City Council Formal Meeting



Report

Agenda Date: 6/6/2018, Item No. 4

Liquor License - Safeway #4

Request for a liquor license. Arizona State License Application 09070068 & 09070068S.

Summary

<u>Applicant</u>

Nicholas Guttilla, Agent

License Type

Series 9 & 9S - Liquor Store with Sampling Privileges

Location

3130 W. Carefree Hwy.

Zoning Classification: C-2 PCD

Council District: 2

This request is for an ownership transfer of a liquor license for a grocery store. This location was previously licensed for liquor sales and may currently operate with an interim permit.

The 60-day limit for processing this application was June 1, 2018. However, the applicant submitted a written request for more time.

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.

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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: "The Safeway, Inc. liquor license for this grocery store will be managed by Albertson's for use in the existing Albertson's grocery store, The same successful operation and the same high standards will continued to be followed in this store. It will remain an Albertson's grocery store, and the liquor department will be managed by Albertson's."

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

"This grocery store has been operating at this location for many years. The community has been accustomed to a complete shopping experience at this store, which includes alcohol, groceries and sundries. The successful operation of this store will not change, and it will continue to be a good neighbor and a vital part of its immediate community."

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of this application.

Attachments

Liquor License Data - Safeway #4 Liquor License Map - Safeway #4

Responsible Department

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