

City of Colorado Springs

City Hall 107 N. Nevada Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Meeting Minutes - Draft Liquor and Beer Licensing Board

Friday, June 19, 2015 9:00 AM City Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

Chairman Kouba call the meeting to order at 9:04 A.M., opened the meeting as a regular session, and stated that a quorum was present with Board Members Gorman, Grewal, and Howard being absent.

Present 4 - Dianne Holmes, Randall Kouba, Ian Lee, and Dennis Moore

Absent 3 - Joseph Gorman, Jaswinder Grewal, and Gregory Howard

2. Minutes

2.A. M2015-06-05 Approval of the Minutes of the Liquor Board meeting of June 5, 2015.

<u>Attachments:</u> 2015-06-05 Liquor Board Meeting Minutes

The City Clerk's Office and Board Member Moore identified minor errors for correction.

Motion by Holmes, seconded by Moore, that the Minutes of the Liquor Board meeting of June 5, 2015 be approved as corrected. The motion passed by a vote of:

Aye: 4 - Holmes, Kouba, Lee, and Moore

Absent: 3 - Gorman, Grewal, and Howard

3. Communications

There was no action on this item.

4. Neighborhood Boundary Consent Calendar

4.A. B-29343 Mikado Asian Bistro d/b/a Mikado Asian Bistro for a new Hotel and

Restaurant Liquor License at 13141 Bass Pro Drive.

<u>Attachments:</u> B-29343 - Mikado Asian Bistro - Liquor Survey Boundary

4.B. B-29346 IOK Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a 3.14 Sweet & Savory Pi Bar for a new

Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License at 5152 Centennial Boulevard.

Attachments: B-29346 - 3.14 Sweet & Savory Pi Bar - Liquor Survey Boundary

4.C. B-29357 Circle K Stores, Inc. d/b/a Circle K Store #2703294 for a new 3.2%

Beer Off-Premises License at 1255 Academy Park Loop.

Attachments: B-29357 - Circle K Store #2703294 - Liquor Survey Boundary

Approval of the Neighborhood Boundary Consent Calendar

Motion by Moore, seconded by Lee, that the Neighborhood Boundary Consent Calendar be approved as written. The motion passed by a vote of:

Aye: 4 - Holmes, Kouba, Lee, and Moore

Absent: 3 - Gorman, Grewal, and Howard

5. Transfer Application Hearings

5.A. T-722781 Application of Heera, Inc. and 7-Eleven, Inc. d/b/a 7-Eleven Store

35338A to transfer the 3.2% Beer Off-Premises License currently issued to 7-Eleven, Inc. d/b/a 7-Eleven Store 35338 at 330 S.

Academy Boulevard.

Attachments: T-722781 - 7-Eleven Store 35338A

Attorney Kevin Coates entered his appearance on behalf of the applicant.

Kamal Mohan was sworn and stated that he is the President and Franchisee of the applicant. Mr. Mohan testified to the elements required for the transfer of the 3.2 Beer Off-Premises License, and answered questions from the Board.

David Raab, 7-Eleven Field Consultant was sworn but did not testitfy.

Motion by Holmes, seconded by Lee, that the application of Heera, Inc. and 7-Eleven, Inc. d/b/a 7-Eleven Store 35338A to transfer the 3.2% Beer Off-Premises License currently issued to 7-Eleven, Inc. d/b/a 7-Eleven Store 35338 at 330 S. Academy Boulevard be approved, as it appears all criteria have been met. The motion passed by a vote of:

Aye: 4 - Holmes, Kouba, Lee, and Moore

Absent: 3 - Gorman, Grewal, and Howard

5.B. T-722811 Application of Academy Lodging, LLC d/b/a Plaza Inn La Quinta to

transfer the Tavern Liquor License currently issued to DDC Hotels, Inc. and Drury Hotels CO, LLC d/b/a Drury Inn & Suites Pikes Peak

at 8155 N. Academy Boulevard.

Attachments: T-722811 - Plaza Inn La Quinta

Attorney Alan Dill entered his appearance on behalf of the applicant.

Bruce Rahmani was sworn and stated that he is the President and sole

member of the applicant. Mr. Rahmani testified to the elements required for the transfer of the Tavern Liquor License, and answered questions from the Board.

Motion by Lee, seconded by Holmes, that the application of Academy Lodging, LLC d/b/a Plaza Inn La Quinta to transfer the Tavern Liquor License currently issued to DDC Hotels, Inc. and Drury Hotels CO, LLC d/b/a Drury Inn & Suites Pikes Peak at 8155 N. Academy Boulevard be approved, as it appears all criteria have been met. The motion passed by a vote of:

Aye: 4 - Holmes, Kouba, Lee, and Moore

Absent: 3 - Gorman, Grewal, and Howard

6. New Application Hearings

6.A. N-28969 Application of Strategic Restaurant Concepts, LLC d/b/a Bubba's 33

for a new Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License at 5807 Constitution

Avenue.

