

Liquor Licensing Authority

Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2023 at 3:00 PM

via Zoom

1. Call to Order

Liquor Licensing Authority, Mark Gonzales called the meeting to order at 3:04 PM. The meeting was conducted virtually via Zoom.

Staff Present included Sr. Assistant City Clerk Allie Powell, Assistant City Attorney Ned Chapin, Liquor licensing Enforcement Technician AnnAlyse Garvey, and Sales Tax & Business Licensing Manager Michael Kibbee.

2. Public Hearing to Consider A New Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License Application by Tuxpena Rest LLC DBA Carniceria La Tuxpena/Tradicional Restaurant, 2319 8th Avenue

Chessie Woodruff with Propio Language Services was present to interpret for the applicant and was sworn in.

Those Present for Carniceria La Preferida LLC Included the 100% owner of the LLC Cindy Aboyotes. Silvia Rivas, the Stepmother of Cindy Aboyotes, was also Subpoenaed and appeared as well. Both were sworn in prior to giving statements.

The Clerk's Report was read into the record.

The Liquor Licensing Authority raised concerns based on the Clerk's Report and offered the applicant the option to speak to an attorney prior to proceeding with a liquor licensing hearing.

The applicant asked for a continuation.

The Liquor Licensing Authority addressed Silvia Rivas and requested her appearance at the continued hearing. The Liquor Licensing Authority Confirmed that Ms. Rivas understood that she would be required to appear at the next hearing on the application.

The Liquor Licensing Authority Continued the Hearing to August 18, 2023.

3. Public Hearing to Consider A New Tavern Liquor License Application by L&C Bar LLC DBA L&C Bar, 520 N 9th Avenue

Those Present for L&C Bar LLC Included the 100% owner of the LLC Daniel Gonzalez and Janie Appleton, a family friend that had helped with the filing of the application, was also present on behalf of the applicant. Both were sworn in prior to giving statements.

The Clerk's Report was read into the record.

The Liquor Licensing Authority raised concerns about information in the Greeley Police Department's report.

The Public Comment portion of the hearing was opened at 4:10 PM.

There was no one present that wished to speak during the public comment portion of the hearing.

The Public Comment portion of the hearing was closed at 4:10 PM.

The City Attorney's Office Called Liquor Licensing Technician AnnAlyse Garvey and she was sworn in. The City Attorney's Office proceeded to ask questions about the report submitted by Greeley Police Department regarding the application.

The City Attorney's Office did not take a stance in regard to the approval of the liquor license.

The Liquor Licensing Authority Approved the new license application by L&C Bar LLC DBA L&C Bar.

4. Hearing to Consider A Transfer of Ownership of an existing Liquor Store Liquor License Application by Zomay LLC DBA Greeley Liquor Store, 1102 9th Street

The Applicant requested a continuation to the July 21, 2023 Liquor License Hearing prior to the hearing and did not appear.

This Item was continued to the July 21, 2023 Liquor License Hearing.

5. Public Hearing to Consider A New Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License Application by Bhansa LLC DBA Bhansa, 1105 26th Avenue

Those Present for Bhansa LLC included the 34% owner of the LLC Rupesh Nyaupane, The 33% owner of the LLC Prashant Nyaupane, and the 33% owner of the LLC Gita Nyaupane. All three were sworn in.

The Clerk's Report was read into the record.

The Public Comment portion of the hearing was opened at 4:30 PM.

There was no one present that wished to speak during the public comment portion of the hearing.

The Public Comment portion of the hearing was closed at 4:31 PM.

The City Attorney's Office had no objection to the liquor license being granted and found that the applicant had met their burden in regard to proving the needs & desires of the neighborhood.

The Liquor Licensing Authority Approved the new license application by Bhansa LLC DBA Bhansa.

6. Public Hearing to Consider A New Lodging & Entertainment Liquor License Application by Margie's Java Joint LLC DBA Margie's Java Joint, 931 16th Street

Those Present for Margie's Java Joint LLC Included the 100% owner of the LLC Margaret Thompson, Ms. Thompson was sworn in.

The Liquor Licensing Authority expressed concerns about the pending Show Cause for the Kress Cinema, which Ms. Thompson holds stake in.

The Clerk's Report was read into the record.

The Public Comment portion of the hearing was opened at 4:49 PM.

There was no one present that wished to speak during the public comment portion of the hearing.

The Public Comment portion of the hearing was closed at 4:50 PM.

The City Attorney's Office had no objection to the liquor license being granted and found that the applicant had met their burden in regard to proving the needs & desires of the neighborhood.

The Liquor Licensing Authority Approved the new license application by Margie's Java Joint LLC DBA Margie's Java Joint.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:59 PM.

Approved:



Mark Gonzales, LLA Hearing Officer

Attest:



Allie Powell, Sr. Assistant City Clerk