

**LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY  
CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO  
MUNICIPAL HEARING ROOM, CITY HALL, 250 NORTH 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET**

**MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021, 2:00 P.M.**

**HEARING OFFICER SAM D. STARRITT**

**I Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. via GoToMeeting. Those present were Hearing Officer Sam D. Starritt, City Attorney John Shaver and Deputy City Clerk Selestina Sandoval.

**II License Renewal Application**

1. JMJ Ventures, LLC dba Roosters, 2210 Highway 6 & 50, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel & Restaurant
2. Namaste Nepal Restaurant, LLC dba Namaste Nepal Restaurant, 2692 Highway 50, Spaces L & N, Grand Junction, CO 81503, Hotel & Restaurant
3. Brenda Greene dba Castle Creek Bed & Breakfast, 638 Horizon Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Bed & Breakfast Permit
4. Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores, Inc. dba Love's Travel Stops #517, 748 22 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Fermented Malt Beverage Off Premises
5. BURNS FEC, LLC dba Bananas Fun Park, 2469 Riverside Parkway, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Beer & Wine

Hearing Officer Starritt read renewals 1 - 5 into the record and verified with Ms. Sandoval the applications were in order. He asked if there was anyone to speak against the applications. There was no one. The renewal applications were approved.

**III Manager Registration Application**

1. Grand Conjunction, LLC dba Doubletree Grand Junction, 743 Horizon Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Hotel & Restaurant

Brian W. Smith, 2489 Waite Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81505 replaces Doug Russo

Hearing Officer Starritt asked if the application was in order. Ms. Sandoval verified it was although the background check was still pending. General Manager Brian Smith was remotely present and said he had been digitally fingerprinted earlier that day. Hearing Officer Starritt conditionally approved the application pending the background check.

#### **IV New License Application - Resolutions, Findings and Decision**

1. Sam's West, Inc. dba Sam's Club #6360, 1040 Independent Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Additional Liquor Licensed Drug Store

CEO: Kathryn J. McLay, 401 NW O Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

Sr. VP: John R. Scudder, 16 Darian Drive, Bentonville, AR 72712

Asst. Sec.: Daniel J. Rice, 231 Florence Drive, Centeron, AR 72719

Asst. Treas.: Matthew W. Allen, 3 S Beau Chene Lane, Rogers, AR 72758

Store Manager John Shihady and Licensing Strategy Manager Amelia Schumbra represented the applicant and answered questions regarding the lawful sales of alcohol. Ms. Sandoval reported the application was in order, outlined the process used to conduct the mailer survey through the City Clerk's Office due to the COVID-19 pandemic and read the survey results into the record. Exhibits A, B (survey results and neighborhood area) and C (diagram) were admitted into the record.

Hearing Officer Starritt asked if anyone was present to speak against the application. Brandi Pollock and Josh Mattison were present and spoke in opposition.

Hearing Officer Starritt found the needs and desires of the neighborhood are not being met and approved the license with the stipulation that shipments of alcohol be immediately moved into the licensed area after being offloaded at the dock. The City Clerk's Office will prepare a resolution of findings for Hearing Officer Starritt's signature.

#### **V Other Business**

There was none.

#### **VI Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m.



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CITY CLERK

MEMO: Local Licensing Authority

FROM: Selestina Sandoval, Deputy City Clerk

DATE: February 2, 2021

SUBJECT: Sam's West dba Sam's Club – 1040 Independent Ave, Grand Junction, CO 81506 –  
Additional Liquor Licensed Drugstore

A liquor license application permitting sales of malt, vinous and spirituous drinks in sealed containers not for consumption at place where sold, was filed with the Local Licensing Authority on January 7, 2021 and on February 3, 2021 a legal notice will be published in the Daily Sentinel and a "Notice of Hearing" was posted on the property.

A survey was conducted to address the reasonable requirements of the neighborhood via mailers to 120 properties in the defined neighborhood by the City Clerk's Office due to COVID-19 restrictions. The neighborhood was defined by those addresses within a mile radius from the applicant's location. The recipients of the mailers could take an online survey stating whether they supported or opposed the application. The results are as follows:

Business Results:	Residential Results:
FAVOR: 1	FAVOR: 5
OPPOSE: 0	OPPOSE: 1

To date, no letters of opposition or counter petitions have been filed.

