

**MINUTES FOR
LIQUOR AUTHORITY MEETING**

**CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE, COLORADO
7500 West 29th Avenue, Municipal Building**

October 24, 2013

Mrs. Peterson called the Liquor Authority Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Liquor Authority Members present:

John Miks
Carolyn Peterson
Paul Shaver
Claudia Worth
Robert Alldredge
Brandy Bauer
Anthony Davia
Kent Davis

Also present: Deputy City Clerk, Bruce Roome; City Attorney, Chris Price; staff; interested citizens.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF October 10, 2013

Motion by Mr. Miks to approve the minutes of October 10, 2013: seconded by Mr. Shaver; carried 6-0-2 with Mr. Davia and Mr. Davis abstaining.

Item 1. Public Hearing on Colorado Liquor and Retail License Application for a new Tavern Liquor License for MMFH, LLC d/b/a Riff's. A Rock and Roll Bar, 10151 W. 26th Ave. #B, Wheat Ridge, CO 80033

Mrs. Peterson opened the public hearing

Mr. Roome introduced the item, presented the initial findings and entered exhibits 1 through 10 into the record.

Max Scott from Oedipus, Inc. presented the survey results

Calvin "Doug" Jacobsen, owner, and was present to answer any questions from the Liquor Authority.

Juanita Paul, Paramount Garden Apartments resident, not as concerned about the noise as she is of people outside in the parking lot. How does Mr. Jacobsen plan to

remediate this? Mr. Jacobsen stated that he has carpeted the floors and walls as well as is putting in double paned windows. He has also stated that he has two sets of doors which are on closers that keep the doors closed to keep the music in.

Paul Iwancio, Paramount Garden Apartments resident, asked Mr. Jacobsen about the capacity of bar? Mr. Jacobsen stated 80-90 people depending on the fire marshal.

Paul Iwancio, presented a petition from the residents of Paramount Garden Apartments stating opposition to issuance of this license. Mr. Iwancio also presented photos from the residence showing proximity to the proposed tavern. Mr. Iwancio stated reasons for concern as people in the parking lot making noise, noisy vehicles, and loud music from within the tavern. Has lived at the apartment for 3 months.

Jackie Bembenek, Paramount Garden Apartments resident, concerned about noise. Ms. Bembenek has lived there for 7 years.

Mary Ekler, Paramount Garden Apartments resident, also concerned about noise such as banging doors and loud people. Concerned about Davies Chuckwagon serving alcohol upstairs.

Sharon Heinz, Paramount Garden Apartments resident, has lived in the apartment since the end of August. Have similar concerns as other residents.

Mr. Davis, Paramount Garden Apartments resident for four years. Feels there is no solution for motorcycles because they are all loud.

Juanita Paul, Paramount Garden Apartments resident, stated she is also concerned about loud cars too and states to check the owners website which caters to motorcycle riders. Mr. Jacobsen countered that there is no website for Riff's, what they are referring to is the website for Jake's Roadhouse.

Betty Ondrusek, Paramount Garden Apartments resident, 30 year resident. Says she is afraid to be outside because of the bar.

Kirk Steinmark, prepared the sound system at the bar. Mr. Steinmark stated that Mr. Jacobsen has taken great care to deaden the acoustics of the building to ensure noise compliance. He had the chance to do business with the last bar owners at this location and chose not to. He speaks of Mr. Jacobsen's integrity and how he has cleaned up the bar in Arvada.

Nick Wilder, 11 Paramount Pkwy, states he has no objections to this tavern license being passed. States that the bar was built before the Paramount Garden Apartments were built.

Mrs. Peterson closed the public hearing.

Ms. Worth stated that she feels the owner will cater to an older crowd and with the cooperation between Riff's and Davies this is a good arrangement. Mr. Jacobsen has showed that he is making efforts to address the noise concerns. She will be voting for it.

Motion by Mr. Miks to approve issuance of a New Tavern Liquor License for MMFH, LLC d/b/a Riff's. A Rock and Roll Bar, 10151 W. 26th Ave. #B on the basis of the following findings:

- 1) Public notice of the hearing on the Application was published and posted on the property as required by Colorado law.
- 2) The applicant is qualified to obtain a liquor license pursuant to C.R.S. Section 12-47-307;
- 3) The premises is in a location eligible to conduct the proposed liquor licensed business pursuant to C.R.S. Section 12-47-313 and the zoning laws of the City;
- 4) The applicant is, or will be, entitled to possession of the premises for which the application is made;
- 5) The neighborhood under consideration is considered to be within one-mile circumference around the proposed licensed premises;
- 6) The inhabitants of the neighborhood desire an additional establishment that serves liquor;
- 7) The needs of the neighborhood are not met by the existing outlets.

Seconded by Mr. Davis; carried 8-0.

LIQUOR AUTHORITY MATTERS

None

CITY CLERK'S MATTERS

None

CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS


None

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 am.



Bruce Roome, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED BY LIQUOR AUTHORITY ON January 23, 2014 BY A VOTE OF 5
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Carolyn Peterson, Chair
Vice Chair