

LIQUOR LICENSE DISAPPROVAL FORM

Police Department Liquor License Disapproval Recommendation

Application Information

Business Name	SPEEDO BUSINESS	District	5
Business Location	4150 North 35th Avenue		
Applicant Names	Odette and Imad Odeh	Series Type	10

The Police Department recommends disapproval of this liquor license application for the following reasons:

The applicants are not reliable, capable or qualified to obtain a liquor license due to numerous violations at their Gas and Food Mart business at 1902 West Cactus Road. There are also current liquor violations, blight violations, and civil judgements at Speedo Business and inaccurate information on their State Liquor application.

During a review of Mr. and Mrs. Odeh's state liquor application it indicated that they owned the Gas and Food Mart store since February of 2007. Maricopa County records show that on May 30, 2007 Mrs. Odeh was cited for Furnishing Tobacco to a Minor. In addition to the tobacco violation the Arizona State Liquor records indicate that they were cited for the following infractions:

January 24, 2014 ARS 4-210.A.5 Delinquent taxes

March 23, 2017 ARS 4-244.9 Sell, give, furnish underage person with alcohol

March 23, 2017 ARS 4-241.A Failure to request ID from underage buyer

June 7, 2018 R19-1-304 Storing Liquor on Unlicensed Premise

The background review of Mr. and Mrs. Odeh also revealed numerous blight violations associated with the Speedo Business. According to the Neighborhood Services Division the applicants were issued a notice of violation due to noncompliance with overgrown vegetation, trash and outside storage requirements. The advertisements obscure employee and customer vision all windows and doors. Neighborhood Services Inspectors contacted Mrs. Odeh several times within the past year reference the aforementioned violations and still the business remained noncompliant. Poor management of this property encourages a large number of the area's drug addicts and other homeless to congregate, loiter and live on the property.

In addition to the blight violations a review of Mr. and Mrs. Odeh civil courts records indicated that Mr. Odeh has the following listed civil judgements levied against him due to non-return of rental property and non-payment of insurance fees, totaling \$61,355.26 in outstanding civil judgements:

February 21, 2014 CV 2014-092657 Plaintiff Sunstate Equipment Company LLC in the amount of \$2800.00 and \$13,073.20

August 14, 2014 CV 2014-054695 Plaintiff United Rentals LLC in the amount of \$439.00, \$750.00, \$7486.75 and \$22,369.54

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October 6, 2014 CV 2014-055446 Plaintiff Auto Insurance Company in the amount of \$458.00, \$1706.45 and \$12,711.29


The application review also indicated that there were inaccuracies in Mr. Odeh's State Liquor application. According to state liquor application question 15. *Are there ANY administrative law citations, compliance actions or consents, criminal arrests, indictments or summonses pending against you?* Mr. Odeh marked "No", but as previously documented there has been several recent liquor and blight violations at the Speedo Business.

On September 11, 2018 at 10:00 am Det. Gokool observed 2 inebriated transients holding cans of Steel Reserve beer that were cold and had a residual amount of beer at the gas pumps. When asked where they bought the beer they indicated at the Mojo mart and pointed to the door of Speedo Business. Mojo Mart was the former business name.

On September 12, 2018 Det. Gokool asked Mrs. Odeh why she allowed patrons to drink on her premises in front of her business. She replied that she is the only one working and is unable to go outside. When asked why she didn't hire a second employee she replied that she couldn't afford it at this time. She said she doesn't want to go outside by herself at night because it is scary. Det. Gokool said that makes her incapable of controlling her business.

Due to Mr. and Mrs. Odeh inaccurate application, repeated and continuing noncompliance with liquor and blight laws, and \$61,355.26 in civil judgements they are not reliable, capable or qualified to hold a liquor license.

This recommendation for disapproval is submitted by: Det. R. Gokool 7605

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