

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

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2002, 9:00 A.M.

I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting convened at 9:00 a.m. Those present were Hearing Officer Phil Coebergh, Assistant City Attorney John Shaver and Deputy City Clerk Christine English.

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

1. Orchard Mesa Liquors LLC dba Orchard Mesa Liquors, 2706 Highway 50, Retail Liquor Store

The application was found to be in order and approved.

2. Coral Incorporated dba Country Inn of Grand Junction, 718 Horizon Drive, Tavern

Krystyna Lupinski, corporate officer, was present. Coral Incorporated is also filing a change in the corporate name today. The applications were found to be in order and approved.

III. **REPORT OF CHANGE IN CORPORATE STRUCTURE**

1. Dillon Companies Incorporated dba City Market, **4 Locations**, 3.2 % Beer Off Premise-Master File in Denver

Vice President: Robert G. Colvey replaces Anthony Prinster

Vice President: Phyllis Norris replaces Joe Pichler

Assistant Treasurer: Thomas A. Smith appointed

Ms. English reported since a Master File is maintained in Denver, this is just a report of the change in the corporate structure to the Local Licensing Authority. The application was found to be in order and approved.

IV. **APPLICATION FOR MODIFICATION OF PREMISES**

1. Dillon Companies Incorporated dba City Market #32, 200 Rood Avenue, 3.2% Beer Off Premise

Interior remodel of store with 30 linear feet of beer storage.

The application was found to be in order and approved.

V. **APPLICATIONS FOR SPECIAL EVENTS PERMITS**

1. Applications by the Grand Junction Downtown Association for Malt and Vinous Special Events Permits for "Southwest Fest" on April 20, 2002 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Main Street between 4th and 7th Streets and "Arts & Jazz Festival" on June 7th, from 4 p.m. to

Midnight, June 8 from 10 a.m. to Midnight and June 9th, 2002 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Main Street between 3rd and 5th Streets

Applicant: Grand Junction Downtown Association, PO Box 296,
Grand Junction
President/Secretary: Susan Cafarelli, 645 Kayenta, Grand Junction
Event Manager: Jean Morgan, 642 Gold Leaf Court, Grand Junction

Scott Howard, treasurer, was present. There was no opposition present. The applications were found to be in order and approved.

VI. RESOLUTION OF FINDINGS AND DECISION RE: APPLICATION FOR NEW LICENSE

1. The End Zone Eatery & Pub Incorporated dba Bengal's Lair, 234 Main Street, Hotel and Restaurant-**Continued from February 20, 2002 Meeting**

Applicant: The End Zone Eatery & Pub Incorporated, PO Box 147, Fruita, CO
President: LaChelle Peugh, 321 North Peach, Fruita, CO
Treasurer: Donna Greager, 605 Meander Drive, Grand Junction, CO

LaChelle Peugh and attorney Ed Nugent were present. Ms. English stated the Health Department submitted a report dated February 21, 2002 whereby final opening inspection was completed and the applicant was found to be in compliance. The Mesa County Building Department has also filed a Certificate of Occupancy dated February 21, 2002. On February 25, 2002, a letter of opposition was faxed to the City Clerk's office. There is no signature on the letter.

Mr. Nugent stated a new menu has been submitted and the Health Department has approved the kitchen area and equipment. He also had photographs of the kitchen area and a work schedule of the kitchen workers if there is a question as to whether or not the kitchen will be operating as prescribed by the State Statutes.

Mr. Coebergh asked how the fruits and vegetables would be prepared if there is not a prep sink in the kitchen. Mr. Nugent stated the establishment would be receiving prewashed fruits and vegetables from the distributor.

Mr. Shaver stated evidence has been provided that the applicant has come into compliance with the requirements of the Health and Building Departments. Mr. Shaver reminded the applicant that they are under an obligation to continue operating under the requirements of a hotel and restaurant liquor license. These requirements need to be met on a consistent basis.

Mr. Coebergh concurred with Mr. Shaver. Monique Mull, Mesa County Health Department was present but did not come forward to speak. There was no opposition present. The application was found to be in order and approved.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS-UPDATE ON STATUS OF LEASE

1. Black Sam Incorporated dba Pantuso's Ristorante, 2782 Crossroads Blvd, Hotel and Restaurant

Christopher Blackburn, corporate office of Black Sam Incorporated, was present. Mr. Blackburn stated the status of the lease has not changed from last year; it is still in litigation. Property has been obtained to build a new facility and he is in the process of

finalizing that now. Mr. Blackburn stated construction should beginning in approximately 2 weeks. The proper paperwork that needs to be filed to change the location of the liquor license has been picked up from the City Clerk's office and will be submitted soon. Mr. Blackburn stated a letter has been sent to the lessor notifying them that as soon as Mr. Blackburn receives approval from the City on the property, the lessor will be given a 6 months notice that they will be vacating the current facility. In the meantime, they maintain possession of the current premises until the trial date, which has not yet been set. The case is still in the discovery stage.

Mr. Coebergh stated this is a difficult situation and would like to bring the applicant back in 6 months to again update the Local Licensing Authority on the status of this case.

Ms. English stated the application for renewal at the current location is set for the April 3, 2002 hearing. Mr. Blackburn stated the application for a change of location should be filed prior to that date.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 a.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – The next regularly scheduled Liquor and Beer Meeting has been cancelled. The next meeting is scheduled for April 3, 2002.