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

## M I N U T E S WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2017, 2:00 P.M.

## HEARING OFFICER SAM D. STARRITT

## 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 Janet Harrell.

## II. APPLICATIONS TO RENEW LIQUOR AND BEER LICENSES

1. JJ's Cruisers, LLC dba Cruisers, 715 Horizon Drive, Suite 100, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Tavern – **Continued from July 5, 2017** 

James S. Hadrath and John Uren were present to represent the applicant (coowners of Cruisers). The Police Report noted John Uren has had three DUI offences and one over-service citation on behalf of the establishment. Since the offences were mostly personal, and did not occur at the establishment, the renewal application for JJ's Cruisers, LLC dba Cruisers was found to be in order and approved.

2. Dillon Companies, Inc. dba City Market #51, 630 24 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505, 3.2% Beer Off-Premises

No one was present to represent the applicant. The renewal application for Dillon Companies, Inc. dba City Market was found to be in order and approved.

3. Orange Coast Investment, Inc. dba Grand Vista Hotel, 2790 Crossroads Blvd., Grand Junction, CO 81506, Hotel and Restaurant

Debbie Revis, manager, was present to represent the applicant. The renewal application for Orange Coast Investment, Inc. dba Grand Vista Hotel was found to be in order and approved.

4. SSH TRS M and White Lodging Services Corporation dba Courtyard by Marriott Grand Junction, 765 Horizon Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Tavern

No one was present to represent the applicant. The renewal application for SSH TRS M and White Lodging Services Corporation dba Courtyard by Marriott Grand Junction was found to be in order and approved.

5. 314 Main, LLC dba Dream Cafe, 314 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel and Restaurant and Outdoor Dining Lease

No one was present to represent the applicant. The renewal application and outdoor dining lease for 314 Main, LLC dba Dream Café were found to be in order and approved.

6. Black Dog Grills, LLC dba Genghis Grill, 2474-C Hwy. 6 & 50, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel and Restaurant

No one was present to represent the applicant. The renewal application for Black Dog Grills, LLC dba Genghis Grill was found to be in order and approved.

7. Hilda M. Landeros dba Taqueria Guadalajara, 719 Pitkin Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel and Restaurant

No one was present to represent the applicant. The renewal application for Hilda M. Landeros dba Taqueria Guadalajara was found to be in order and approved.

## III. <u>APPLICATION TO RENEW LIQUOR AND BEER LICENSES AND CHANGE IN</u> <u>MANAGER</u>

1. CEC Entertainment, Inc. dba Chuck E Cheese's, 2424 Hwy. 6 & 50, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel and Restaurant

Manager: Kelly A. Savage, 2936 Kathy Jo Lane, Grand Junction, CO 81503 replaces Trevor Roffe

No one was present to represent the applicant. The renewal application and change in manager for CEC Entertainment, Inc. dba Chuck E Cheese's were found to be in order and approved.

## IV. APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP

T-Bird Southwest Restaurant Group, LLC dba Outback Steakhouse, 2432 Hwy.
 6 & 50, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel and Restaurant

Member: Michael F. Wong, 10220 Paseo de Linda, San Diego, CA 92127 Member: Elliot W. Maluth, 2907 Privet Drive, Hillsborough, CA 94010 Manager: Kristina R. Babcock, 1605 H75 Road, Delta, CO 81416

Loren Brown, T-Bird Southwest Restaurant Group, LLC attorney, and manager Kristina Babcock were present to represent the applicant.

Several violations were cited by the Mesa County Health Department (MCHD). Ms. Babcock addressed the violations. The transfer of ownership for T-Bird Southwest Restaurant Group, LLC dba Outback Steakhouse was found to be in order and approved contingent on a favorable re-inspection by the MCHD within 60 days.

# V. APPLICATION FOR NEW LICENSE – RESOLUTION, FINDINGS, AND DECISION

1. Ginger Restaurant, Inc. dba Ginger Restaurant, 2381 Patterson Road, Unit 111, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Beer and Wine

President: Linda Hong, 3168 Stoneburro Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81504

Wendy Trinh, manager, Cynthia Boettcher-Hale, bookkeeper, and James Hale, who conducted the survey, were present to represent the applicant. Deputy City Clerk Harrell said the City Clerk's Office has not received final inspection reports from the Fire and Health departments. Ms. Trinh said the restaurant had just received their Certificate of Occupancy. Survey results were shared by Deputy City Clerk Harrell (attached). Mr. Hale reviewed the survey method. Hearing Officer Starritt asked Mr. Hale where he conducted the residential portion of the survey and what questions he asked. Mr. Hale said he concentrated his efforts north and south of Goodwill and notified the signers why he was conducting the survey, who it was for, and where the establishment is located. City Attorney Shaver expressed concern over the amount of no answers; there were 90 answers and 112 no answers. Mr. Hale commented that it was difficult to get people to participate and he chose not to follow up on the no answers.

Hearing Officer Starritt asked if anyone would like to speak against the application. There was no one. He then said based on the information presented, there is no evidence that the application would not meet the needs and desires of the neighborhood and approved the application. The City Clerk's Office will prepare a resolution of findings for Hearing Officer Starritt's signature.

