

**LICENSES AND CONSUMER SERVICES  
LICENSE INSPECTOR'S REPORT**

**License Number:** L247-50436 **Police File Number:** F13507  
**Date of Application:** March 28, 2014  
**Inspector:** Mohamed Ismail  
**Applicant/Legal Entity:** Agra Culture Kitchen & Press, LLC  
**DBA/Trade Name:** Agra Culture  
**Complete Address:** 3717 W 50<sup>th</sup> St , Minneapolis, MN 55408  
**License Requested:** On Sale Wine with Strong Beer, Class E  
**Current License:** None

**Purpose of Application:** Agra Culture is applying for an on sale wine with strong beer, Class E, to operate a full service restaurant with wine and strong beer.

**Responsible person within 75 miles of Minneapolis City Hall:** Mikael Asp

**Public Hearing Requirement:** Required.

**Neighborhood/Ward:** Fulton Neighborhood / Ward 13

**Zoning:** C2

**7 acre requirement:** Met

**Off-Street Parking:** The Zoning Administrator has determined that 8 off street parking are required.

**Churches or schools within 300 feet of the proposed premises:** None

**Seating:** Inside: 60 Seats Outside: 36 seats

**Food Service requirement:** 60/40 60% food to 40% alcohol ratio required.

**Hours of operation proposed:** 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily.

**Metropolitan Council Service Availability Charges:** SAC 10 Paid

### **History of Location**

This location was previously known as The Bead Monkey. Also, this is formerly the location of Vermilion Restaurant which had a wine/beer license. They went out of business in 1999.

### **Applicant**

The applicant is Agra Culture Kitchen & Press, LLC. It is organized under Minnesota State Statutes Chapter 322B.

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>	<b><u>Shares</u></b>
1 Zenith Holdings MSP, LLC (Aaron Switz)	Owner	57.70%
2 Hillcrest Holdings, LLC (Mikael Asp)	Owner/Manager	19.23%
3 2008 Niagara Trust 514		6.25%
4 Fresh, LLC (Serene Warren)		6.25%
5 Robert E Switz Revocable Trust		1.56%
6 Carolyn Taylor		1.56%
7 Clover Fields Capital Z&H, LLC (Matt Hemsley)		1.56%
8 Lili Chester Revocable Trust		0.94%
9 Olivia Hornig		0.63%
10 Milton Chazin Family Trust		0.63%
11 Ed Adams		0.47%
12 Jill Zipkin		0.47%
13 Robert Swiller		0.38%
14 Jeff Margolis		0.31%
15 Michael Sampson		0.31%
16 Howard Grodnick		0.31%
17 Colleen Preheim		0.31%
18 JYA Ventures, LLC (John Applebaum)		0.19%
19 Stuart Chazin Revocable Trust		0.16%
20 John William Whitaker, