

GRAND JUNCTION LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY
MINUTES
May 15, 2024

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m. Those present were Hearing Officer Sam D. Starritt, City Attorney John Shaver, Deputy City Clerk Selestina Sandoval.

II. License Renewal Applications

1. Cerca Trova Southwest Restaurant Group, LLC dba Outback Steakhouse, 2432 Hwy. 6 & 50, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel & Restaurant
2. Dancing Spirits, LLC dba Horizon Liquor, 715 Horizon Drive, Suite #207, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Retail Liquor Store
3. Grand Junction Art Impressions, LLC dba Angelo's A Paint Your Own Pottery Studio, 2478 Patterson Road, Unit 11, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Beer & Wine
4. Brightstar Golf Redlands Mesa, LLC dba Golf Club at Redlands Mesa, 2325 W. Ridges Boulevard, Grand Junction, CO 81507, Hotel & Restaurant with 5 Optional Premises

Hearing Officer Starritt read renewals 1 – 4 into the record and verified with Ms. Sandoval the applications were in order. Hearing Officer Starritt asked if anyone was present to speak against any of the applications; there was no one.

Renewals 1 – 4 were approved.

III. New License Applications – Resolutions, Finding and Decisions

1. Gears and Grinds, LLC dba Mountain Air Roasters, 126 N 7th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Tavern

Managing Member: Jack Andersen, 300 Bella Court, Grand Junction, CO 81507

Jack Andersen was present to answer questions regarding the new license application and how the needs and desires survey was conducted. Hearing Officer Starritt asked Ms. Sandoval to read the survey results into the record (attached).

Hearing Officer Starritt verified with Ms. Sandoval the application was in order. Ms. Sandoval reported that the background results had not been received. Hearing Officer Starritt asked if anyone was present to speak against the application. There was no one.

Hearing Officer Starritt found the needs of the neighborhood are not being met and found no legal reason to deny the license. The new Tavern license application for Gears and Grinds, LLC dba Mountain Air Roasters was approved contingent upon clear background results being received. He also asked the applicant to ensure he obtains responsible server training. The City Clerk's Office will prepare a resolution of findings for Hearing Officer Starritt's signature.

IV. Special Event Permit Applications

1. Mesa County Libraries Foundation, 443 N 6th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, "Sippin' in the Stacks - 2024", Located at 443 N 6th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501 on June 23, 2024, from 2 - 5 p.m.

Development Director/Event Manager: Ami Schiffbauer, 539 29 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81504

Development Director/Event Manager Ami Schiffbauer was present and answered a series of questions regarding the event location, security, and how it will be conducted lawfully. Hearing Officer Starritt verified with Ms. Sandoval the application was in order and asked if there was anyone present to speak against the application. There was no one. Hearing Officer Starritt entered Exhibits "A" and "B" (attached) into the record.

Hearing Officer Starritt found that pursuant to the Colorado State Statue 44-05-106, 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 past special events to conduct the event in compliance with applicable laws. The application for the special event permit submitted by Mesa County Libraries Foundation for "Sippin' in the Stacks - 2024" was in order and approved contingent upon Ms. Schiffbauer obtaining training on the checking acceptable forms of identification for the service of alcohol.

V. Other Business

There was none.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:51 p.m.



MEMO: Local Licensing Authority
FROM: Selestina Sandoval, Deputy City Clerk
DATE: May 7, 2024
SUBJECT: Gears and Grinds, LLC dba Mountain Air Roasters, 126 N 7th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Tavern

A tavern 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 12, 2024 and on May 1, 2024 a legal notice was published in the Daily Sentinel and a "Notice of Hearing" was posted on the property.

A survey was conducted by the applicant to address the reasonable requirements of the neighborhood. The neighborhood was defined on the north by Gunnison Avenue, south by Pitkin Avenue, east by North 3rd Street and west by North 12th Street and includes both sides of the outer boundary streets. The City Clerk's Office reviewed the findings and obtained the following results (map attached):

Business Results:
FAVOR: 56
OPPOSE: 0

Residential Results:
FAVOR: 51
OPPOSE: 0

Four signatures were disqualified due to incomplete entries. Exhibits to survey sheets showed 120 addresses attempted without success due to no answer or no solicitors signs. To date, no counter petitions or remonstrances have been filed.