Attachments: N-28969 - Bubba's 33

This item was postponed from the Liquor Board meeting of June 5, 2015.

Attorney Brain Proffitt entered his appearance on behalf of the applicant.

Robert Auw was sworn and stated that he is the General Manager for the business. Mr. Auw testified to the elements required for a new Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License, and answered questions from the Board.

Eva Garretson of Liquor Licensing Professionals was sworn and stated that her company conducted a petition survey of the defined neighborhood boundary which resulted in 119 favoring, 1 opposing, and 17 no opinion signatures.

The City Clerk's Office presented its audit of the petition survey which resulted in no variance to the signatures presented.

Approve the new Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License application.

Motion by Lee, seconded by Moore, that the application of Strategic Restaurant Concepts, LLC d/b/a Bubba's 33 for a new Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License at 5807 Constitution Avenue be approved, as it appears all criteria have been met. The motion passed by a vote of:

Aye: 4 - Holmes, Kouba, Lee, and Moore

Absent: 3 - Gorman, Grewal, and Howard

6.B. N-29066 Application of LZJ, Inc. d/b/a Makino Asian Bistro for a new Hotel

and Restaurant Liquor License at 5760 N. Academy Boulevard.

Attachments: N-29066 - Makino Asian Bistro

This item was postponed from the Liquor Board meeting of June 5, 2015.

Attorney Erika Kaiser entered her appearance on behalf of the applicant.

Jean Yang was qualified and sworn as an interpreter of the Mandarin Chinese Language.

Aizhen Liu was sworn and stated that she is the President and owner of the business. Ms. Liu testified to the elements required for a new Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License, and answered questions from the Board.

Eva Garretson of Liquor Licensing Professionals was sworn and stated that her company conducted a petition survey of the defined neighborhood boundary which resulted in 145 favoring, 9 opposing, and 5 no opinion signatures.

The City Clerk's Office presented its audit of the petition survey which resulted in no variance to the signatures presented.

Motion by Holmes, seconded by Moore, that the application of LZJ, Inc. d/b/a Makino Asian Bistro for a new Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License at 5760 N. Academy Boulevard be approved, as it appears that all criteria have been met. The motion passed by a vote of:

Aye: 4 - Holmes, Kouba, Lee, and Moore

Absent: 3 - Gorman, Grewal, and Howard

6.C. N-29175

Application of AJFRASCA, IV, Inc. d/b/a Panino's Restaurant for a new Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License at 3015 New Center Point.

Attachments: N-29175 - Panino's Restaurant

Attorney Jason Downie entered his appearance on behalf of the applicant.

Anthony Frasca, IV was sworn and stated that he is the President and owner of the business. Mr. Frasca testified to the elements required for a new Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License, and answered questions from the Board.

Eva Garretson of Liquor Licensing Professionals was sworn and stated that her company conducted a petition survey of the defined neighborhood boundary which resulted in 157 favoring, 0 opposing, and 2 no opinion signatures.

The City Clerk's Office presented its audit of the petition survey which resulted in one signature variance to the signatures presented.

Motion by Lee, seconded by Holmes, that the application of AJFRASCA, IV, Inc. d/b/a Panino's Restaurant for a new Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License at 3015 New Center Point be approved, as it appears all criteria have been met. The motion passed by a vote of:

Aye: 4 - Holmes, Kouba, Lee, and Moore

Absent: 3 - Gorman, Grewal, and Howard

6.D. N-29124 Application of El Tejano Corp. d/b/a Las Palmitas #2 for a new Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License at 3589 N. Carefree Circle.

Attachments: N-29124 - Las Palmitas #2

Efren Santibanez was sworn and stated that he is the Vice President of the business. Mr. Santibanez testified to the elements required for a new Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License, and answered questions from the Board.

Eva Garretson of Liquor Licensing Professionals was sworn and stated that her company conducted a petition survey of the defined neighborhood boundary which resulted in 166 favoring, 5 opposing, and 3 no opinion signatures.

The City Clerk's Office presented its audit of the petition survey which resulted in no variance to the signatures presented.

Mr. Santibanez stated that an updated diagram that details the placement of the bar area in the licensed premises will be submitted to the City Clerk's Office.

Motion by Lee, seconded by Holmes, that the application of El Tejano Corp. d/b/a Las Palmitas #2 for a new Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License at 3589 N. Carefree Circle be approved on condition of a updated diagram being submitted to the City Clerk's Office prior to sending local approval to the State Liquor Enforcement Division. The motion passed by a vote of:

Aye: 4 - Holmes, Kouba, Lee, and Moore

Absent: 3 - Gorman, Grewal, and Howard

7. Adjourn.

At 11:05 A.M., there being no further business, the Board Adjourned.

Lee McRae, License Enforcement Officer.