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

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2012, 2:00 P.M.

HEARING OFFICER MICHAEL GRATTAN

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting convened at 2:00 p.m. Those present were Hearing Officer Mike Grattan and Deputy City Clerk Debbie Kemp. City Attorney John Shaver entered the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

II. APPLICATIONS TO RENEW LIQUOR AND BEER LICENSES

1. Allen Unique Autos, LLC dba Allen Unique Autos, 2285 River Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Tavern

Katherine Norton Breman, General Counsel and Business Manager for Allen Unique Autos, was present.

The application for renewal for Allen Unique Autos, LLC dba Allen Unique Autos was found to be in order and approved.

2. LOCO, Inc. dba LOCO Food Store No. 12, 107 Grand Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, 3.2% Beer Retail (Off Premises)

Tom Hoffman, Controller for LOCO, Inc., and the manager for LOCO Food Store No. 12, were present.

Ms. Kemp advised that the Police Department reported that a violation occurred on December 3, 2011 where an employee of LOCO Food Store No. 12 sold to an underage operative during a compliance check operation by the Grand Junction Police Department. The applicant had not disclosed the violation on the renewal application, however, when the applicant was contacted, they quickly provided a letter explaining the violation. Ms. Kemp read the letter into the record.

City Attorney Shaver asked if the violation was handled by the State. Ms. Kemp said that it was handled on the local level.

City Attorney Shaver asked if the Stipulation was signed in early 2012. Mr. Hoffman said he thinks that it was signed in January or February and they had elected to have no beer sales for two days in late February. City Attorney Shaver asked if there have been any violations since the one mentioned. Mr. Hoffman said there have not been any further violations.

Mr. Hoffman apologized for not disclosing the violation on the renewal application and advised that the employee who completed the application is new and was completely unaware that there was a violation.

Hearing Officer Grattan advised that he appreciated the letter of explanation for the violation as it was more extraordinary than what is usually presented.

The application for renewal for LOCO, Inc. dba LOCO Food Store No. 12 was found to be in order and approved.

3. Thunder Mountain Tavern, LLC dba Thunder Mountain Tavern, 2701 Hwy. 50, Grand Junction, CO 81503, Tavern

No one was present representing the applicant.

The application for renewal for Thunder Mountain Tavern, LLC dba Thunder Mountain Tavern was found to be in order and approved.

4. Azzamco, Inc. dba Freeway Bowl Fun Center, 1900 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Tavern

No one was present representing the applicant.

Ronnie Edwards, Grand Junction Fire Department Inspector, advised that upon her inspection on September 6th at Freeway Bowl Fun Center, there were several violations. Upon re-inspection last week, all were corrected except one, which is a very significant violation involving the fire sprinkler system. She advised the owner of the severity of the issue and reminded him that this issue will be brought up at the Liquor and Beer Meeting when the renewal of the liquor license is being considered. Mr. Azzam told Ms. Edwards that he is getting a quote from Curtis Engineering to address the issue which Ms. Edwards confirmed with Curtis Engineering. Ms. Edwards asked that the renewal either be approved conditionally or be continued to assure that the issue is resolved.

City Attorney Shaver recommended that the item be continued and that the applicant be advised that representation by the applicant is required at the next meeting.

The application for renewal for Azzamco, Inc. dba Freeway Bowl Fun Center was **not** found to be in order and was continued to the November 7, 2012 Liquor and Beer Meeting. Hearing Officer Grattan asked Ms. Kemp to send a letter to the applicant requesting their presence at that meeting.

5. Inafuku, Inc. dba Suehiro Japanese Restaurant, 541 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel and Restaurant

No one was present representing the applicant.

The application for renewal for Inafuku, Inc. dba Suehiro Japanese Restaurant was found to be in order and approved.

6. 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, LLC dba Conchita's Mexican Restaurant was found to be in order and approved.

7. Zen Garden, Inc. dba Zen Garden, 2886 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel and Restaurant

No one was present representing the applicant.

City Attorney Shaver stated that he remembered this establishment had a violation and asked if it was disclosed on the renewal application. Ms. Kemp stated that the violation occurred before the renewal last year and was disclosed on last year's renewal application.

The application for renewal for Zen Garden, Inc. dba Zen Garden was found to be in order and approved.

8. Las Marias, Inc. dba Las Marias, 2692 Hwy. 50 Spaces E & G, Grand Junction, CO 81503, Hotel and Restaurant

No one was present representing the applicant.

The application for renewal for Las Marias, Inc. dba Las Marias was found to be in order and approved.

9. Bold Petroleum, Inc. dba Acorn Travel Plaza, 2222 Hwy. 6 & 50, Grand Junction, CO 81505, 3.2% Beer Retail (Off Premises)

No one was present representing the applicant.

The application for renewal for Bold Petroleum, Inc. dba Acorn Travel Plaza was found to be in order and approved.

10. Thrifty Payless, Inc. dba Rite Aid #6178, 1834 N. 12th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, 3.2% Beer Retail (Off Premises)

No one was present representing the applicant.

The application for renewal for Thrifty Payless, Inc. dba Rite Aid #6178 was found to be in order and approved.

III. APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN CORPORATE STRUCTURE

1. Orchard Mesa Dragon Treasure, Inc. dba Dragon Treasure II, 2740 Hwy. 50, Suite 101, 102, & 103, Grand Junction, CO 81503, Beer and Wine

Vice President: Junshe Li, 523 Sandstone Street, Fruita, CO 81521, New Position

No one was present representing the application.

Ms. Kemp advised that a report from CBI/FBI is still pending on Mr. Li.

The application for change in corporate structure for Orchard Mesa Dragon Treasure, Inc. dba Dragon Treasure II was found to be in order and approved conditioned on a clean report from CBI/FBI.

IV. APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN TRADE NAME

1. Blazin Wings, Inc. dba Buffalo Wild Wings Grill & Bar, 2412 Highway 6 & 50, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel and Restaurant

Change Trade Name from Buffalo Wild Wings Grill & Bar to Buffalo Wild Wings

No one was present representing the applicant.

City Attorney Shaver asked if the change is for the entire chain of establishments. Ms. Kemp said she was not sure; the paperwork did not reference other locations.

The application for change in trade name was found to be in order and approved.

V. <u>OTHER BUSINESS</u>

City Attorney Shaver asked Ms. Kemp if a trade name affidavit is filed when requesting a change in trade name. Ms. Kemp confirmed that to be correct.

VI. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 2:21 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – November 7, 2012