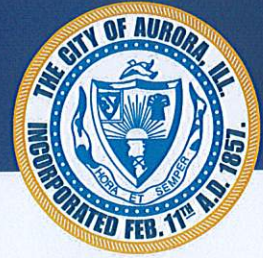


City of Aurora

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



TO: Aurora City Council

Richard C. Irvin
Mayor

FROM: Mayor Richard C. Irvin 

DATE: October 14, 2019

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Creation of New License – Taqueria Aurora

Purpose:

The purpose of this memo is to provide a recommendation to the City Council to create a new Class F Liquor License for Taqueria Aurora, located at 645 N. Elmwood Dr., Aurora, 60506. This recommendation is provided under the guidelines outlines in Sec. 6-13(d).

Background:

Taqueria Aurora submitted a completed application for a Class F Liquor License in September, which would allow them to sell Beer/Wine in their location at 645 N. Elmwood Dr., Aurora, 60506. This location is subject to the requirements laid out in 6-13(d) due to their proximity to McCleery School. The location has been in business for one year in good standing, and does not have any issues on record with the City of Aurora.

Discussion:

I have reviewed the application as well as the supplemental materials provided by the applicant as required by 6-13(d). The City Clerk also collected information from the Aurora Police Department, feedback from the Ward Alderman and the finding of the city's Liquor Control Hearing Officer. In reviewing the packet, I find I concur with Alderman Donnell and Hearing Officer, Elizabeth Berrones and support the creation of a license for this business.

I do not believe that this establishment holding a liquor license will have a negative impact on the school or neighborhood in general. As with any new liquor license holder, they will be on probation with the City of Aurora for one year and have also completed the State of Illinois BASSET Training program, which teaches employees how to serve alcohol in a safe and responsible manner. The restaurant uses servers, which means the floor area where alcohol will be consumed is well monitored.

Recommendation:

As the Liquor Commissioner for the City of Aurora, I recommend the City Council vote to create a new Class F license.