

# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, May 10, 2016 Council Session

### Item G-2

Approving Liquor Manager Designation for Besim Shala, 1203 Stoneywood Avenue for Napoli's Italian, 3421 Conestoga Drive

**Staff Contact: RaNae Edwards** 

## Council Agenda Memo

From: RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

**Meeting:** May 10, 2016

**Subject:** Request from Besim Shala, 1203 Stoneywood Avenue

for Liquor Manager Designation with Napoli's Italian,

3421 Conestoga Drive

**Presenter(s):** RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

#### **Background**

Besim Shala, 1203 Stoneywood Avenue has submitted an application with the City Clerk's Office for a Liquor Manager Designation in conjunction with Napoli's Italian, 3421 Conestoga Drive.

This application has been reviewed by the Police Department and City Clerk's Office.

#### **Discussion**

City Council action is required and forwarded to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission for issuance of all liquor manager designations. All departmental reports have been received. See attached Police Department report.

#### **Alternatives**

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

- 1. Approve the requests.
- 2. Forward the requests with no recommendation.
- 3. Take no action on the requests.

#### Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the request for Liquor Manager Designation.

### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the request from Besim Shala, 1203 Stoneywood Avenue for Liquor Manager Designation in conjunction with the Class "I-102784" Liquor License for Napoli's Italian, 3421 Conestoga Drive with the stipulation that Mr. Shala complete a state approved alcohol server/seller training program.

05/05/16 Grand Island Police Department 450 Page: LAW INCIDENT TABLE 15:26 City : Grand Island : 16:00:00 04/22/2016 Occurred after . 10:00:00 04/22/2016

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Date disposition declared : 04/25/2016

Incident number

Primary incident Date disposition declared
Incident number
Primary incident number
Incident nature
Incident address
State abbreviation

: L16042100
: Liquor Lic Inv Liquor Lic Inv
: 3421 Conestoga Dr
: NE
: 68803 Complainant name number
Area location code : PCID Police - CID Received by : Vitera D How received Agency code : GIPD GIPD Grand Island Police Dept Responsible officer : Vitera D Offense as Taken Offense as Observed Disposition Misc. number : ACT Active : RaNae : 18361 Geobase address ID Long-term call ID : CL CL Case Closed Clearance Code Judicial Status \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ INVOLVEMENTS: Px Record # Date Description Relationship Business Involved NM 167890 04/22/16 Napoli's, NM 184526 04/22/16 Shala, Besim Manager 184540 04/22/16 Shala, Zejnepe Spouse NM LAW INCIDENT CIRCUMSTANCES: Se Circu Circumstance code Miscellaneous 1 LT21 LT21 Restaurant TMAGE CODES FOR INCIDENT:

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Liquor License Investigation Grand Island Police Department

Besim Shala is applying to be the liquor manager at Napoli's Italian.

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Grand Island Police Department Supplemental Report

Date, Time: Thu May 05 13:20:20 CDT 2016

Reporting Officer: Vitera

Unit- CID

I received a copy of a liquor manager application from Besim Shala for Napoli's Italian restaurant. According to the application, Besim is married to Zejnepe Zakuti Shala. Besim and Zejnepe have lived in Grand Island since 2013. Before that, they lived in Kansas and Oklahoma. According to the NLCC's web site, Besim is the president and sole owner of the company. NLCC records go back three years and don't show any liquor violations at Napoli's during that timeframe. Besim disclosed a speeding conviction from Oklahoma. Zejnepe didn't disclose any convictions, and she filled out a Spousal Affidavit of Non-Participation form.

I checked Besim and Zejnepe through Spillman and NCJIS. Each one of them has an entry in Spillman for the liquor license investigation at Napoli's in 2013. Neither applicant has any convictions listed in NCJIS. I searched a paid law enforcement-only database which mostly provides personal identifying information and information about civil issues. I didn't find anything out of the ordinary on Besim or Zejnepe. In addition, neither one has any outstanding arrest warrants, and they each have a valid Nebraska driver's license.

When I looked up Zejnepe's driver's license information, I recognized her as an employee of Napoli's. Knowing that she signed a Spousal Affidavit of Non-Participation form, I called the restaurant and asked to speak with Besim. He was not there, but I spoke with another employee who is familiar with the situation and said that Zejnepe still works at the restaurant. I was told that Zejnepe may work at Napoli's pizza in the Conestoga Mall in the near future, but she will most likely still work at the restaurant too.

I then called the attorney who helped Besim with the application. It was his understanding that Zejnepe doesn't work at the restaurant. He said he will make sure it's straightened out and have Zejnepe fingerprinted and retract the non-participation form if Zejnepe will be working in the restaurant.

As long as the paperwork on file with the NLCC concerning Zejnepe is accurate, the Grand Island Police Department has no objection to Besim becoming the liquor manager at Napoli's.