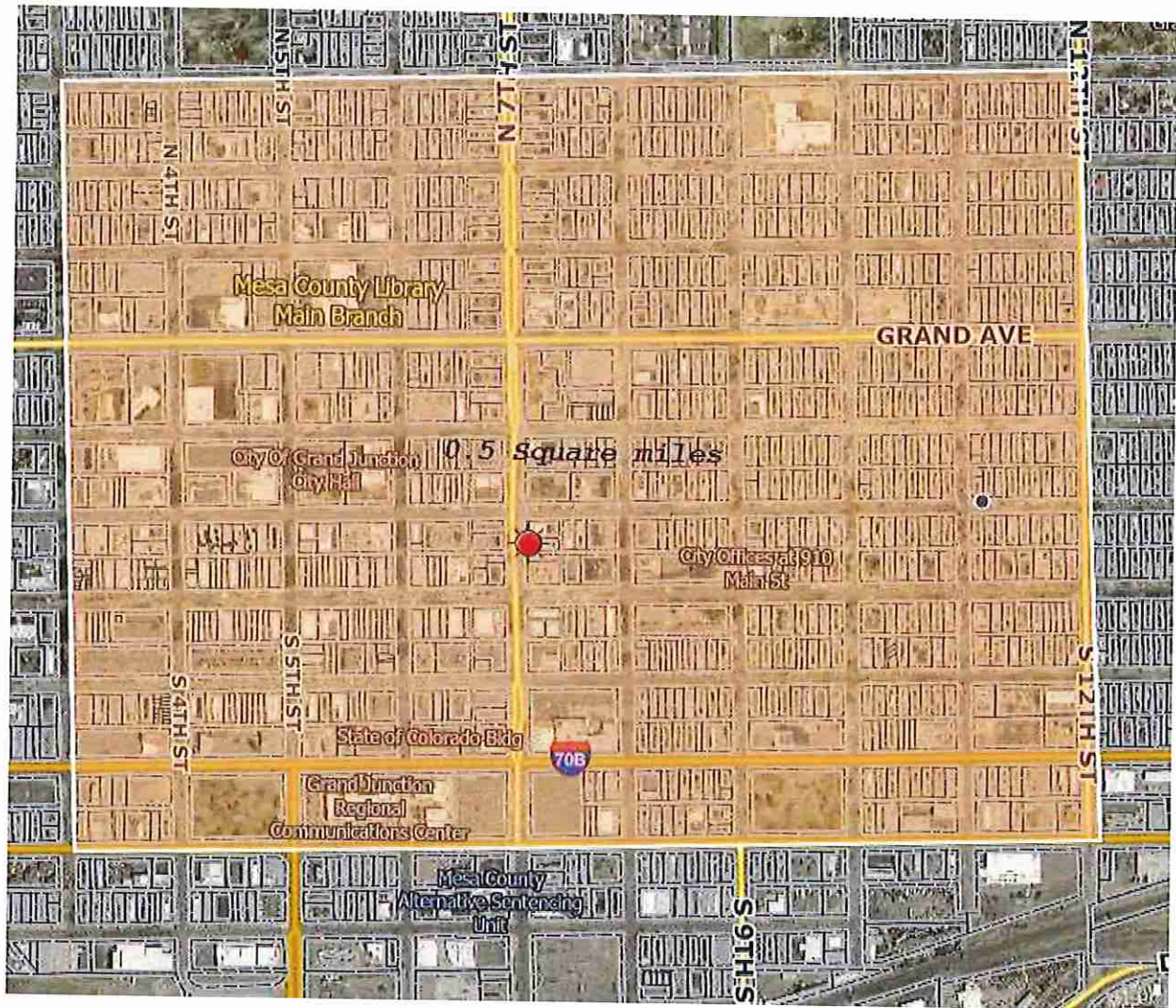
The Grand Junction Police Department will investigate the individuals for local criminal history. Reports have also been requested from Mesa County Public Health, the Grand Junction Fire Department, and the City of Grand Junction Sales Tax Department.

