LIQUOR AND BEER MEETING LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO MUNICIPAL HEARING ROOM, CITY HALL, 250 NORTH 5TH STREET

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2010 2:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting convened at 2:00 p.m. Those present were Hearing Officer Mike Grattan, City Attorney John Shaver, and Deputy City Clerk Debbie Kemp.

II. APPLICATIONS TO RENEW LIQUOR AND BEER LICENSES

- 1. Zen Garden, Inc. dba Zen Garden, 2886 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel and Restaurant, **Continued from October 6, 2010**
 - This item was moved to the end of the agenda.
- 2. TMPTF8, Inc. dba Rib City Grill, 2830 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel and Restaurant
 - No one was present representing the applicant. The application for renewal for Rib City Grill was found to be in order and approved.
- 3. Conchita's Mexican Restaurant, LLC. dba Conchita's Mexican Restaurant, 625 24 ½ Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel and Restaurant
 - No one was present representing the applicant. The application for renewal for Conchita's Mexican Restaurant was found to be in order and approved.
- 4. Portal One Corp. dba Smugglers Brewpub and Grill, 2412 Highway 6 and 50, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel and Restaurant
 - No one was present representing the applicant. The application for renewal for Smugglers Brewpub and Grill was found to be in order and approved.

III. <u>APPLICATION FOR RENEW LIQUOR AND BEER LICENSE AND REGISTRATION</u> <u>OF A NEW MANAGER</u>

1. Myths and Legends Inc., dba Quincy Bar and Grill, 609 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Tavern

Tia M. VanHouten, 3206 ½ White Circle W., Clifton, CO 81520 replaces Adelle Lloyd as manager

William Lloyd, owner, and Tia VanHouton, manager, were present.

Ms. Kemp stated that the Police Department reported two violations that had occurred in January 2010 at the establishment, one was dismissed by the District Attorney and the other one was a guilty plea. There was no action taken on either violation by the City or the State.

Hearing Officer Grattan asked City Attorney Shaver if there will be a Show Cause Hearing on the violation with the guilty plea. City Attorney Shaver stated that, after investigating the violation, it was determined that a Show Cause Hearing was not in order for evidentiary reasons.

The application for renewal and registration of a new manager for Quincy Bar and Grill was found to be in order and approved.

IV. APPLICATION FOR A TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP

 Byzantium Holdings, LLC. dba Ristorante Pantuso's, 755 Horizon Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81506, previously Coco's Bakery Restaurant, Hotel and Restaurant

Member: Christopher M. Blackburn, 645 Grand View Drive, Grand Junction,

CO 81506

Christopher Blackburn, member, was present.

Ms. Kemp reported that there was a balance due on the previous sales tax license, but Mr. Blackburn had taken care of it prior to the meeting.

The application for a transfer of ownership for Ristorante Pantuso's was found to be in order and approved.

V. <u>APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT</u>

 Powderhorn Racing Club, Inc., 200 Grand Avenue, Suite 400, Grand Junction, CO 81501 – Snowball 2010 at Mesa State College, College Center Ballroom, 1455 N. 12th Street, Rooms 235S, 236, and 236A, Grand Junction, CO 81501

President: David Mueller, 114 Mira Monte Road, Grand Junction, CO 81507 Event Manager: Ron Wilson, 2370 Rana Road, Grand Junction, CO 81507

David Mueller, Vice President of Powderhorn Racing Club, Inc., was present.

Hearing Officer Grattan asked Mr. Mueller what the hours of the event will be. Mr. Mueller stated that the hours will be 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

City Attorney Shaver asked, in reference to the letter provided by Mr. Mueller regarding inadequate existing facilities, to describe the event and what will actually be occurring. Mr. Mueller stated that this is a family event with both children and adults, past and present members of the local racing club, and also to honor some of the historic ski pioneers from Western Colorado. They chose the College Center because they wanted their venue to be swanky and they will be honoring Bill Foster (Tim Foster's deceased father) as one of the historic ski pioneers. They will also be able to use the food services there.

City Attorney Shaver asked if there was some financial consideration, reducing rent, etc. for using the College Center. Mr. Mueller stated that he knows that they are paying a fee, but is not sure what it is because he was not part of those negotiations.

City Attorney Shaver asked if he or any member of the corporation inquired about the usage of other existing licensed facilities. Mr. Mueller said they did. They held a board meeting and discussed this and determined this was the best facility to host the event. Mr. Mueller said that he could not represent that other existing licensed facilities were unavailable, but they did believe this was the best venue and most suited for the undertaking.

Hearing Officer Grattan asked if the facility that is being used is enclosed. Mr. Mueller stated it is, and they will partition off the upstairs. He said that they will be able to control the access.

Ms. Kemp provided Hearing Officer Grattan and City Attorney Shaver with diagrams of the proposed licensed premises. Hearing Officer Grattan marked the diagram indicating the licensed premises outlined in red as Exhibit A (see attached). He asked Mr. Mueller how they would limit the use of alcohol outside of that area. Mr. Mueller said that they would control the ingress and egress. There is a partition and it will be maintained and enforced. They will card people and have a stamp to know those who are of legal age to consume beer and wine.

Hearing Officer Grattan asked if they would allow alcohol to go beyond the red outlined area. Mr. Mueller said no, under no circumstances. Hearing Officer Grattan asked about the nature of the partition. Mr. Mueller said it was described to him as a physical barrier. City Attorney Shaver asked if the barrier would be at the dotted line in red. Mr. Mueller said that it would be. Hearing Officer Grattan entered the drawing into the record of the college campus indicating where the College Center is as Exhibit B (see attached).

The application for a special events permit for Snowball 2010 was found to be in order and approved subject to a condition that the red outlined area on Exhibit A be cordoned off with appropriate access with a barrier that prevents unauthorized removal or entry of alcoholic beverages.

II. <u>APPLICATIONS TO RENEW LIQUOR AND BEER LICENSE</u> – moved from first item on the agenda

1. Zen Garden, Inc. dba Zen Garden, 2886 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel and Restaurant, **Continued from October 6, 2010**

No one was present representing the applicant.

Ms. Kemp stated that this item was continued because of a violation that was reported by the Fire Department.

Ronnie Edwards with the Grand Junction Fire Department reported that the violation had been corrected when she conducted a site check on October 13, 2010.

City Attorney Shaver stated that he had a conversation with the legal representative, Mr. Schweissing, for the applicant based on the concern of a possible violation of the stipulation relative to the applicant's daughter which was prohibited from serving alcohol which City Liquor Enforcement Officer Maestas had concern with when paying a site visit to the establishment and had observed that the daughter was the only person on the premises. City Attorney Shaver advised Mr. Schweissing that the Hearing Officer would like the applicant to appear at the Liquor and Beer meeting held on October 20, 2010, which Mr. Schweissing had said he would contact his client and secure his attendance.

Hearing Officer Grattan continued the renewal for Zen Garden to the Liquor and Beer meeting on November 3, 2010 and asked that the City Attorney's office notify Mr. Schweissing again. City Attorney Shaver advised that he will notify Mr. Schweissing in writing.

I. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – November 3, 2010





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