

# Grapevine

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## ***Congratulations on your New Licenses***

***China City, Inc. dba Grand China Restaurant, 509 28 1/2 Road, Hotel and Restaurant***

***Grand White Etkin LLC & White Lodging Services Corp. dba Residence Inn by Marriott, 767 Horizon Drive, Tavern***

***Grand White Etkin LLC & White Lodging Service Corp. dba Courtyard by Marriott, 765 Horizon Drive, Tavern***

***Chipotle Mexican Grill Inc. dba Chipotle Mexican Grill, 2504 Hwy 68&50, Hotel and Restaurant***



**Next Seller/Serving Responsibility Training to be held at City Hall Auditorium  
250 N. 5th Street  
Saturday April 7, 2007 8:00 a.m. — Noon**

**Review of items** . . . It's been brought to our attention that when a new manager comes on board, sometimes they do not know what their requirements are in reporting to the Local Authority (City Clerk's Office) or to the State. Some new managers come from other States and do not realize the laws are different from state to state. The City Clerk's Office provides a "Colorado Liquor and Beer Licensee Handbook" for all new license holders. These are also available to anyone else who would like a copy, just call us at 970.244.1509. We will highlight areas that are usually most frequently asked.

**Compliance Inspections:** The licensed premises, including any places of storage where alcohol beverages are stored or dispensed, shall be subject to inspection by the State or Local Licensing Authorities and their investigators, or peace officers, during all business hours and all other times of apparent activity, for the purpose of inspection or investigation.

**Licenses/Permits posted:** Liquor and Beer Licensees must have currently valid State and Local liquor or beer licenses, sales tax and food service licenses posted conspicuously on the licensed premises so that the general public can see them.

**Minor Warning Sign Posted:** You must have a sign, which warns underage persons that it is illegal to attempt to purchase alcohol beverages. These signs are available at the City Clerk's office free of charge.

**Books and Invoices Available:** Licensees are required to maintain records to fully show all business transactions and must make these records available for examination upon request.

**Manager Registration with Authorities:** Hotel and Restaurant and Tavern Licensees must have a separate and distinct manager and must register that manager with the local and state licensing authorities. An establishment with a change in manager only has 5

days to notify the Authority and 30 days to file the paperwork.

**Trade Name Properly Registered:** The business name, commonly known as the trade name or "d/b/a" must be properly listed on licenses. You must notify your local authority 10 days prior to changing the business' name.

**Compliance with Intoxicated Sale Restrictions:** Persons who exhibit or display visible signs of intoxication, i.e. Swaying, blood shot eyes, slurred speech, loud-boisterous behavior, may not be served alcohol beverages.

**Sale to Minor Provisions:** It is unlawful for a Licensee to sell, serve, give or allow the consumption or possession of alcohol beverages to or for a person under the age of 21 years.

**Hours alcohol beverages may be sold:**

**On-Premises Liquor Licensees** - Licensees who sell alcohol beverages for consumption on the premises, i.e. Taverns, restaurants, brewpubs, may sell alcohol beverages to be consumed on the premises from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m., 365 days a year.

**Off-Premises Liquor Licensees** - Licensees who sell alcohol beverages in sealed containers, for consumption off the licensed premises, i.e. Liquor stores and brewpubs, may sell alcohol beverages in sealed containers from 8:00 a.m. until midnight everyday except Sundays and Christmas.

**3.2% Beer Licensees** - May be sold from 5:00 a.m. until midnight, 365 days a year.

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## **UPDATED NEWS FROM THE STATE LIQUOR ENFORCEMENT DIVISION...**

**They have a new Executive Director—Roxanne Huber and a new Acting Division Director—Dan Hartman.**

**Phone number for questions to the State Division of Liquor Enforcement (303) 205-2300**

**Local Liquor Enforcement Investigators  
Brian Turner and Brian Dyet (970) 248-7133**

**City of Grand Junction Liquor Enforcement Officer TJ Rix (970) 244-3587**

**City Clerk's Office (970) 244-1509**

**City Sales Tax (970) 244-1521**

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**Is public consumption of alcohol beverages legal:** Colorado law prohibits public consumption of malt liquor (beer other than 3.2% beer), vinous liquor (wine) and spirituous liquors (bourbon, gin, vodka, etc.) in public, except in a business which is licensed with a Colorado liquor license. Public consumption of 3.2% beer is not prohibited by state law, however, many cities and counties have local laws prohibiting or restricting public consumption of 3.2% beer.