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

- Arts – 1 (Colorado Mesa University Downtown Art Gallery)
- Beer & Wine – 4 (Board Fox Games, Café Sol, Pablo's Pizza and The Palette)
- Brew Pub – 2 (Rockslide Brew Pub and Trail Life Brewing)
- Brewery/Sales Room – 1 (Ramblebine Brewing Company)
- Club – 1 (BPO Elks Lodge No. 575)
- Fermented Malt Beverage and Wine – 3 (Alta 6312, Circle K #2744116 and Stinker #323)
- Hotel & Restaurant – 19 (626 on Rood, Bin 707 Food Bar, Bistro 317, Blue Moon Bar & Grille, Brick on Main, Dream Café, El Tapatio, Feisty Pint, Guru's Kitchen, Il Bistro Italiano, Junct'n Square Pizza, Las Marias, Moody's, Pour Fellows, Suehiro Japanese Restaurant, TacoParty, The Goat and Clover Tavern, Two Rivers Convention Center, and The Winery)
- Limited Winery/Sales Room – 2 (Carlson Vineyards and Shiras Winery)
- Lodging & Entertainment – 4 (Avalon Theatre, Copeka Coffee, Melrose Spirit Co. and TRU by Hilton GJ Downtown)
- Retail Liquor Store – 3 (Andy's Liquor Mart, North Avenue Liquor and The Hog and the Hen Spirits)
- Tavern – 7 (Fairfield Inn & Suites, Mesa Theater, Quincy Bar & Grill, Skorz, Springhill Suites, The Glorious Fig and Two Rivers Tavern)
- Vintner's Restaurant – 1 (Cruise Control Kitchen & Cellar)

ec: Don Wilson, Applicant Representative
Sam Starritt, Hearing Officer
John Shaver, City Attorney
Meghan DeHaan, Grand Junction Police Department
File

Gears and Grinds, LLC dba Mountain Air Roasters Neighborhood Area



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SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT
QUESTIONNAIRE AND AFFIDAVIT

1. Name of Event: Sippin' in the Stacks

2. How many attendees are expected? Up to 300

3. Has the event been held in the past? If so, how many years? No.

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

5. Describe the premises at which the event will take place (attach diagram).
The event will take place at Mesa County Libraries' Central location in Grand Junction. Alcohol will be served in (and can be limited to) our community rooms on the main level of the library.

6. What type of and how many security will be provided?
A member of the library security staff will be on site throughout the event.

7. Describe the Security Control Plan (use additional sheet if necessary).
Attendees must be 21 or older and must provide proof of ID at the door. Only one door will be open for attendees to enter through (other doors will be available as fire exits, though these will locked on the outside. Attendees will receive two (2) drink tickets when they check in, to limit the amount of alcohol served to each attendee. Security staff and the event manager will have walkie-talkies to communicate throughout the event, should there be an emergency situation. Library security staff are very experienced de-escalating conflict situations and will escort anyone violating library policies from the premises.

8. How will security personnel be identified?
Security personnel will be wearing security uniforms and library name tags.

9. If this event is an outdoor event, how will the exterior boundaries of the premises be marked (i.e., roped, fenced, etc.)?
This event will take place indoors, with the exception of a fenced patio area only accessible through the community rooms of the library.

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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.)?

IDs will be checked at the door before attendees may enter. This event will be limited to adults 21 and older, so underage participants will be refused entry.

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

Staff serving alcohol will monitor the intoxication level of attendees when they are asked to serve.

Conduct of attendees will be monitored by library staff and security will be alerted if necessary.

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

We plan to hire servers for the event who have been trained in the sale & service of alcohol.

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

Non-alcoholic beverages including water and soda will be available, along with appetizer-type foods (TBD) and desserts.

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?

As a nonprofit, we are exempt from state sales tax; our state sales tax exemption number is 98-09111.

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.

Ann Schill

4/17/2024

Applicant's Signature

Date

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

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17 day of April, 20 24.