The Grand Junction Police Department will investigate the individuals for local criminal history. Reports have also been requested from the City of Grand Junction Sales Tax Department, the Fire Department, and Mesa County Health Department.

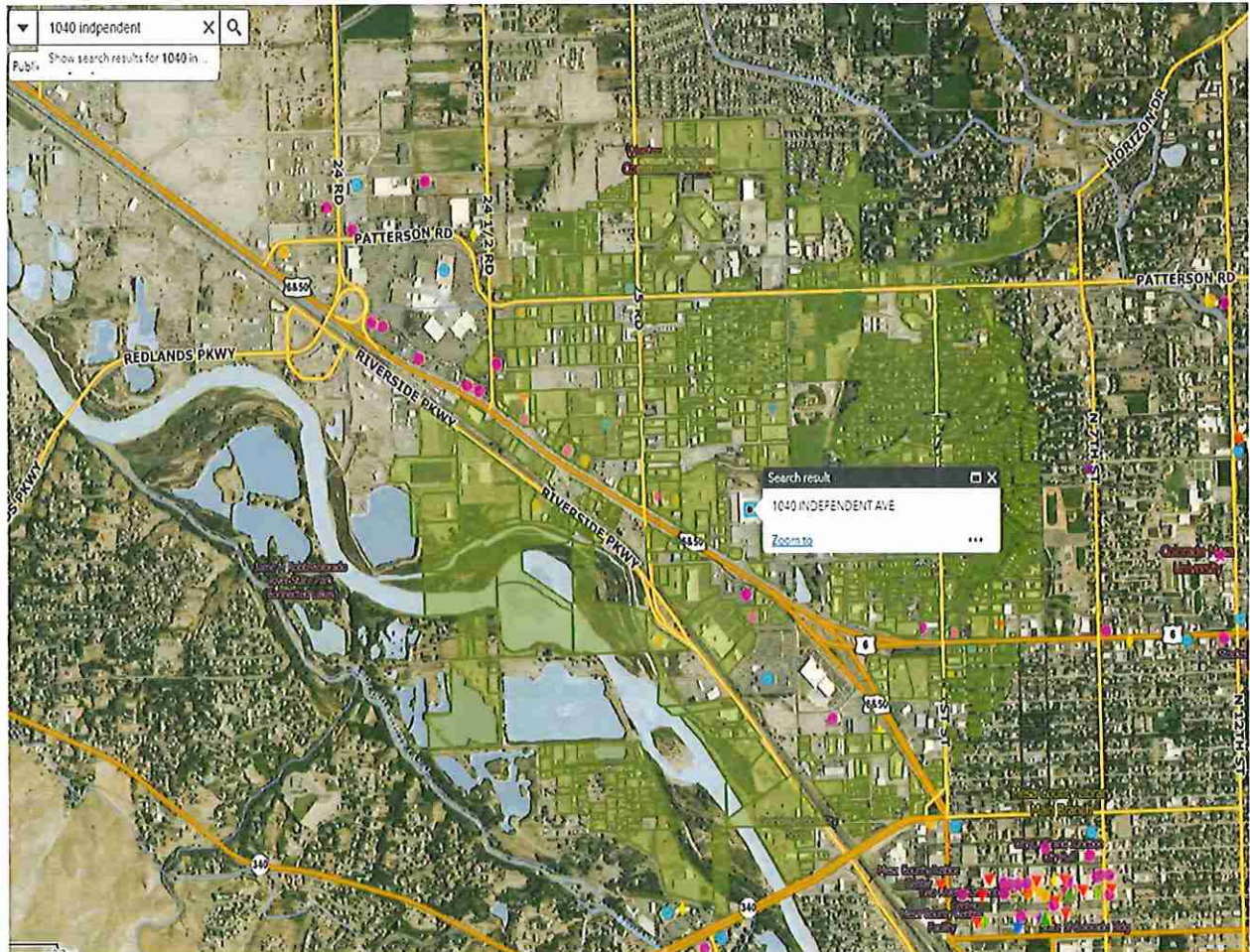
The number of similar City licenses within in the survey area are as follows:

