

**LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY  
MINUTES  
April 7, 2021**

**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 Applications**

1. City of Grand Junction dba Las Colonias Amphitheater, 925 Struthers Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Lodging & Entertainment
2. CMHH Ventures, LLC dba The Hog and the Hen Spirits, 510 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Liquor Store
3. Western Colorado Center for the Arts, Inc. dba Western Colorado Center for the Arts, 1803 N. 7th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Arts
4. Colorado Mesa University dba Colorado Mesa University Downtown Art Gallery, 437 Colorado Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Arts
5. Matthew Goss dba Uncanny Valley Art Gallery, 455 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Beer & Wine
6. Mighty Meng, LLC dba North Avenue Liquors, 807 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Liquor Store

Hearing Officer Starritt read renewals 1 - 6 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. License Renewal Applications with Late Filing**

1. Blazin Wings, Inc. dba Buffalo Wild Wings #378, 2412 Highway 6 & 50, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel & Restaurant

Hearing Officer Starritt read a letter submitted regarding the late filing. Laura Carlson-Heideman, Senior Licensing Specialist with Buffalo Wild Wings, Inc. was present to

answer questions. Hearing Officer Starritt found good cause for the late renewal and approved the application.

2. Mary's Homestyle Cooking, Inc. dba Mary's Homestyle Cooking, 230 Lynwood Street, Suites G & H, Grand Junction, CO 81503, Hotel & Restaurant

Hearing Officer Starritt read a letter regarding the late filing and Johnny Maestas was present to answer questions. Hearing Officer Starritt found good cause for the late renewal and approved the application.

#### **IV. Special Event Permit Applications**

1. Mesa Developmental Services dba Strive, 790 Wellington Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501 "Tulips & Juleps Derby Party and The Garden Groove Concert Series - 2021" - located at 641 Struthers Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501 May 1, 2021 from 1 to 7 P.M., June 25, 2021 from 6 to 10 P.M., July 30, 2021 from 6 to 10 P.M., August 27, 2021 from 6 to 10 P.M., October 29, 2021 from 6 to 10 P.M.

President: Grant Jackson, 3301 Beachwood Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81506  
Event Manager: Douglas Sorter, 349 Lilac Lane, Grand Junction, CO 81505

Event Manager Douglas Sorter answered a series of questions regarding the event location, security and how it will be conducted lawfully. Hearing Officer Starritt asked if there was anyone present in opposition of this special event permit being issued. There was no one. Hearing Officer Starritt entered Exhibits "A" and "B" (attached) into the record.

Hearing Officer Starritt found that pursuant to Colorado State Statute 44-5-106, there are no grounds to deny the special event permit; it would not be injurious to the public welfare because of the nature of the special event, its location within the community, or the failure of the applicant in a past special event to conduct the event in compliance with applicable laws. The application for a special event permit submitted by Mesa Developmental Services dba STRiVE for "Tulips & Juleps Derby Party and the Garden Groove Concert Series - 2021" was in order and approved with the stipulation that different colored wristbands will be used for each event.

**V. Other Business**

Hearing Officer Starritt asked City Attorney Shaver when the Liquor Licensing Authority should transition to in-person meetings again. City Attorney Shaver recommended they follow City Council's lead for this topic. They will discuss in-person meetings at the April 7, 2021 Regular Meeting with an anticipated date to open to the public of April 21, 2021.

**VI. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:39 p.m.

**SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT  
QUESTIONNAIRE AND AFFIDAVIT**

1. Name of Event: Tulips & Juleps Derby Party and the Garden Groove Concert Series

2. How many attendees are expected at the event? 300

3. Has the event been held in the past? If so, how many years? 6 Years

4. Have there ever been any violations or citations issued during the event in the past?

Proud to say we've experienced no violations.

5. Describe the premises at which the event will take place.

The events take place on the front lawn area of the Western Colorado Botanical Gardens, south of Struther Ave and at the south end of 7th street.

6. What type of and how many security will be provided at this event and how will they be identified?

We use 2 paid security personnel from CSI security. We have two to three volunteer security personnel which are identified by wearing yellow vests with the word security in bold black letters on the backs.

7. What is the Control Plan for security at this event? (Use additional sheet if necessary)

We position one paid security person at the gate (the only entrance and exit) of the event from start to finish. The additional paid security person is positioned in the area where the alcohol is served and tickets are purchased. The three volunteer security personnel are positioned at the following locations: 1.) ID check and banding area 2.) behind the stage area 3.) front stage area. All possible issues observed will be brought to my attention and dealt with accordingly with the paid security staff and myself.

8. How will security personnel be identified?

The paid security staff will be dressed in the CSI uniform and the volunteer staff will wear a yellow vest with the word security in bold black letters security on the back.

9. If this event is being held outdoors, how will the exterior boundaries of the premises be marked (i.e., roped, fenced, etc.)?

There is a permanent six foot high steel fence surrounding the entire area of the gardens. There is only one entrance and exit during the event, which is located at the east end of the garden area.

10. What method will be used in checking identification for proper age of attendees (i.e., at the door, at the bar, etc.) and how will underage patrons be identified so as not to be served alcohol beverages (i.e., stamp or mark on the hand, etc.)

ID checks will be made by the TIPS trained volunteer staff as the patrons enter through a second gated area onto the front lawn. Wrist bands identifying who is 21 years and older will be applied after ID check is verified. Ticket sales for alcohol volunteers will check for bands before sale and servers will check as well.

11. How will the conduct and level of intoxication of attendees be monitored and by whom?

All servers will monitor and report to me, I and the paid security staff will monitor and address issues.

12. Have the volunteers or members of your organization been trained in the sale/service of alcohol beverages?

Yes we have three TIPS trained volunteers. We also use the TIPS training information at each event for those people who are volunteering for the first time to educate them before each event.

13. What types of alternate beverages and food/snacks will be available?

Water, soda and food truck certified by city and county.

14. Has a State and City Sales Tax Number been initiated by you or a member of your organization? If so, provide those numbers in the space provided.

No we are a 501 c 3 non-profit tax exempt organization.

I hereby certify, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided to the Grand Junction Liquor Licensing Authority contained in this affidavit is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

[Signature]  
Applicant's Signature

2/23/21  
Date

STATE OF COLORADO )  
COUNTY OF MESA ) SS.  
CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION )

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

Witness my hand and official Seal.

[Signature]  
Notary Public

01.23.2022  
My commission expires



