

GRAND JUNCTION LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY
MINUTES
May 24, 2023

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. Main Street Management, LLC dba Spring Hill Suites, 236 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Tavern and Outdoor Dining Lease
2. Scotland Yard Cigar & Spirits, LLC dba Scotland Yard Cigar & Spirits, 2454 Highway 6 & 50, Unit 112, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Tavern
3. SSH TRS M and IH WL Acquisition Manager, LLC dba Residence Inn Grand Junction, 757 Horizon Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Lodging & Entertainment
4. Hangdog Hospitality, LLC dba Junct'n Square Pizza, 119 N. 7th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel & Restaurant and Outdoor Dining Lease
5. Cerca Trova Southwest Restaurant Group, LLC dba Outback Steakhouse, 2432 Highway 6 & 50, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel & Restaurant

Hearing Officer Starritt read renewals 1 – 5 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. Renewals 1 – 5 were approved.

III. License Renewal Applications with Late Filing

1. Axeology Group, LLC dba Axeology, 2487 Industrial Blvd, Unit 6, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Beer & Wine - 10 Days Late

President/Event Manager: Nolan Robertson, 3197 Elm Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81504

This item was continued to June 7, 2023 as there wasn't a representative present.

2. Sodexo America, LLC dba Sodexo, College Center, 1455 North 12th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Campus Liquor Complex with 12 Related Facilities - 28 Days Late

Hearing Officer Starritt read a letter explaining the late filing into the record. He found good cause for the late filing and the applications were approved.

3. Kodiaxe, LLC dba Kodiaxe, 115 W. Grand Avenue, Unit A, Grand Junction CO 81501, Beer & Wine - 37 days late

Managing Member Marcus Dean was present to answer questions regarding the late filing. Hearing Officer Starritt found good cause for the late filing and the application was approved.

IV. New License Applications – Resolutions, Findings and Decision

1. Life to the Brim, LLC dba Melrose Spirit Co., 337 Colorado Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Lodging & Entertainment

Managing Member: Richard Gavin Bistodeau, 562 Cindy Ann Road, Grand Junction, CO 81501

Member: Jeffrey J. Huber, 392 Silver Creek Lane, Grand Junction, CO 81504

Member: Jami L. Huber, 392 Silver Creek Lane, Grand Junction, CO 81504

Managing Member Richard Gavin Bistodeau was present to answer questions regarding the new license application. Hearing Officer Starritt asked Ms. Sandoval if the application was in order and to read the survey results into the record (attached). He asked if anyone was present to speak against the application. There was no one. He approved the application contingent on the Certificate of Occupancy being issued. 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 adjourned at 2:21 p.m.



MEMO: Local Licensing Authority

FROM: Selestina Sandoval, Deputy City Clerk

DATE: May 22, 2023

SUBJECT: Life to the Brim, LLC dba Melrose Spirit, 337 Colorado Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Lodging & Entertainment

A liquor license application permitting sales of malt, vinous and spirituous liquor for consumption at place where sold, was filed with the Local Licensing Authority on April 21, 2023 and on May 10, 2023 a legal notice was 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. The neighborhood was defined by those addresses within a half mile radius from the applicant's proposed 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:

FAVOR: 1

OPPOSE: 1

Residential Results:

FAVOR: 1

OPPOSE: 0

To date, no counter petitions or remonstrances have been filed.

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

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

Art Gallery Permit – 1 (CMU DT Art Gallery)

Beer & Wine – 4 (Kodiaxe, Café Sol, The Palette, & Board Fox Games)

Brew Pub – 2 (Rockslide and Trail Life Brewing)

Brewery Sales Room – 1 (Ramblebine)

Club – 1 (Elks)

FMB Off Premises – 1 (Alta 6312)

Hotel & Restaurant – 17 (Grand Junction Convention Center, Dream Café, Bistro 317, Goat & Clover, Guru's Kitchen, Il Bistro Italiano, Bin 707, Moody's, Suehiro's, 626 on Rood, The Winery, Junct'n Square Pizza, Blue Moon Bar & Grille, Las Marias, Taco Party, Feisty Pint, & Taqueria Guadalajara)

Limited Winery/Sales Room – 2 (Shiras Winery, & Carlson Vineyards)

Lodging & Entertainment – 2 (TRU by Hilton & Avalon)

Retail Liquor Store – 1 (Hog and the Hen)

Tavern – 8 (Fairfield Inn & Suites, Good Judy's, Spring Hill Suites, The Glorious Fig, Skorz, Two Rivers Tavern, Mesa Theater, & Quincy Bar & Grill)

Vintner's Restaurant – 1 (Cruise Control Kitchen)

ec: Richard Gavin Bistodeau, Applicant
Sam Starritt, Hearing Officer
John Shaver, City Attorney
Meghan DeHaan, Grand Junction Police Department
File

Life to the Brim, LLC dba Melrose Spirit Co. Neighborhood Area

