# 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 15, 2020, 2:00 P.M.

#### **HEARING OFFICER SAM D. STARRITT**

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

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

- 1. Albertsons, Inc. dba Safeway Store #897, 2512 Broadway, Grand Junction, CO 81503, Fermented Malt Beverage Off Premises
- 2. Safeway Stores 46, Inc. dba Safeway Store #2625, 681 Horizon Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Fermented Malt Beverage Off Premises
- 3. Main Street Management, LLC dba Spring Hill Suites, 236 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Tavern and Outdoor Dining Lease
- 4. JJ's Cruisers, LLC dba Cruisers, 715 Horizon Drive, Suite 100, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Tavern
- 5. Rockslide Brew Pub, Inc. dba Rockslide Brew Pub, 401 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Brew Pub and Outdoor Dining Lease
- 6. Vin Hospitality, LLC dba 626 on Rood Modern American Cuisine & Wine Bar, 626 Rood Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel & Restaurant
- 7. CST Metro, LLC dba Circle K #2744116, 1015 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Fermented Malt Beverage Off Premises
- 8. Junction Liquors, LLC dba Fun Junction Liquors, 510 28 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Road, Units 202-205, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Liquor Store and Tasting Permit

Hearing Officer Starritt read renewals #1 - #8 into the record and verified with Ms. Sandoval the applications were in order. He asked if anyone wished to speak against any of the renewal applications. There was no one. The renewal applications were approved.

#### III. APPLICATIONS TO RENEW LIQUOR AND BEER LICENSES WITH LATE FILING

1. J & K Enterprises, Inc. dba Citrolas, 759 Horizon Drive, Units M, N, and O, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Hotel & Restaurant – *16 Days Late* 

General Manager Kristen Citrola was present to answer questions regarding the late filing. Ms. Citrola explained that their establishment was closed due to COVID-19 and mail was not being forwarded or picked up during that time. Hearing Officer Starritt found good cause for the late filing and approved the renewal after verifying with Ms. Sandoval that the application was in order.

 Tepanyaki Japanese Steak House and Sushi Bar, LLC dba Tepanyaki Japanese Steak House and Sushi Bar, 752 ½ Horizon Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Hotel & Restaurant – 27 Days Late

There were no representatives present from Tepanyaki; Hearing Officer Starritt asked this item be continued to the August 5, 2020 Liquor and Beer Meeting.

# IV. <u>APPLICATIONS TO RENEW LIQUOR LICENSE WITH CHANGE IN CORPORATE</u> STRUCTURE

1. Fisher's Liquor Barn Inc. dba Fisher's Liquor Barn, 2438 Patterson Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Liquor Store and Tasting Permit

President Brandi J. Pollock, 1041 24 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505 Replaces Wayne Fisher

Vice President James Pollock, IV, 1041 24 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505 Replaces Brandi J. Pollock

Chief Operating Officer Josh Matteson, 2215 I Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505 Added

Treasurer Chris Cunningham, 735 Corral Court, Grand Junction, CO 81505 Replaces Brandi J. Pollock

Secretary Darren Clements, 250 Westwater Circle, Fruita, CO 81521 Replaces Jamie G. Fisher

President Brandi J. Pollock was present to answer questions regarding the change in corporate structure. Hearing Officer Starritt verified with Ms. Sandoval the applications were in order. He asked if anyone wished to speak against the applications. There was no one. The renewal application and change in corporate structure were approved.

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

Chief Financial Officer, Alexander K. Wall, 427 Ninth Avenue, Unit 705, San Diego, CA 92101 Added

Hearing Officer Starritt verified with Ms. Sandoval the applications were in order. He asked if anyone wished to speak against the applications. There was no one. The renewal application and change in corporate structure were approved.

