

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, April 11, 2017 Council Session

Item E-1

Public Hearing on Request from Prairie Pride Brewing Company, LLC dba Prairie Pride Brewing Company, 115 E. South Front Street for a Class "C" Liquor License

Council action will take place under Consent Agenda item G-5.

Staff Contact: RaNae Edwards

Council Agenda Memo

From: RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Meeting: April 11, 2017

Subject: Public Hearing on Request from Prairie Pride Brewing

Company, LLC dba Prairie Pride Brewing Co., 115 E. South Front Street for a Class "C" Liquor License

Presenter(s): RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Background

Section 4-2 of the Grand Island City Code declares the intent of the City Council regarding liquor licenses and the sale of alcohol.

Declared Legislative Intent

It is hereby declared to be the intent and purpose of the city council in adopting and administering the provisions of this chapter:

- (A) To express the community sentiment that the control of availability of alcoholic liquor to the public in general and to minors in particular promotes the public health, safety, and welfare;
- (B) To encourage temperance in the consumption of alcoholic liquor by sound and careful control and regulation of the sale and distribution thereof; and
- (C) To ensure that the number of retail outlets and the manner in which they are operated is such that they can be adequately policed by local law enforcement agencies so that the abuse of alcohol and the occurrence of alcohol-related crimes and offenses is kept to a minimum.

Discussion

Prairie Pride Brewing Company, LLC dba Prairie Pride Brewing Company, 115 E. South Front Street has submitted an application for a Class "C" Liquor License. A Class "C" Liquor License allows for the sale of alcohol on and off sale inside the corporate limits of the city.

Prairie Pride Brewing Company currently holds a Class "LK" Liquor License at this location which allows for the brewing of beer along with a catering designation. The Class "C" liquor license will enable them to sell other types of beer, wine, and distilled

spirits at this location. This business will then have both the Class "LK" and "C" liquor licenses if approved which is allowed by the Liquor Control Commission.

City Council action is required and forwarded to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission for issuance of all licenses. This application has been reviewed by the Clerk, Building, Fire, Health, and Police Departments. See attached Police Department report.

Also submitted was a request for Liquor Manager Designation for Alexander Briner, 1314 14th Street, Aurora, Nebraska. Mr. Briner has completed a state approved alcohol server/seller training program. Staff recommends approval contingent upon final inspections.

Alternatives

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

- 1. Approve the application.
- 2. Forward to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission with no recommendation.
- 3. Forward to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission with recommendations.
- 4. Deny the application.

Recommendation

Based on the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission's criteria for the approval of Liquor Licenses, City Administration recommends that the Council approve this application.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the application for Prairie Pride Brewing Company, LLC dba Prairie Pride Brewing Company, 115 E. South Front Street for a Class "C" Liquor License contingent upon final inspections and Liquor Manager Designation for Alexander Briner, 1314 14th Street, Aurora, Nebraska.

Grand Island Police Department Supplemental Report

Date, Time: Tue Mar 28 14:41:24 CDT 2017

Reporting Officer: Vitera

Unit- CID

I originally received a liquor license application from Prairie Pride Brewing Company in April of 2016. The Grand Island Police Department recommended that the council give local approval for the license. Prairie Pride received their license in September of 2016. A few days ago, Alexander Briner applied to be the liquor manager at Prairie Pride. Since he is also an owner of the company, and the company just recently received their license; I just did a couple of quick rechecks on Alexander. The Grand Island Police Department recommended that the council approve Alexander as Prairie Pride's liquor manager. Because of the recently completed investigation into Prairie Pride's original Class LK license, and the ownership being the same; I will just do a quick recheck on the rest of the applicants through NCJIS.

I checked all of the applicants to see if any of them had any new convictions. The only person who has a new conviction since the last investigation is Philip Cahoy who has a "disobey traffic device" conviction in August of 2016. The new conviction is an infraction and doesn't preclude them from receiving a new license.

The Grand Island Police Department has no objection to Prairie Pride Brewing Company receiving a Class C liquor license in addition to their Class LK license.