# VI. APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT

 Community Hospital Foundation, Inc., 2351 G Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505 – 2017 Tour of the Valley Bike Ride Event, August 12, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – 2351 G Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Beer and Wine

President/CEO: Chris Thomas, 2058 Baseline Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81507

Event Manager: Karen Martsolf, 791 Yew Street, Fruita, CO 81521

Hearing Officer Starritt disclosed he is the Chairman of Community Hospital Board of Trustees which is totally separate and distinct from the Community Hospital (CH) Foundation, therefore he did not feel it was necessary to remove himself from the application approval process. City Attorney Shaver concurred and said there were no issues seen by the City for him to not hear the item.

Karen Martsolf, event manager, was present.

City Attorney Shaver provided Ms. Martsolf with three documents, marked "A". "B", and "C" and asked if she had personal knowledge of them. Ms. Martsolf said she prepared them. City Attorney Shaver then asked why she had prepared them. As CH's Foundation Director, she submitted the application for the Tour of the Valley Event. City Attorney Shaver directed her attention to exhibit "A" and asked her to describe it. Ms. Martsolf said it is the application questionnaire she completed for the proposed event on August 12<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. City Attorney Shaver asked Ms. Martsolf to describe the event. Ms. Martsolf explained that this is a fundraiser for the CH Foundation and this will be the 29<sup>th</sup> year hosting the bike ride. She spoke of how the bike ride goes throughout the Grand Valley, starting and ending at the hospital. City Attorney Shaver asked if there had been any problems in the past. Ms. Martsolf responded no, not to her knowledge. City Attorney Shaver asked how many people are expected to participate in the ride and how may are expected to drink alcohol. Ms. Martsolf said they expect about 400 cyclists and about 85% would be old enough to drink, but that the alcohol service is incidental to the event as a whole. City Attorney Shaver asked Ms. Martsolf to describe how they will ensure the alcohol service will be done lawfully. She said fencing will be around the entire event area and around the alcohol service area: ID's will be checked by CH staff and wristbands will be issued to those 21 and over and four security guards will also be present to ensure the safety of all participants. City Attorney Shaver asked Ms. Martsolf to describe exhibits "B" and "C". She said "B" is an overview of CH and the event location and "C" is a close up view of the event layout, specifically showing where the alcohol service area and seating will be. There will be two fenced areas; one to encompass the entire event and the other, within the full event's fencing, to contain the alcohol service area which will be located in the northwest portion of CH's parking lot; alcohol may be consumed within the roped off area of the full event. City Attorney Shaver asked her if it is her signature on the last page of exhibit "A" and if it represented that all the information presented is true and correct. Ms. Martsolf said it is her signature and all the information is true and correct. Hearing Officer Starritt asked where and how many entrances/exits there will be. Ms. Martsolf said there will be two main entrances on the east and one each on the west and south. Hearing Officer Starritt asked if security will be posted at the entrances/exits and where the ID's will be checked. Ms. Martsolf said the security guards will move throughout the event and ID's will be checked and wristbands issued at the registration table. Hearing Officer Starritt asked if those checking ID's will be trained. Ms. Martsolf stated training will be provided.

No one was present that opposed the application.

Hearing Officer Starritt admitted Exhibits "A", "B", and "C" into the record (attached) and found that pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes 12-48-106, there are no grounds to deny the special events 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 a past special event to conduct the event in compliance with applicable law. The application for special events permits submitted by Community Hospital Foundation, Inc. – 2017 Tour of the Valley Bike Ride Event was found to be in order and approved.

## VII. OTHER BUSINESS

 Amend the application for a Special Events Permit for March of Dimes Foundation, 634 Main Street, #105, Grand Junction, CO 81501 – "2017 March of Dimes MUDD Volleyball", July 22, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. – 745 23 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505, from Fermented Malt Beverage (3.2% Beer) to Malt, Vinous, and Spirituous

Miranda Wertz, Development Specialist, was present to represent the applicant.

Hearing Officer Starritt asked Ms. Wertz what caused the error. Ms. Wertz said it was her error; it was her first time completing such application and she chose the wrong designation. Both Hearing Officer Starritt and City Attorney Shaver agreed that the posting was not misleading to the public and that this would not constitute a significant change in the type of application. Hearing Officer Starritt asked Ms. Wertz if all other information on the application was true and accurate. She said yes.

No one was present that opposed the change to the application.

Hearing Officer Starritt directed that a new permit be issued in the name of the applicant reflecting the malt, vinous, and spirituous product instead of the 3.2% Beer permit.

