

# **City of Grand Island**

Tuesday, December 22, 2015 Council Session

### Item G-7

### Approving Liquor Manager Designation for Steven Roker, 4821 Bear Creek Road, Lincoln, NE for Walgreens #12538, 1230 N. Webb Road and Walgreens #03467, 1515 West 2nd Street

Staff Contact: RaNae Edwards

## **Council Agenda Memo**

From:	RaNae Edwards, City Clerk			
Meeting:	December 22, 2015			
Subject:	Request from Steven Roker, 4821 Bear Creek Road, Lincoln, NE for Liquor Manager Designation with Walgreens #12538, 1230 N. Webb Road and Walgreens #03467, 1515 West 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street			
Presenter(s):	RaNae Edwards, City Clerk			

#### **Background**

Steven Roker, 4821 Bear Creek Road, Lincoln, NE has submitted applications with the City Clerk's Office for Liquor Manager Designations in conjunction with Walgreens #12538, 1230 N. Webb Road and Walgreens #03467, 1515 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.

These applications have 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 these requests for Liquor Manager Designations.

#### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the requests from Steve Roker, 4821 Bear Creek Road, Lincoln, NE for Liquor Manager Designations in conjunction with the Class "D-88630" Liquor License for Walgreens #12538, 1230 N. Webb Road and the Class "D-88629" Liquor License for Walgreens #03467, 1515 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street with the stipulation that Mr. Roker complete a state approved alcohol server/seller training program.

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INVOLVEMENTS:

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Relationship

Business Involved Business Involved Manager Applicant Steven's Spouse

NM	50937	11/24/15	Walgreens,
NM	155460	11/24/15	Walgreens,
NM	205645	11/24/15	Roker, Steven C
NM	205647	11/24/15	Roker, Sarah D

LAW INCIDENT CIRCUMSTANCES:

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LAW INCIDENT NARRATIVE:

Steven Roker is applying to be the liquor manager at Walgreen's on 2nd Street and Walgreen's on Webb Road.

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Grand Island Police Department Supplemental Report

Date, Time: Tue Nov 24 14:21:42 CST 2015 Reporting Officer: Vitera Unit- CID

Steven Roker is applying to be the liquor manager at each Walgreen's location in Grand Island. According to his application, Steven lives in Lincoln with his wife Sarah. He has lived in Lincoln since 2000, and Sarah has lived in Lincoln since 2005. Sarah signed a Spousal Affidavit of Non-Participation form. Steven has worked for Walgreen's since 2000. On the part of the application which asks for criminal convictions, Steven disclosed a willful reckless driving conviction from 2006. Sara didn't disclose any convictions. Steven also checked a box on the application indicating that he's not planning on supervising the businesses in person.

I checked the Roker's through Spillman and NCJIS. Neither one of them had an entry in Spillman. Steven had one undisclosed speeding conviction from 1998 while Sarah didn't have any convictions listed in NCJIS. The Roker's don't have any outstanding arrest warrants, and they each have a valid Nebraska driver's license. I did a general Internet search on the Roker's and found a facebook page for Sarah with nothing disturbing on it. I didn't pinpoint anything on Steven. I also searched for information on the Roker's through a paid law enforcement-only database and didn't find anything out of the ordinary.

I called Steven on 11/24/15 and spoke to him about being the liquor manager at the two Walgreen's in Grand Island. Steven said that he will be the liquor manager at fifty Walgreen's store in Nebraska. Steven said he currently personally visits the Walgreen's in Grand Island twice a month and communicates with both stores many times a week. Steven said he was told by someone in the corporation that the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission (NLCC) prefers to have one liquor manager for multiple stores. I had a prior discussion with a representative of the NLCC who acknowledged that having one liquor manager for numerous stores presents challenges, but it is also convenient for the NLCC during the application process.

I believe the issue of having one liquor manager for several stores scattered all over the State came in front of the Council last Summer involving a manager for Shopko and a manager for Pump & Pantry. I didn't attend that meeting but was told that the Council approved the managers after some discussion.

Steven and Sarah's lack of criminal history coupled with the Council's and the NLCC's acceptance of prior liquor managers supervising multiple stores all over the State of Nebraska, the Grand Island Police Department doesn't have any objections to Steven Roker becoming the liquor manager at both Walgreen's in Grand Island.