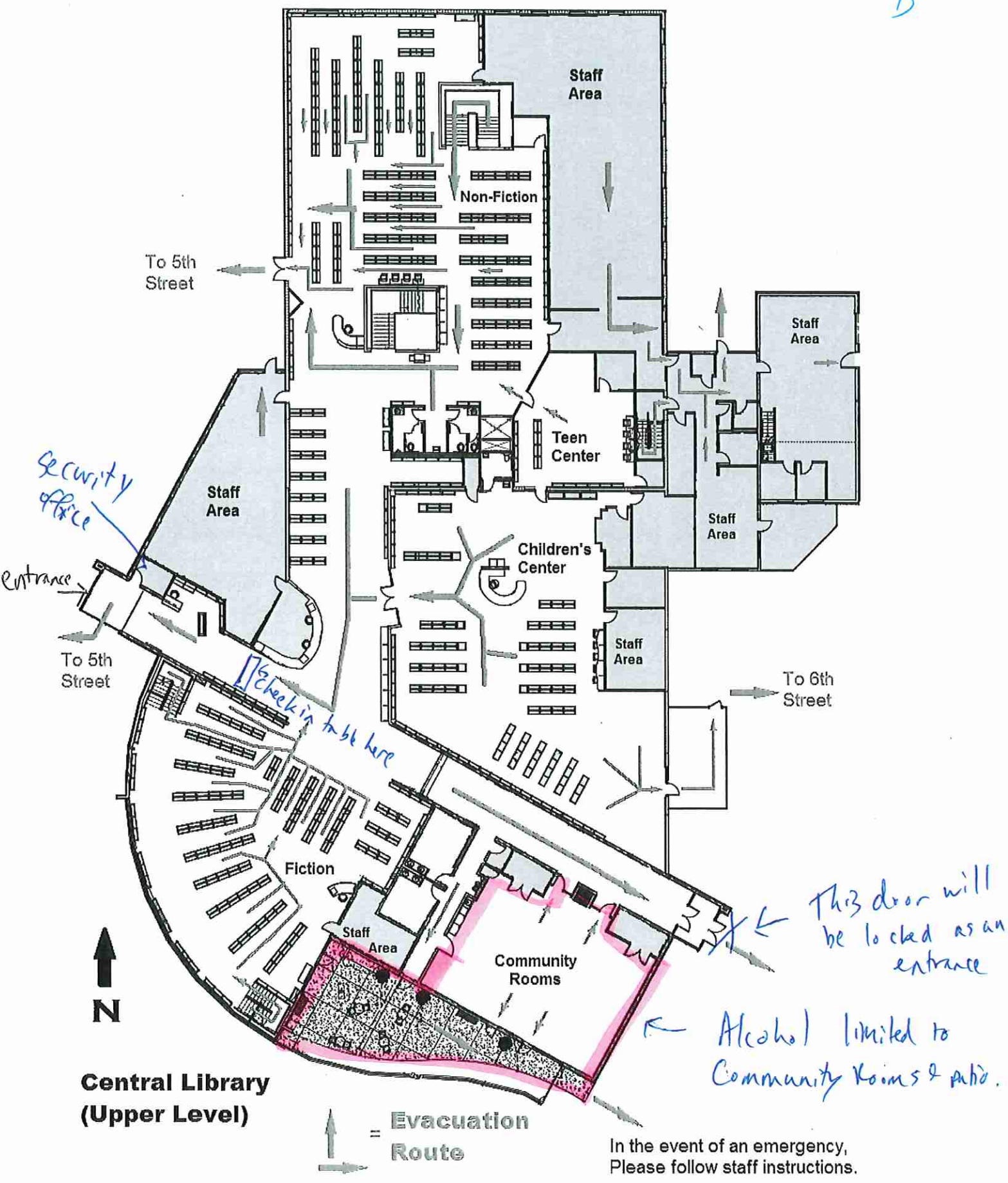
Witness my hand and official Seal.

R. M. Wade
Notary Public

11/22/2027
My commission expires

BLAIR M. WADE
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
NOTARY ID 20194044230
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES NOVEMBER 22, 2027

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**Central Library
(Upper Level)**

In the event of an emergency,
Please follow staff instructions.