

MINUTES LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY Monday April 21st, 2025 – 9:00 A.M. City Council Chambers – 500 E. Third Street Loveland. Colorado

IN ATTENDANCE:

Jennifer Edgley, Local Licensing Authority
Vincent Junglas, City Attorney
Emilie DeLima, Alcohol, Tobacco and Marijuana Compliance Officer
Adriana Mazur, Local Licensing Authority Secretary
Sterling Wilson, Assistant City Clerk

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes:

A. Minutes from LLA Meeting on March 20th, 2025. Approved in their current form.

2. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Show Cause Matter – Yooniecorn Inc., dba 1st Street Liquors

A motion has been filed, pursuant to the provisions of §44-3-901(6)(b)(I), C.R.S. as amended, to the Local Licensing Authority of the City of Loveland to consider suspension or revocation of the Retail Liquor Store Liquor License issued to Yooniecorn Inc., d/b/a 1st Street Liquor, located at 1104 E. 1st Street in Loveland. Findings and allegations concerning 44-3-901(1)(a), C.R.S., serving alcohol to a visibly intoxicated person, are to be considered. This matter was continued from the February 20, 2025, meeting.

In Attendance: Sang Yoon, Owner/Manager

The Licensee requested an interpreter and a Language Line Korean interpreter was provided to the applicant. Translated documents were provided prior to the meeting.

Findings and Action Taken:

A stipulation and admission of violation was reached and signed prior to the meeting. The licensee agrees to serve 7 days' suspension of his liquor license. 3 Days will be determined by the Authority to be served immediately, with 4 days of the suspension held in abeyance for 6 months, on the condition that there are no other violations of applicable Colorado Liquor Code or the Colorado Liquor Rules during this timeframe. The City did not have a recommendation for when the active 3 days of suspension should begin.

Mr. Yoon was asked to provide a recommendation regarding the dates of suspension. He proposed May 4th, 5th, and 6th, of 2025. There were no objections to this

recommendation. The Authority approved the stipulation as presented and signed by applicable parties.

A suspension of the liquor license issued to Yooniecorn Inc. will be served from May 4, 2025, through May 6, 2025.

B. Show Cause Matter - Office Lounge Inc., dba Office Lounge Bar & Grill

A motion has been filed, pursuant to the provisions of §44-3-701, C.R.S. as amended, to the Local Licensing Authority of the City of Loveland to consider suspension or revocation of the Tavern License issued to Office Lounge Inc., d/b/a Office Lounge Bar & Grill, located at 1710 W. Eisenhower Blvd., in Loveland. Findings and allegations concerning §44-3-701, C.R.S., failing to provide records of business transactions without unreasonable delay, and Colorado Liquor Regulation 47-700 (B), Inspection of the Licensed Premises, are to be considered.

In Attendance: Brandon Sandberg, Attorney Registration #42507, Dill, Dill, Carr, Stonbraker, & Hutchings, Caroline Gill, Owner

The City Attorney's Office has reached a disposition with the owner of the Office Lounge Bar & Grill, whereby the City will withdraw the motion for suspension. There are concerns surrounding the licensee's operations and record keeping, but there has been considerable effort on the part of the licensee to amend recordkeeping practices and update the establishment's policy, and therefore the City has moved to withdraw the motion to show cause.

Officer DeLima provided a statement: the Colorado Liquor Code requires that licensees provide records without unreasonable delay upon the request of a law enforcement officer. She expressed that when licensees fail to provide records in a timely manner, it creates considerable difficulty/delay for the Police Dept., however, Caroline Gill's response and efforts to provide records and revise her practices were determined to be adequate.

Mr. Sandberg responded with a description of the measures taken by the licensee to amend business practices and provide records in a timely manner when asked in the future. He further offered the licensee's records binder to Officer DeLima for inspection.

Findings and Action Taken:

The Authority approves the City's withdrawal of the motion to show cause as negotiated by the licensee and City Attorney's Office. The motion was denied by the Authority.

C. Renewal Application - Cactus Cantina Inc., dba Wicked Tequila Room

An application for the renewal of the Tavern License issued to Cactus Cantina Inc., dba Wicked Tequila Room was filed on January 06, 2025, two days after its file-by deadline. The licensee has been asked to appear regarding a pending district court matter that has yet to be resolved.

In Attendance: Troy Krenning, Attorney, Christen French, President of the Incorporation

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Findings and Action Taken:

The City is still awaiting a decision by the Larimer County District Court regarding the appeal that was imitated on March 30, 2024. All parties are currently awaiting a decision from the District Court. The pending appeal and decision by the District Court have no bearing on the renewal of the liquor license, and the City will not object to the renewal of this license.

