



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, May 24, 2022

Council Session

Item G-2

**Approving Request from Tanner Morton, 1309 West 5th Street for
Liquor Manager Designation with Texas Roadhouse, 232 Wilmer
Avenue**

Staff Contact: RaNae Edwards

Council Agenda Memo

From: RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Meeting: May 24, 2022

Subject: Requests from Tanner Morton, 1309 West 5th Street for Liquor Manager Designation with Texas Roadhouse, 232 Wilmer Avenue

Presenter(s): RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Background

Tanner Morton, 1309 West 5th Street has submitted an application with the City Clerk's Office for Liquor Manager Designation in conjunction with the Class "IK-096736" Liquor License for Texas Roadhouse, 232 Wilmer Avenue.

The application has been reviewed by the Police Department and City Clerk's Office. See Police Department report attached.

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. Mr. Morton has completed a state approved alcohol server/seller training program. Staff recommends approval.

Alternatives

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

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

Recommendation

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

Sample Motion

Move to approve the request from Tanner Morton, 1309 West 5th Street for Liquor Manager Designation in conjunction with the Class "IK-096736" Liquor License for Texas Roadhouse, 232 Wilmer Avenue.



Grand Island Police Department

Officer Report for Incident L22050284

Nature: Liquor Lic Inv

Address: 232 WILMAR AVE; TEXAS

ROADHOUSE

Location: PCID

Grand Island NE 68803

Offense Codes:

Received By: Dvorak T	How Received: T	Agency: GIPD
Responding Officers: Dvorak T		
Responsible Officer: Dvorak T	Disposition: CLO 05/10/22	
When Reported: 12:48:38 05/04/22	Occurred Between: 12:48:38 05/04/22 and 12:48:38 05/04/22	

Assigned To:	Detail:	Date Assigned: **/**/**
Status:	Status Date: **/**/**	Due Date: **/**/**

Complainant:

Last:	First:	Mid:
DOB: **/**/**	Dr Lic:	Address:
Race:	Sex:	Phone:
		City: ,

Offense Codes

Reported:	Observed:
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Circumstances

LT21 LT21 Restaurant

Responding Officers:	Unit :
Dvorak T	309

Responsible Officer: Dvorak T	Agency: GIPD
Received By: Dvorak T	Last Radio Log: **:**:** **/**/**
How Received: T Telephone	Clearance: CL CL Case Closed
When Reported: 12:48:38 05/04/22	Disposition: CLO Date: 05/10/22
Judicial Status:	Occurred between: 12:48:38 05/04/22
Misc Entry:	and: 12:48:38 05/04/22

Modus Operandi:	Description :	Method :
Crime Class	Crime Class	Civil

Involvements

05/10/22

Date	Type	Description	
05/10/22	Name	Texas Roadhouse,	location
05/10/22	Name	Morton, Tanner V	Proposed manager
05/10/22	Name	Morton, Jamie B	spouse

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Narrative

City 5/10/22 Liquor Manager Texas Roadhouse

Tanner Morton applied to be the new liquor manager for the Texas Roadhouse restaurant in Grand Island.

Responsible LEO:

Approved by:

Date

05/10/22

Supplement

City 5/10/22 Texas Roadhouse Liquor Manager

Grand Island Police Department
Supplemental Report

Date, Time: 5-9-22

Reporting Officer: Sgt Dvorak #309

Unit #: CID

Tanner Morton has applied to become to the new Liquor Manager at the Texas Roadhouse restaurant in Grand Island. I received all the required application material. I noted that Tanner is married, to Jamie Morton. Jamie Morton signed the non-involvement form on the application.

I checked local Spillman database and found no entry for either one, which means that neither have been contacted by GIPD. I then checked NCJIS (State) files and found no active wants or warrants for either Morton. Jamie Morton has no convictions or law contacts listed.

Tanner Morton shows convictions for Driving During Suspension in 2016, and a DUI in 2014. I noted that Tanner did not list that he has any convictions on his application, and marked "no" when asked if he has EVER been convicted or plead guilty to any charge. Those two discrepancies were the only entries I located.

I also checked a paid, Law Enforcement Only site that lists mostly civil issues such as lawsuits and bankruptcies and personal/contact information. There were no entries of concern for Jamie or Tanner on that site.

On 5-10-22 I called Tanner, and spoke with him regarding his application. I asked Morton if he had been convicted of DDS and DUI or if I had somehow attributed the wrong driver's history to him. Tanner admitted that he was convicted of both of those offenses. I reminded Morton that he marked "no" on that relevant question on his application. Tanner said he "must have forgotten" about those incidents.

I told Morton that no one "forgets" that they were convicted of Driving Under the Influence, especially when he had an Interlock device on his vehicle for about five months. Tanner said he it was several years ago, and he didn't remember to add it on the form. I told Morton that I could reject his application since he forgot those convictions. Tanner said he understood, and apologized for his oversight. Morton was reminded that accuracy and truthfulness were imperative for this types of certifications.

We then discussed the responsibilities of being the liquor manager, proper ID of minors (carding) concerns, the proper procedure to use if disturbances occurred in his establishment, and the need to be cooperative with law enforcement. Morton indicated he was aware of all of those stipulations. I then reiterated that Morton remember how important it is that he be honest and truthful on any future applications.

Although Tanner Morton failed to disclose two convictions on his application, both were more than five years ago, and Morton said he must have forgotten about them, and indicated he did not try to intentionally falsify the document. I located no other items of concern in Tanner's background, or on the part of his wife Jamie. Morton has been with Texas Roadhouse for six years, and completed all required online training.

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Therefore, the Grand Island Police Department does not object to Tanner Morton being issued the Liquor Manager designation for Texas Roadhouse.

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