



City of Grand Island

Wednesday, November 12, 2014
Council Session

Item G-2

Approving Request for Liquor Manager Designation for Mitchelle Sheehan, 1510 N. Broadwell Avenue with Fiesta Latina/The Club, 2815 South Locust Street

Staff Contact: RaNae Edwards

Council Agenda Memo

From: RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Meeting: November 12, 2014

Subject: Request from Mitchell Sheehan, 1510 N. Broadwell Avenue for Liquor Manager Designation with Fiesta Latina/The Club, 2815 South Locust Street

Item #'s: G-2

Presenter(s): RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Background

Mitchell Sheehan, 1510 N. Broadwell Avenue has submitted an application with the City Clerk's Office for a Liquor Manager Designation in conjunction with Fiesta Latina/The Club, 2815 South Locust Street.

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. Mr. Sheehan has completed a state approved alcohol server/seller program.

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 Michelle Sheehan, 1510 N. Broadwell Avenue for Liquor Manager Designation in conjunction with the Class "C-34765" Liquor License for Fiesta Latina/The Club, 2815 South Locust Street.

10/29/14
15:13

Grand Island Police Department
LAW INCIDENT TABLE

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City : Grand Island
Occurred after : 14:00:00 10/21/2014
Occurred before : 14:00:00 10/21/2014
When reported : 14:00:00 10/21/2014
Date disposition declared : 10/22/2014
Incident number : L14102057
Primary incident number :
Incident nature : Liquor Lic Inv Liquor Lic Inv
Incident address : 2815 Locust St S
State abbreviation : NE
ZIP Code : 68801
Contact or caller :
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 : ACT Active
Misc. number : RaNae
Geobase address ID : 14150
Long-term call ID :
Clearance Code : CL CL Case Closed
Judicial Status : NCI Non-criminal Incident

INVOLVEMENTS:

Px	Record #	Date	Description	Relationship
NM	196100	10/22/14	Fiesta Latina/The Club,	Business
Involved				
NM	17866	10/21/14	Sheehan, Mitchelle M	Liquor Manager

LAW INCIDENT CIRCUMSTANCES:

Se	Circu	Circumstance code	Miscellaneous
1	LT03	LT03 Bar/Night Club	

IMAGE CODES FOR INCIDENT:

Seq	Imag	Image code for a users description field
1	DOC	DOCUMENT mobile report

LAW INCIDENT NARRATIVE:

I received a Copy of a Liquor Manager Application from Mitchelle Sheehan for The Club.

LAW INCIDENT RESPONDERS DETAIL:

Se Responding offi Unit n Unit number

1 Vitera D 318 Vitera D

LAW SUPPLEMENTAL NARRATIVE:

Seq	Name	Date
1	Vitera D	10:42:24 10/22/2014

Grand Island Police Department
Supplemental Report

Date, Time: Wed Oct 22 10:42:37 CDT 2014
Reporting Officer: Vitera
Unit- CID

I received a copy of a liquor manager application from Mitchelle Sheehan for Fiesta Latina/The Club located at 2815 S. Locust. While perusing the application, I noticed that out of the last 21 years, there have only been two periods where Mitchelle hasn't lived in Grand Island. He lived in Oklahoma for nine months between 2009 and 2010, and he lived in Texas for seven months between 2007 and 2008. His last two employers are listed as Wanda's Last Stop and the Peacock Lounge. Before that, he worked at the Firehouse, The Tank, and City Limits. Since I was aware of a few issues over the years at the Firehouse and The Tank, I sent out a Department-wide email asking all GIPD officers if anyone has had any contact with Mitchelle (good, bad, or otherwise). I didn't receive any responses. A few other areas of the application caught my attention. Mitchelle didn't disclose any criminal convictions, no one else is listed on the application, and Mithcelle said that he hasn't made application for a liquor license before.

I searched Mitchelle through Spillman and NCJIS. Spillman shows that Mitchelle has been cited for some traffic violations and was involved in a criminal mischief ten years ago. NCJIS shows Mitchelle has four convictions for speeding and two convictions for violating a traffic sign or signal. I did not find a conviction for criminal mischief. I did a general Internet search and found a couple of facebook pages with nothing on them. I also used a paid law enforcement-only database which indicates that Mithcelle may have had a bankruptcy in 2002 and four judgments against him with the last one being in 2009.

I called Mitchelle on 10/23/14 and asked him some questions about his application. I wondered how he knew that Fiesta Latina needed a liquor manager. Mitchelle said that he has driven by Fiesta Latina several times and noticed it wasn't open. Mitchelle approached the owner and asked him if he wanted some help running the bar. They came to an agreement. Mitchelle said they're going to try to have some pool and dart leagues, and he also wants to have a teen night once or twice a month. He

emphasized that they wouldn't sell any alcohol on teen night. He also said if a teen left the club, they would not be allowed to re-enter.

I also told Mitchelle that the question on the application about convictions includes traffic tickets. He said he didn't realize that and apologized. Mitchelle also verified that he declared bankruptcy shortly after he got divorced, and he has some outstanding judgments against him. The last question I asked was about him stating on the application that he had never applied for a liquor license before. I recalled that he had applied for a license at The Firehouse. Mitchelle said that he had to withdraw that application, so he didn't think it counted. Mitchelle acknowledged that if that application counted, he answered the question incorrectly and apologized.

All in all, while Mitchelle should have disclosed his traffic convictions, I didn't find any other more serious undisclosed convictions. He also should have disclosed that he has applied for a liquor license before, but his explanation was believable. Since I didn't get any responses from other GIPD members about Mitchelle, and none of the other omissions or inaccuracies were serious, I see nothing that would preclude Mitchelle from becoming the liquor manager at Fiesta Latina/The Club.