The City recommended granting this renewal. A decision from the District Court will affect the imposition of the penalties established during the last show cause matter.

The applicant passed a standard Police Compliance Inspection and Officer DeLima had no issues with the license being granted. The Authority granted the renewal. Counsel for Cactus Cantina Inc., dba Wicked Tequila Room indicated an intention to negotiate with the City Attorney's Office to resolve the issue currently under appeal and the authority encouraged the parties to do so.

D. Renewal Application - The 120 Bar and Grill Inc., dba The 120 Bar and Grill

An application for the renewal of the Hotel and Restaurant License issued to The 120 Bar and Grill Inc., dba The 120 Bar and Grill was filed on February 18, 2025, two days after its expiration date. The licensee has been asked to appear regarding the late filing of this application.

In Attendance: Virginia Moyer, Owner

Findings and Action Taken:

The City finds the violation in this case, a late renewal, is a diminutive violation. The City considered that the licensee had no significant challenges over its history, and there were no objections from the City or the Police Dept. in granting the renewal of this liquor license. The Authority established the filing deadlines associated with liquor license renewal and reminded Ms. Moyer of these timelines.

The Authority granted this renewal.

E. Permanent Modification - Bar Lyssa Inc., dba Bar Lyssa

An application for the Permanent Modification of the Entertainment Facility Liquor License issued to Bar Lyssa Inc., dba Bar Lyssa, located at 120 E 4th St. in Loveland, was filed on February 10, 2025. The modification will consist of the expansion of the liquor licensed premise in the basement to include both the rage paint room and rage ruin room, while these rooms are not being used for rage activities. The proposed

change would allow sitting areas and dancing areas to allow patrons with alcohol to enter those rooms. Furthermore, the applicant would like to use those rooms to store excess liquor from time to time as they are both equipped with doors that lock. A notice of public hearing was posted in the Reporter Herald as the law requires.

In Attendance: Howard Perko, Co-Owner

Mr. Perko declined to provide opening comments or statements. The City Attorney's Office asked Mr. Perko questions regarding the need for the modification and what it entailed. Mr. Perko provided an explanation for the modification: the business would like to eliminate the possibility of a violation should a patron enter rooms within the building that are not part of the red-lined premises. This was in response to recommendations made by law enforcement during inspection of the premises. This constitutes no material change to the building, nor will it change the means of egress or ingress.

The applicant described the activities and protocols for both the "Rage Paint Room" and the "Rage Ruin Room." No alcohol is allowed in either room when these "rage" activities are going on and the business strictly enforces this policy. All "rage" items are locked away after the activities are over, and the rooms are cleaned.

The applicant submitted a use-policy detailing how these activities are operated and how alcohol sales/dispensation is controlled during business operation. The City had no further questions or concerns and recommended approval of this modification.

Findings and Action Taken:

The Authority will grant this application for a modification of premises and adopt the preliminary findings that were issued by the Clerk's Office. The Authority reviewed the control plan and found it to be thorough and adequate in describing how "rage" activities will not mix with alcohol consumption. Furthermore, the Authority found that the storing of "rage" items and clean-up after "rage" activities were satisfactory. The advanced notice required for reserving rage-rooms gives staff adequate time to prepare before and after these rooms are used for "rage" activities. Patrons are strictly required to be sober and not under the influence of drugs or alcohol when participating in "rage" activities, thereby promoting safety. The City had no further findings to add and the applicant was encouraged to keep working with the City Clerk's office for next steps.

3. STAFF REPORT

- A. City Clerk's Office Licensee Submittal Checklist Project updates were provided.
- B. City Attorney's Office Recent proposed liquor and tobacco code amendments were recently taken to council for consideration. These were not adopted by City Council, instead a recommendation for increased community feedback was asked by City Council. The amendments to the code are expected to be taken to City Council in mid-to-late summer.
- C. PD/Compliance Officer PD had no updates.

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ADJOURN

The next regularly scheduled Local Licensing Authority Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 15th, 2025, at 9:00 AM, in the City Council Chambers. There will be an additional meeting of the Local Licensing Authority on May 8, 2025, at 1:00 PM in City Council Chambers.

Respectfully submitted,

Adriana Mazur, Assistant City Clerk

Liquor Licensing Secretary

Approved:

Jennifer Edgley, Jud

Liquor Licensing Authority