

**GRAND JUNCTION LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY
MINUTES
March 19, 2025**

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 Misty Williams.

II. License Renewal Applications

1. Fantasy, LLC dba Fantasy, 2258 Colex Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Tavern
2. Gears and Grinds, LLC dba Mountain Air Roasters, 126 North 7th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Tavern
3. Pour Fellows, LLC dba Pour Fellows, 701 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel & Restaurant
4. City of Grand Junction dba Lincoln Park Sports Complex, 1307 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Lodging & Entertainment
5. Red Light Blue Light, LLC, dba Full Monty Liquors, 2695 Patterson Rd, Unit 9, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Liquor Store
6. Grand Valley Public Radio, Inc. dba KAFM Radio, 1310 Ute Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Arts License

Hearing Officer Starritt read renewals 1 – 6 into the record. He verified with Ms. Williams 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 – 6 were approved as requested.

III. Change in Corporate Structure Applications

1. Grand Valley Public Radio, Inc. dba KAFM Radio, 1310 Ute Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Arts License

Executive Director: Betty Ries (replacing Cyrene Jagger)
Board Member / Vice President: Tamara King (remains the same)
Board Member: Mark Tidd (replacing Julia Coffey)
Board Member: Linda Taylor (replacing Marianne Griffin)

Hearing Officer Starritt asked if there was a representative present from KAFM Radio. Betty Ries, Executive Director of KAFM Radio, was present to answer questions

regarding the changes to the corporate structure. Betty Ries became the Executive Director, Tamara King remains Vice President, Mark Tidd replaced Julia Coffey as a Board Member, and Linda Taylor replaced Marianne Griffin as a Board Member.

Hearing Officer Starritt verified with Ms. Williams that the background checks had been made. Ms. Williams confirmed that the background checks had been ordered, and we were awaiting the results. Hearing Officer Starritt asked if anyone was present to speak against the application; there was no one. Hearing Officer Starritt conditionally approved the change in corporate structure and asked that this application be revisited once the background checks have come back.

IV. Special Event Permit Applications

1. Rotary Club of Grand Junction – Horizon Sunrise, P.O. Box 459, Grand Junction CO 81501, "Beer Garden at Grand Valley Strength Games, Lincoln Park", Located at 910 N. 12th Street, Grand Junction CO 81501 on April 12, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Event Manager: Miquette Gerber, 324 Dakota Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81507

Event Manager Miquette Gerber was present and answered a series of questions regarding the event's location, security, and how it will be conducted lawfully.

Hearing Officer Starritt verified with Ms. Williams that 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 Statute 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 Rotary Club of Grand Junction – Horizon Sunrise, for "Beer Garden at Grand Valley Strength Games, Lincoln Park", was in order and approved. He requested that an updated diagram of the licensed area be provided to the City Clerk before receiving the Special Event Permit, showing the exact location of the fenced area being licensed.

2. City of Grand Junction Parks & Recreation, 1340 Gunnison Avenue, Grand Junction CO 81501, "Southwest Arbor Fest", Located at 1240 Gunnison Avenue, Grand Junction CO 81501 on April 26, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Event Manager: Tricia Rothwell, 1384 M Road, Loma, CO 81524

Event Manager Tricia Rothwell was present and answered a series of questions regarding the event's location, security, and how it will be conducted lawfully.

Hearing Officer Starritt verified with Ms. Williams that 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 Statute 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 City of Grand Junction Parks & Recreation, for "Southwest Arbor Fest", was in order and approved.

3. Colorado Mesa University Foundation, 1100 North Avenue, Grand Junction CO 81501, "CMU Grand Valley Beerfest", Located at Colorado Mesa University – Football Practice Field, 1000 Mesa Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501 on May 16, 2025, from 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Event Manager: Oscar Ramirez, 689 Anela Lane #B, Grand Junction, CO 81504

Event Manager Oscar Ramirez was present and answered a series of questions regarding the event's location, security, and how it will be conducted lawfully.

Hearing Officer Starritt verified with Ms. Williams that 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 Statute 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 Colorado Mesa University Foundation, for " CMU Grand Valley Beerfest", was in order and approved.

V. **Other Business**

There was none.

VI. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

**SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT
QUESTIONNAIRE AND AFFIDAVIT**

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1. Name of Event: Beer Garden at Grand Valley Strength Games, Lincoln Park

2. How many attendees are expected? ~600

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?
No

5. Describe the premises at which the event will take place (attach diagram).
Grassy area at Lincoln Park south of the barn.

6. What type of and how many security will be provided?
Volunteers will patrol the venue to ensure that any overserved individuals do not cause problems and will communicate with the servers to not continue service to overserved/unruly individuals.

7. Describe the Security Control Plan (use additional sheet if necessary).

Rotary volunteers will be posted at each entrance/exit to ensure no alcohol leaves the beer garden.

Area comprising the beer garden will be fenced with temporary fencing to limit where beer can be consumed.

Rotary volunteers will be on alert for anyone possibly overserved and will alert security or call 911, if needed.

8. How will security personnel be identified?
Rotary volunteers will wear blue tshirts identifying them as beer garden staff.

9. If this event is an outdoor event, how will the exterior boundaries of the premises be marked (i.e., roped, fenced, etc.)?
Pedestrian or other temporary fencing will be used.

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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.)?

Valid State or Federal issued forms of identification will be requested from anyone who appears to be 55 years of age. Once a person is verified to be over 21 years of age, they will be issued a wrist band. Only individuals wearing a wrist band will be allowed to purchase and be served beer.

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

Shouting, loud, and/or slurred speech. Unsteady/uneven gait and/or standing. In appropriate behavior.

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

Yes. many of our volunteers have taken the City's Liquor Server Training on multiple occasions. Our Rotary club has extensive experience successfully running beer gardens within Grand Junction.

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

Food trucks or other food vendors will be at the venue for event attendees.

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?

84-1499826

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.

Wignette Lelee
Applicant's Signature

2/18/25
Date

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

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of February, 2025.

Witness my hand and official Seal.

Brian Hostetter
Notary Public

BRIAN HOSTETTER
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
NOTARY ID 20164024812
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JUNE 29, 2028

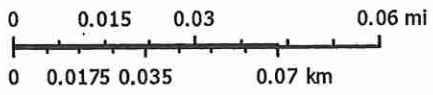
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My commission expires



*The Loop -
one known
Suburb
Avalanche CC Habitat.*

Mesa County Map

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SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT
QUESTIONNAIRE AND AFFIDAVIT

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1. Name of Event: Southwest Arbor Fest

2. How many attendees are expected? 3,000 - 5,000

3. Has the event been held in the past? If so, how many years? Yes, 20+ years

4. Have there ever been any violations or citations issued during the event in the past?
None to my knowledge.

5. Describe the premises at which the event will take place (attach diagram).
The event will be held in Lincoln Park in the grass area south of the Barn and west of the pool. It is called the "Loop".

6. What type of and how many security will be provided?
Citadel Security officers (4)
Parks and Recreation Staff (at least 6)

7. Describe the Security Control Plan (use additional sheet if necessary).
The perimeter will be fenced with t-posts and snow fence. There will be three entrances/exits. A security officer will be stationed at each entrance. The fourth officer will roam. Parks and Recreation staff will be throughout the area during the entire festival. All officers and staff will be looking for over-serving and monitoring the behavior of participants.

8. How will security personnel be identified?
All security personnel will have on a Citadel staff uniform. Parks and Recreation staff will be identified by a logoed shirt, jacket, and/or hat.

9. If this event is an outdoor event, how will the exterior boundaries of the premises be marked (i.e., roped, fenced, etc.)?
The perimeter will be fenced with t-posts and snow fence.

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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.)?

There will be one station at the north entrance where staff will check IDs, wristband those that are 21 years of age and older, and sell the tasting mug. Alcohol vendors will only serve to those that are wristbanded and have a mug.

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

Grand Junction Parks and Recreation, Citadel Security staff, and the beer vendors will monitor behavior and watch for signs and symptoms of intoxication in accordance with their training.

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

Yes, more than half have attended S.M.A.R.T. (Servers & Managers Alcohol Responsibility Training)

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

At least five food trucks will be on site selling food, non-alcoholic drinks, and water.

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?

State of Colorado: 41-74953-000 City of Grand Junction: 4890

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.

[Signature]
Applicant's Signature

2/20/2025
Date

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

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20 day of February, 20 25.

Witness my hand and official Seal.

[Signature]
Notary Public

Aug 16, 2027
My commission expires



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Lincoln Park
1240 Gunnison Ave.



Southwest Arbor Fest – April 26, 2025 – 11:00 am – 5:00 pm



- Restroom
- ▲ Hand Washing Station
- ◆ Beer Tasting Sales and ID Checking
- ✂ Food Vendors



Event perimeter fenced with t-posts and snow fence

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SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT
QUESTIONNAIRE AND AFFIDAVIT

1. Name of Event: CMU Grand Valley Beerfest

2. How many attendees are expected? 500

3. Has the event been held in the past? If so, how many years? 8

4. Have there ever been any violations or citations issued during the event in the past?
No past violations.

5. Describe the premises at which the event will take place (attach diagram).
The event will take place on campus on the Practice Football Field, see attached map.

6. What type of and how many security will be provided?
6 Hired Citadel Security Officers in uniform and 20 CMU staff designated in staff shirts.

7. Describe the Security Control Plan (use additional sheet if necessary).
The event will be held in an entirely fenced area with a single entrance/exit manned by a guard. A Citadel Officer will be checking ID's and verifying 21+ age upon entry. Anyone under 21 will be marked on both hands. There will be only one entrance and exit that everyone will have to check in at. Trained servers will be the only ones serving alcohol. The guards at the entrance/exit will be ensuring that no alcohol enters or leaves the premise. Trained bartenders, volunteers and Citadel Security will be monitoring intoxication levels all night.

8. How will security personnel be identified?
Citadel Security will be in uniform and CMU Athletics Staff will be designated with event specific shirts.

