# GRAND JUNCTION LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY MINUTES November 17, 2021

## I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. Those present were Hearing Officer Sam D. Starritt, City Attorney John Shaver and Deputy City Clerk Selestina Sandoval.

## II. License Renewal Applications

- 1. P&S, Inc. dba Orchard Mesa Lanes, 295 27 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81503, Hotel & Restaurant
- 2. Golden Gate Petroleum of Nevada, LLC dba Golden Gate Gas, 399 29 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Fermented Malt Beverage Off Premises
- 3. Blasta, LLC dba Aztecas Family Mexican Restaurant, 705 Horizon Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Hotel & Restaurant
- 4. Los Potrillos, Inc. dba Aztecas Family Mexican Restaurant, 603 Highway 6 & 50, Grand Junction, CO 81503, Hotel & Restaurant
- 5. Dillon Companies, LLC dba City Market #44, 2600 North 12th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Fermented Malt Beverage Off Premises
- Bookcliff Country Club dba Bookcliff Country Club, 2730 G Road, Grand Junction,
   CO 81506, Hotel & Restaurant
- 7. Stoner Enterprises, LTD dba Andy's Liquor Mart, 922 North 1st Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Liquor Store and Tasting Permit

Hearing Officer Starritt read renewals 1-7 into the record and verified with Ms. Sandoval the applications were in order. Hearing Officer Starritt asked if anyone was present to speak against the applications, there was no one. The renewals were approved.

## III. License Renewal Applications with Late Filing

1. Stinker Stores CO, Inc. dba Stinker #321, 2498 Patterson Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Fermented Malt Beverage Off Premises - *14 Days Late* 

- Stinker Stores CO, Inc. dba Stinker #322, 2903 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81504, Fermented Malt Beverage Off Premises - 7 Days Late
- 3. Stinker Stores CO, Inc. dba Stinker #323, 233 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Fermented Malt Beverage Off Premises **7 Days Late**

Hearing Officer Starritt read a letter from the Stinker Stores corporate office explaining the late filings for Stinker #321, #322 and #323 (attached). Retail Territory Manager for the Western Slope Jessica Murphy was present to answer questions regarding the late filings. Hearing Officer Starritt found good cause for the late filing and approved the renewal.

4. Pete's 2.0, LLC dba Pete's 2.0, LLC, 1560 North Avenue Suite A, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Liquor Store - *8 Days Late* 

Hearing Officer Starritt recused himself from this item due to Gisette Martinez, one of the members of the LLC, working for the law firm he is employed by for possible appearance of impropriety. This item will be continued to a further date to be heard by the Alternate Hearing Officer.

5. TJ Cruisers, LLC dba Cruisers Bar, 2692 Highway 50, Suites O, Q & S, Grand Junction, CO 81503, Tavern - *15 Days Late* 

Hearing Officer Starritt read a letter from Cruisers Bar into the record (attached). Member Tiara Knoblich was present to answer questions regarding the late filing. Hearing Officer Starritt found good cause and approved the renewal.

Copeka Coffee, LLC dba Copeka Coffee, 1014 North 5th Street, Grand Junction,
 CO 81501, Lodging & Entertainment, 18 Days Late

Hearing Officer Starritt read a letter from Copeka Coffee into the record (attached). Member Jana Joramo was present to answer questions regarding the late filing. Hearing Officer Starritt found good cause and approved the renewal.

## IV. Change in Corporate Structure Applications

1. BPOE Lodge dba Grand Junction Lodge #575, 249 S 4th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Club

Exalted Ruler Shelby Tad Hatter Jr., 3482 Silverstone Drive, Whitewater, CO 81527 Replaces Nathan Milller Secretary Patti Evenson is Removed

Patti Evenson was present to answer questions. The application for change in corporate structure was approved.

## V. <u>Special Event Permit Applications</u>

 Colorado Mesa University Foundation, 1100 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, "CMU Ice Hockey Games - 2021", on November 18 & 20, 2021 from 6 -9 p.m. - 2515 Riverside Parkway, Grand Junction, CO 81501

Assistant Athletic Director/Event Manager: Reese Kegans, 2910 Pheasant Run Street, Grand Junction, CO 81506

Assistant Athletic Director of Club Sports Reese Kegans and Coordinator of Alumni Engagement for Colorado Mesa University Emma Leenerman were present and 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 special event permits submitted by CMU Foundation for the "CMU Ice Hockey Games - 2021" was in order and approved.

## VI. Other Business

There was none.

## VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:29 p.m.



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November 5th, 2021

City of Grand Junction Colorado City Clerk Liquor License Renewal

RE: Late filing of Liquor License #'s 04-00923, 04-00924, 04-00925 renewal forms

Dear City of Grand Junction,

We are writing in response to the late filing of our Liquor License Renewals for License #'s 04-00923, 04-00924, and 04-00925. These renewals were due on October 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

A few changes in our officers and turn over in our finance department has delayed our ability to file our DR 8177 with the State of Colorado. We are currently working on getting caught up on our filings and appreciate your patience and understanding.

Sincerely,

Sarah Baca

Assistant Controller

Stinker Stores

sbaca@stinker.com

208-991-5691



November 8th, 2021

#### To whom may it concern:

I would like to apologize for our application for our liquor license being late. I am sorry if It has caused any issues. My business partner, James Hadrath has been under going dialysis for many many years and was recently called in for his new kidney transplant. I had been under the impression that our application as well with the check had been turned in. I messaged him today asking how we was and that is when he had let me know that he still had the check and application at his residence. I am in the process of getting ahold of someone who has access to his house so I can pick up the check as well as the application. Please know that this is not like us to be late on these sort of things and take pride on being on time with important things like this. I hope you understand and accept our apologies on this matter. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Tiara Knoblich

Selestina Sandoval Deputy City Clerk City of Grand Junction

Nov 10,2022

Dear Ms Sandoval,

Again, we want to extend our apologies for being late with the renewal to our liquor license. We recognize this creates extra work for you during a time when you are already under duress due to the pandemic. Any assistance you give us will be greatly appreciated.

In mid-September, we received a letter from the City of Grand Junction telling us our renewal application should have arrived from the state. This letter is dated September 13 and postmarked 9/14/21. At that time, we had not yet received the forms from the state and I did not understand that we would be able to simply download what we needed instead of waiting. The forms from the state are postmarked October 12th, but we didn't receive them until October 22. At that time, we'd had several staff members out with Covid and other illnesses and had closed our second location (in Palisade) to deal with staff shortages. We were attempting to reopen the weekend of the 22nd when one of our full time employees got struck by a car. A few days later, another full time employee ran into a fallen branch while riding home on his bicycle and broke his jaw, requiring surgery. Both staff members required extensive time off. Another staff member suddenly moved back to the midwest to be with family. At one point, we had over half our staff out and the positions were filled by the owners. Because two out of three of the owners also have other full time commitments besides Copeka, we were overwhelmed and were unable to attend to our administrative duties in a timely manner. Getting to this renewal was on the list of those administrative duties.

Thank you for all you do.

Please let me know if you need any further clarification. Feel free to contact me via email or phone. 970-312-4267

Thank you,

Jana Joramo

Owner, Copeka Coffee

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## SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT QUESTIONNAIRE AND AFFIDAVIT

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1. Name of Event:	CMU Ice Hockey games	
2. How many attend	ees are expected?	700-800
3. Has the event be	en held in the past? If s	so, how many years? 5 years
4. Have there ever to		tations issued during the event in the past?
		t will take place (attach diagram). ers ( Glacier Ice Arena) held a liqour license but the new owners
_ did not opda	de their continuer. I	have written permission from new owners to serve
6. What type of and citadel, 7 officers	how many security will	be provided?
The beer will be ser	ved in the warming roon	additional sheet if necessary). n of the ice rink, tips trained servers will serve and citadel will bb
Checking ID's	j ja providiliag wrist	t bandis to those of exce
8. How will security	personnel be identified?	?
professional citadel	uniforms	
9. If this event is an roped, fenced, etc.)?		the exterior boundaries of the premises be marked (i.e.,
Beer will only be allo	owed inside the building	, we will have citadel at all exits

10. What method of age verification will be used (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.)?
at the entrance of the warming room, wrist bands will be passed out to those of age
11. How will the conduct and level of intoxication of attendees be monitored and by whom? tips trained servers will identify anyone over the limit.
12. Have the volunteers or members of your organization been trained in the sale/service of alcohol beverages?
yes
13. What other types of beverages and food/snacks will be available?
full consessions stand, hot dogs, chips, gatorade, etc.
14. Does this organization (applicant) have a State and City Sales Tax Number ? If so, provide those numbers below. If not, what is the application submission date?  0665373-000
I hereby certify, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided to the Grand Junction Liquor Licensing Authority contained in this questionnaire/affidavit is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
$\frac{\mathcal{F}_{25/2i}}{\text{Applicant's Signature}} \qquad \frac{10/25/2i}{\text{Date}}$
STATE OF COLORADO ) COUNTY OF MESA ) SS. CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION )
Subscribed and sworn to before me this $25$ day of $0ctolor$ , $202/$ .
Witness my hand and official Seal.
MARIANNE MERCADO NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF COLORADO NOTARY ID 20104009287 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MARCH 30, 2022
My commission expires

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