- Beer and Wine** – Five licenses (Bamboo City, Pho 88, Smokin' Oak, Grand International Buffet, Kodiaxe)
- Hotel and Restaurant** – Eleven licenses (Chili's Grill & Bar, Red Lobster, Tequila's Mexican Family Restaurant, Genghis Grill, Mi Mexico Family Mexican Restaurant, Chipotle Mexican Grill, Red Robin, No Coast Sushi, Famous Dave's, Fly'n Roosters and Old Chicago)
- Lodging & Entertainment** – One license (X-Golf)
- Fermented Malt Beverage (Off Premises)** – Three licenses (Target Store, Walmart #5099 and Alta 6312)
- Retail Liquor Store** - One license (Andy's Liquor Mart)
- Tavern** – Two license (Bank 8 Billiards and Scotland Yard Cigar & Spirits)

ec: Amelia Schembra, Applicant Representative  
 Sam Starritt, Hearing Officer  
 John Shaver, City Attorney  
 Meghan Woodland, Grand Junction Police Department  
 File



### Sam's West dba Sam's Club #6360

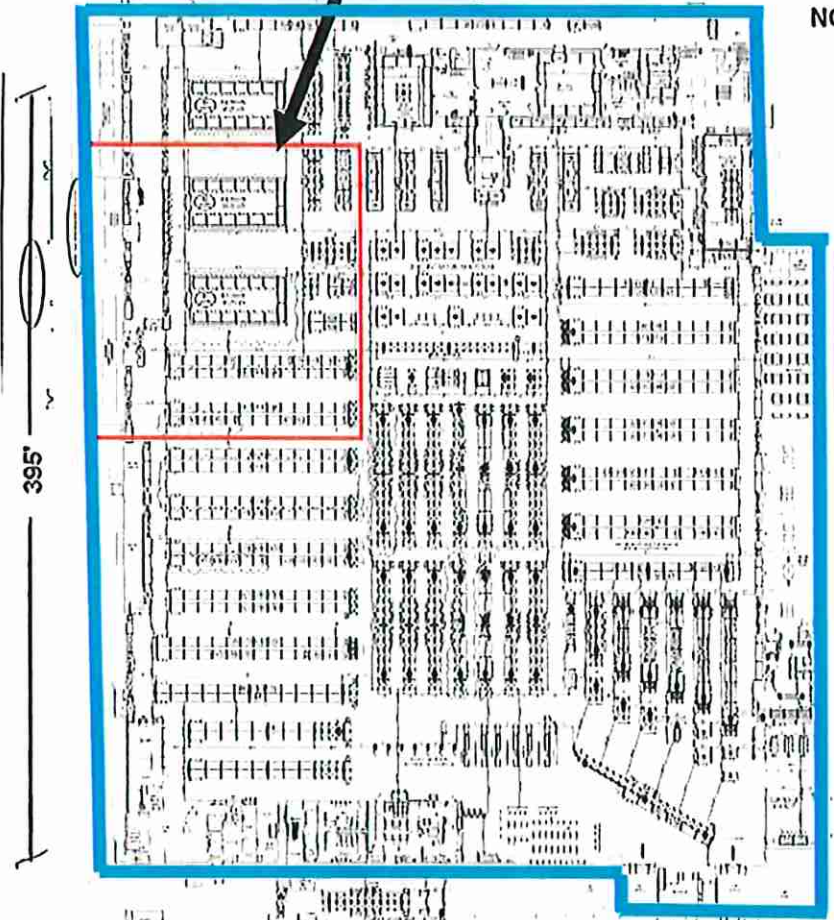


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Primary Beer/Wine/Spirits Retail Display Area and Storage

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ENTRANCE

SAM'S WEST INC. dba SAM'S CLUB #6360  
1040 INDEPENDENT AVENUE; GRAND JUNCTION CO 81605  
RETAIL OFF PREMISE LICENSE APPLICATION

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