9. If this event is an outdoor event, how will the exterior boundaries of the premises be marked (i.e., roped, fenced, etc.)?
All exterior boundaries will be fenced with portable fencing and permanent barriers. See attached map for further details.

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.)? A

ID will be checked by Citadel Officer upon entry. All attendees 21+ will be wrist banded. At service stations only those with wristbands will be served. If the server questions age of attendee or they are not wrist banded, they will be sent back to Citadel for ID check and wristband.

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

Intoxication and conduct will be monitored by all trained servers and 2 roaming Citadel Security as well as CMU Staff.

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

Yes, all bartenders have been trained in sale and service of alcohol. Additionally, many CMU Staff volunteers are also trained.

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

Light snacks, chips, pretzels, pizza, and concessions. Water will be available as well.

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?

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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.

[Signature]
Applicant's Signature

1/30/25
Date

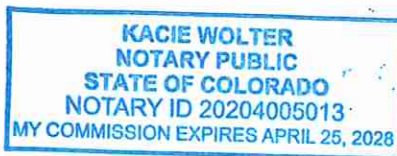
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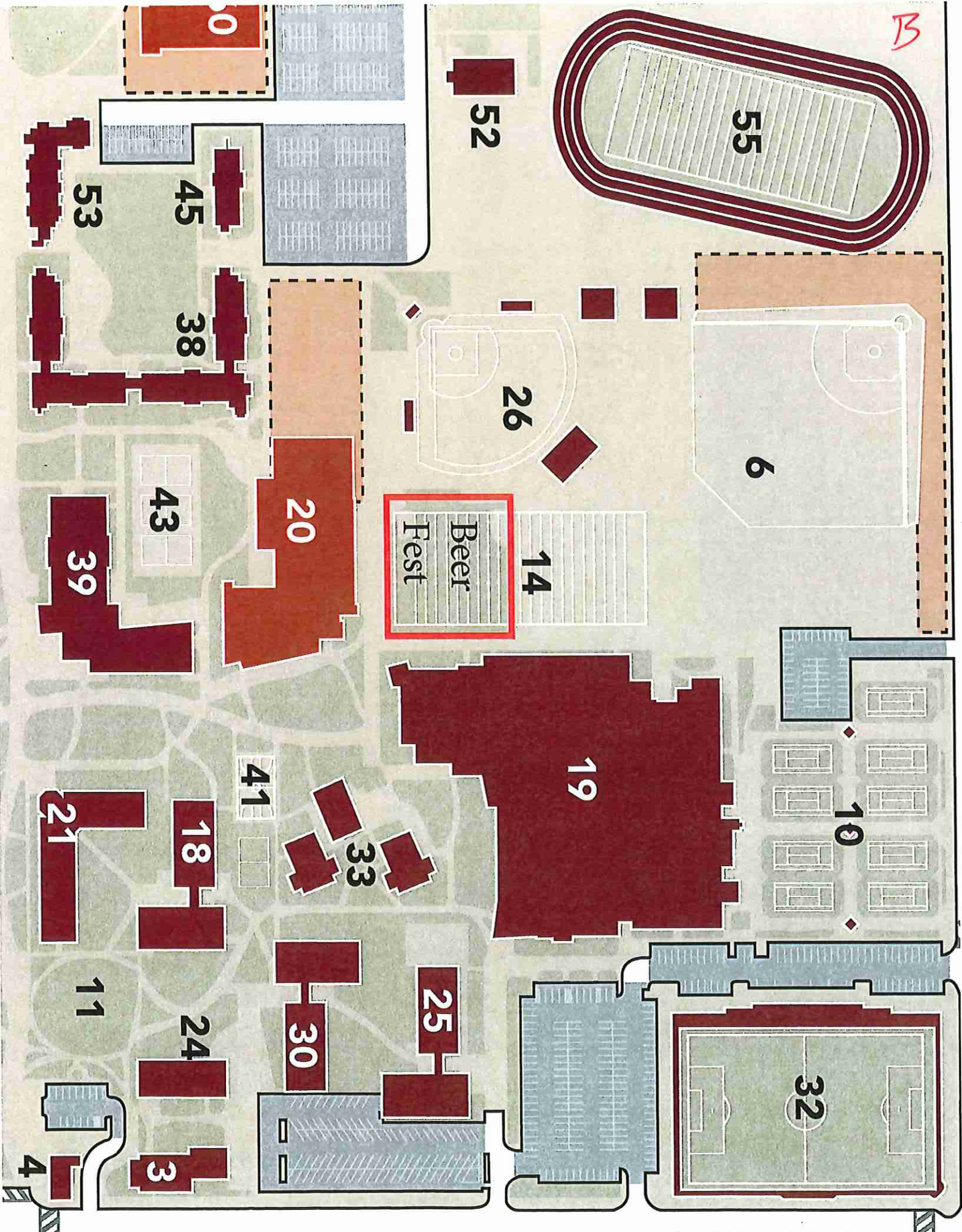
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 04 day of February, 20 25.

Witness my hand and official Seal.

[Signature]
Notary Public

April 25, 2028
My commission expires





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