Information
 - Develop new ways to communicate police services to the City
 - i.e. Best of Body Cam montage
 - Use electronic Sign Boards to send message to people coming on the island.
 - Send information on beach rules to hotels and stvr’s
- Increase enforcement of current rules and laws related to behavior. This is to include but not limited to litter, glass on the beach, public intoxication, and disorderly conduct.
- Conduct a recurring call load study to determine the appropriate number of officers per shift.