### V. APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP

 Old Chicago Taproom II, LLC dba Old Chicago #27, 120 North Ave, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel & Restaurant

Mgr/President: Morgan McClure, 2860 Castlewood Dr. NW, Atlanta, GA 30327 VP/Treasurer: Jonathan Childs, 202 Stone Hill Rd., Pound Ridge, NY 10576 Secretary: Courtney Mowry, 8084 Moor St., Arvada, CO 80005 Registered Manager: Tyler London, 2938 Sylvia Lane, Grand Junction, CO 81504

Brian C. Proffitt, Esq. of Runco & Proffitt, P.C. and Registered Manager Tyler London were present to answer questions regarding the transfer of ownership. Hearing Officer Starritt verified with Ms. Sandoval the applications were in order. Ms. Sandoval stated she has been working with Mr. Proffitt to get the wholesaler affidavits and background checks for the officers of Old Chicago Taproom II. He asked if anyone wished to speak against the applications. There was no one. The transfer of ownership application was approved conditionally upon receiving the wholesaler affidavits and clear background checks for the officers. If these conditions are not met by October 7, 2020, this agenda item is to be continued to that date's Liquor and Beer Meeting.

# VI. <u>APPLICATION FOR NEW LIQUOR LICENSE – RESOLUTION, FINDINGS AND DECISION</u>

Scotland Yard Cigar & Spirits, LLC dba Scotland Yard Cigar & Spirits, 2454
 Highway 6 & 50 Unit 112, Grand Junction, CO 81504, Tavern

Managing Member: Travis D. Wardle, 433 29 ½ Road, Grand Junction, CO 81504

Managing Member Travis Wardle was present to answer questions. Hearing Officer Starritt asked Mr. Wardle about his business plan. Ms. Sandoval outlined the process used to conduct the mailer survey through the City Clerk's Office due to the COVID-19 pandemic and read the survey results into the record. Hearing Officer Starritt found that the needs and desires of the neighborhood are not being met and approved the license.

### VII. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING – August 5, 2020** 



MEMO: Local Licensing Authority

FROM: Selestina Sandoval, Deputy City Clerk

DATE: July 2, 2020

SUBJECT: Scotland Yard Cigar & Spirits, LLC dba Scotland Yard Cigar & Spirits – 2454 Highway 6 &

50, Unit 112, Grand Junction, CO 81505 - Tavern

A liquor license application permitting sales of malt, vinous, and spirituous beverages for consumption at place where sold, was filed with the Local Licensing Authority on June 2, 2020 and on July 1, 2020 a legal notice was published in the Daily Sentinel and a "Notice of Hearing" was posted on the property.

A survey was conducted to address the reasonable requirements of the neighborhood via mailers to 120 properties in the defined neighborhood by the City Clerk's Office due to COVID-19 restrictions. The neighborhood was defined by those addresses within half a mile radius from the applicant's location. The recipients of the mailers could take an online survey stating whether they supported or opposed the application. The results are as follows:

Business Results: Residential Results:

FAVOR: 1 FAVOR: 1 OPPOSE: 0

To date, no letters of opposition or counter petitions have been filed.

The Grand Junction Police Department will investigate the individuals for local criminal history. Reports have also been requested from the City of Grand Junction Sales Tax Department, the Fire Department, and Mesa County Health Department.

The number of similar City licenses within in the survey area are as follows:

**Hotel and Restaurant – 8** (Olive Garden, Chuck E Cheese's, Outback Steakhouse, Famous Dave's, Red Lobster, Chili's Grill & Bar, Tequila's Mexican Family Restaurant, and Genghis Grill)

**Lodging & Entertainment – 1** (X-Golf)

Beer & Wine – 4 (Bamboo City, Pho 88, Bananas Fun Park and Smokin' Oak Wood-Fired Pizza)

FMB Off Premises – 3 (Target, Stinker #321 and Natural Grocers)

**Tavern – 1** (Bank 8 Billiards)

cc: Travis Wardle, Applicant Sam D. Starritt, Hearing Officer

John Shaver, City Attorney

Meghan Woodland, Grand Junction Police Department

File

## **Scotland Yard Cigar & Spirits Neighborhood Area**