**Can I bring my own alcohol beverages into a place that has a liquor license:** It is unlawful to bring alcohol beverages into any place that is licensed to sell or serve alcohol beverages. Similarly, it is unlawful to bring alcohol beverages into an unlicensed public business for consumption due to the prohibition on public consumption.

**Can I renovate or remodel my licensed premise:** Once you have received your Colorado liquor license, you may not cause structural changes to your licensed business without first reporting the changes to the local and state licensing authorities. Cosmetic changes, ie. painting, carpeting, etc. generally do not require authorization. However, the addition of a bar (or to lengthen a bar), or the relocation of entrances or exits, the addition of (or delineation of ) walls, patio areas, etc. require pre-approval from the local and state licensing authorities. Always contact the City Clerk's Office for clarification.

**If I sell my business, does the buyer have to obtain its own liquor license to continue the operation of the business:** The new owner of the business must acquire its own liquor or beer license by filing applications with the local licensing authority. Should the new owner desire to operate, it must ask the local authority for a "temporary permit" which may be granted upon filing of the applications for a permanent annual license. It is unlawful for you to allow anyone to "use" your license.

**Corporation and Limited Liability Company changes:** These who are purchased and remain in business as the licensee/owner of the business, may continue to operate and must only report the "internal changes" ie.: Change of officers, directors, stockholders, members, etc. to the local licensing authority and the report must be filed within 30 days.

**How often do I have to renew my liquor or beer license:** The State and City liquor licenses must be renewed every year. Liquor licenses, unlike many other licenses, are not issued on a calendar year basis. Instead they expire one year from the date when the initial license is issued. Your renewal will be mailed to the business address or mailing address at least 90 days before your license expires. It is your responsibility to file with your local licensing authority at least 45 days before the expiration date. Failure to do so may result in the license not being renewed.

**Where can I purchase my alcohol beverage inventory:** All retail liquor and beer licensees may purchase their alcohol beverage inventory from a licensed Colorado Brewpub, Winery or Wholesale licensee. All purchases must be evidenced by a receipt or invoice which is to be maintained by the Licensee.

**Can I cater or deliver alcohol beverages:**

It is unlawful to sell alcohol beverages (as a caterer, bartender or other person) without first being licensed to do so. Since liquor and beer licenses are issued to a specific licensee at a specific place, there exists no license for the "mobile" catering of alcohol beverages. Those liquor and beer licensees that have a Retail Liquor Store License, Drug Store License, or a On/Off Premises 3.2% Beer License, may deliver alcohol beverages upon acquiring a delivery permit from the Liquor Enforcement Division.

**DUE TO RENEW -**  
**RENEWALS ARE DUE TO THE**  
**CLERK'S OFFICE 45 DAYS PRIOR**  
**TO EXPIRATION**

Western Co Center for the Arts	06/01
Horizon Drive Shell	06/02
Red Robin Gourmet Burgers	06/04
Cruisers Southwestern Grill	06/05
Bear Rock Café	06/07
Rite Aid #6258	06/09
Brass Rail Lounge	06/11
Western Colorado Botanical Gardens	06/14
House of Spirits	06/14
Sam's Club #6360	06/15
Blue Moon Bar & Grille	06/22
Hilltop Liquor Store	06/23
Chupiro's Place	06/27
Reyes Taqueria	07/05
Fly'n Roosters	07/06
Mad Mac's BBQ	07/07
Coco's Bakery Restaurant	07/08
Redlands Liquor	07/10
Good Pastures	07/14
Kuniko's Teriyaki Grill	07/17
Loco Food Store #15	07/22
Tequila's	07/26
Eastgate Liquors	07/27
El Tapatio	08/01
Outback Steakhouse	08/04
Avalon Theatre	08/04
Junction Bingo Café	08/06
Albertson's Food Center #897	08/06
Albertson's Fuel Center #897	08/06
Safeway Store #2625	08/06
Albertson's Food Center #896	08/06
Cottonwood Liquors	08/07
Genghis Grill	08/10
Golf Club at Redlands Mesa	08/14
Freeway Bowling Lanes	08/14
Stop N Save #4	08/14
Chuck E. Cheese's	08/18
Rockslide Brew Pub	08/18
C&F Food Store No. 1	08/24
C&F Food Store No. 3	08/24
C&F Food Store No. 4	08/24
Rite Aid #6367	08/26
Texas Roadhouse	08/26