#### VIII. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

#### **NEXT REGULAR MEETING – August 2, 2017**



MEMO:	Local Licensing Authority
FROM:	Janet Harrell, Deputy City Clerk
DATE:	July 6, 2017
SUBJECT:	Application for a new Beer and Wine liquor license by Ginger Restaurant, Inc. dba Ginger Restaurant, 2381 Patterson Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505

Ginger Restaurant, Inc. filed an application with the Local Licensing Authority on May 24, 2017 for a new Beer and Wine liquor license permitting sales of malt and vinous liquors by the drink for consumption on the premises at 2381 Patterson Road under the trade name of Ginger Restaurant. The application and supplementary documents were reviewed, found to be in order and accepted. A copy was sent to the State Liquor Enforcement Division for a Concurrent Review. The hearing date has been set for July 19, 2017. The Notice of Hearing will be given by posting a sign on the property on or before noon on July 5, 2017 and by publishing a display ad in the Daily Sentinel on June 30, 2017.

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. The neighborhood was defined as the area bounded on the North by G Road, on the South by River Road, on the East by 25 Road, and on the West by 23 ½ Road and includes both sides of the streets as the outer boundaries. The results of that survey are as follows:

Check, the <u>YES</u> column if you <u>SUPPORT</u> this type of license being issued because the <u>existing outlets do not adequately serve</u> the reasonable requirements of the designated area or check the <u>NO</u> column if you <u>OPPOSE</u> this type of license being issued because the <u>existing outlets adequately serve</u> the reasonable requirements of the designated area.

Business Results:	FAVOR: OPPOSE:	64 1	
Residential Results:	FAVOR: OPPOSE:	25 0	

Fourteen responses were disqualified for the following: no address listed (5), incorrect address listed (2), signer did not specify residence or business (3), no signature (3), and signer did not mark support or oppose (1).

There were five "exhibits to survey petition" with 112 entries: 53 did not answer, 41 refused to sign or had no solicitation signs, and 18 did not have a manager/business

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owner available to sign. It was not noted if additional attempts were made for those that did not answer.

No letters of opposition or counterpetitions have been filed to date.

The Grand Junction Police Department will be investigating the owners for local criminal history and verifying that the Notice of Hearing was posted in a timely manner and that the diagram matches the establishment. The fingerprints were forwarded to CBI for further processing. Reports have been requested by the Grand Junction Fire Department, the Grand Junction Sales Tax Department, and Mesa County Health Department. A final Certificate of Occupancy will be needed before the liquor license will be issued.

The number of liquor licensed outlets in the survey area are:

Hotel and Restaurant = 13 (Citrola's Italian Grill and Bar, Boston's The Gourmet Pizza, Mí Mexico Family Mexican Restaurant, Noodles & Company, Genghis Grill, Tequila's Mexican Family Restaurant, Chili's Grill & Bar, Red Lobster #0685, Famous Dave's Bar B Que, Outback Steakhouse, Chuck E. Cheese, Olive Garden, and Buffalo Wild Wings)
Tavern = 1 (Bank 8 Billiards)
Beer and Wine = 1 (Bamboo City)
Retail Liquor Store = 1 (Fisher's Liquor Barn)
3.2% Beer (Off Premises) = 1 (City Market #51)

That concludes this report.

cc: Applicant Sam D. Starritt, Hearing Officer John Shaver, City Attorney Meghan Woodland, Grand Junction Police Department File

#### SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT QUESTIONNAIRE AND AFFIDAVIT

1. Name of Event: Community Hospital Foundation Tour of the Valley Bike Ride

2. How many attendees are expected at the event? 475

3. Has the event been held in the past? If so, how many years? yes - 28

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. Community Hospital - northwest parking lot

6. What type of and how many security will be provided at this event and how will they be identified? HHS - Community Hospital's paid in-house security firm; 1 staff and 20+ volunteers; 1 uniformed and all volunteers wearing staff t-shirts

7. What is the Control Plan for security at this event? (Use additional sheet if necessary) rope off event area with event tape and event fencing; security officer and 20+ volunteers will be observing crowd and all participants will be ID'd and be given a wrist band to indicate valid drinking age

8. How will security personnel be identified?

1 uniformed and all volunteers wearing staff t-shirts

9. If this event is being held outdoors, how will the exterior boundaries of the premises be marked (i.e., roped, fenced, etc.)?

rope off event area with event tape and event fencing

10. What method will be used in checking identification for proper age of attendees (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.)

IDs will be checked at point of service and a wristband will be given to those of valid drinking age

11. How will the conduct and level of intoxication of attendees be monitored and by whom? Monitored by event staff and hospital security team. The event closes at 4pm.

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

Volunteers will not be serving alcohol. We will rely on the vendors who are city trained and tips trained.

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

Wide variety of beverages - water, soda, orange juice, lemonade, tea, coffee, etc. Food is pulled pork, bean veggies, fruit, energy bars, and snacks such as pretzels, fruit snacks, etc.

14. Has a State and City Sales Tax Number been initiated by you or a member of your organization? If so, provide those numbers in the space provided. Certificate of exemption #98-01267-0000

I hereby certify, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided to the Grand Junction Liquor Licensing Authority contained in this affidavit is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature

STATE OF COLORADO ) COUNTY OF MESA ) SS. CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION ) Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_// that day of Cupril \_\_\_\_\_, 20 /7\_.

Witness my hand and official Seal.

My commission expires

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