



## **Liquor License - AJ's Fine Foods #64**

Request for a liquor license. Arizona State License Application 07070287.

### **Summary**

#### Applicant

Michael Basha, Agent

#### License Type

Series 7 - Beer and Wine Bar

#### Location

5017 N. Central Ave.

Zoning Classification: C-2 TOD-1 WSN SPD

Council District: 4

This request is for a location transfer of a liquor license for a bar. This location is currently licensed for liquor sales with a Series 9 - Liquor Store, liquor license.

The 60-day limit for processing this application is June 15, 2018.

Pursuant to A.R.S. 4-203, a spirituous liquor license shall be issued only after satisfactory showing of the capability, qualifications and reliability of the applicant and that the public convenience and the best interest of the community will be substantially served by the issuance. If an application is filed for the issuance of a license for a location, that on the date the application is filed has a valid license of the same series issued at that location, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that the public convenience and best interest of the community at that location was established at the time the location was previously licensed. The presumption shall not apply once the licensed location has not been in use for more than 180 days.

#### Other Active Liquor License Interest in Arizona

This information is not provided due to the multiple ownership interests held by the applicant in the State of Arizona.

Public Opinion

No protest or support letters were received within the 20-day public comment period.

Applicant's Statement

The applicant submitted the following statement in support of this application. Spelling, grammar and punctuation in the statement are shown exactly as written by the applicant on the City Questionnaire.

I have the capability, reliability and qualifications to hold a liquor license because: "Bashas' Inc has over 100 liquor licenses at our stores throughout Arizona and we have received very few citations. We are constantly training and retraining our store personnel and keeping everyone informed of any new laws and changes."

The public convenience requires and the best interest of the community will be substantially served by the issuance of the liquor license because:

"Aj's #64 located at 10 E. Camelback Rd. Phoenix is in the process of transferring a Series 7 liquor license to accomodate the needs of the store. The series 7 will be a great convenience for customers living in the area that would like to stop in and enjoy a glass of wine."

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of this application noting the applicant must resolve any pending City of Phoenix building and zoning requirements, and be in compliance with the City of Phoenix Code and Ordinances.

Attachments

Liquor License Data - AJ's Fine Foods #64

Liquor License Map - AJ's Fine Foods #64

**Responsible Department**

This item is submitted by Acting Deputy City Manager Toni Maccarone and the City Clerk Department.