

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

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2001, 9:00 A.M.

I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was convened at 9:02 a.m. Those present were Alternate Hearing Officer James Majors, Assistant City Attorney John Shaver and Senior Administrative Assistant Christine English.

II. **APPLICATIONS TO RENEW LIQUOR AND BEER LICENSES**

1. Feather Petroleum Company dba Stop N Save No. 3, 723 Horizon Drive, 3.2% Beer Off Premise

The application was in order and approved.

2. Los Reyes Restaurant Incorporated dba Los Reyes Restaurant, 811 South 7th Street, Hotel and Restaurant

The application was in order and approved.

III. **RESOLUTION OF FINDINGS AND DECISION RE: APPLICATION FOR NEW LICENSE – Concurrent Review**

1. Surang Unaboot dba Ying Thai Restaurant, 757 Highway 50 South, Hotel and Restaurant

Applicant: Surang Unaboot, 1915 Bunting Avenue, Grand Junction

Surang Unaboot and attorney Tom LaCroix were present. The application was in order and Ms. English read into the record the results of the survey (see attached). Mr. LaCroix stated the initial survey was conducted by the applicant and her sister the week before Christmas which made it difficult to collect signatures as people were busy and did not want to be bothered. The applicant's sister conducted another survey the week after Christmas. The results of that survey on question #1 is 13 people felt the needs and desires of the neighborhood were not being met and 4 felt they were. On question #2, 16 out of the 17 signers desired that the license issue. The nature of the establishment is such that people come from many surrounding areas to enjoy the cuisine and have expressed a desire to be able to have a glass of wine with their meal. The surrounding businesses all support the issuance of the liquor license. Mr. LaCroix stated the results of both surveys were true and accurate.

Mr. Shaver questioned Mr. LaCroix concerning the results of the first survey. Mr. LaCroix stated many people did not want to be bothered about a liquor survey the week before Christmas and that there was no duplication of signatures in the two surveys.

Mr. Majors stated the statutory requirements have been met and approved the issuance of the license.

IV. **ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – January 17, 2001 with Alternate Hearing Officer James Majors

Memo to: Local Licensing Authority
From: Christine English, Sr. Administrative Assistant
Date: December 28, 2000
Subject: Application by Surang Unaboot for a new Beer and Wine Liquor License at 757 Highway 50 South under the name of Ying Thai Restaurant

Surang Unaboot Incorporated filed an application with the Local Licensing Authority on November 30, 2000, for a new Beer and Wine liquor license for the sales of malt and vinous liquors by the drink for consumption on the premises at 757 Highway 50 South under the trade name of Ying Thai Restaurant. The application and supplementary documents were reviewed, found to be in order and accepted. The application has been sent to the State for a concurrent review. The hearing date was set for January 3, 2001. The Notice of Hearing was given by posting a sign on the property on December 22, 2000 and by publishing a display ad in The Daily Sentinel on December 22, 2000.

In order to address the reasonable requirements of the neighborhood and the desires of the adult inhabitants of the neighborhood, the applicant conducted a survey and defined the neighborhood as the area bounded by Colorado River on the north, B ½ Road (if extended) on the south, 27 Road on the east and the Gunnison River on the west and included both sides of the streets as the outer boundaries. The results of that survey are as follows:

1. As an owner of property in the neighborhood, an employee of or business lessee of property in the neighborhood, and/or an inhabitant residing in the neighborhood for more than six months each year, I believe the reasonable requirements of the neighborhood are already being met by other existing outlets.

YES: 9
NO: 4

2. As an inhabitant who resides in the neighborhood more than six months each year, it is my desire that the license be issued.

YES: 2
NO: 0
NOT APPLICABLE: 0

A total of fourteen (14) signatures could not be counted: (5) were outside the survey area and (9) marked the address as business and answered question #2 which is for inhabitants only.

The Grand Junction Police Department has investigated the applicant for local criminal history and none was found. The fingerprints have been forwarded onto CBI for further processing. The premises have been inspected by the Grand Junction Fire Department and the Mesa County Health Department and were found to be in compliance. The City Code Enforcement division inspected the premises to be sure the diagram submitted matched the actual layout of the premises, which it does and that the Notice of Hearing was posted in a timely manner, which it was.

The number of similar-type outlets in the survey area is as follows:

Beer and Wine – 0

The number of similar type outlets in a one mile area in addition to the above are:

Beer and Wine – 0

That concludes this report.

cc: Applicant
John Shaver, Assistant City Attorney
Julia Marston, Grand Junction Police Department
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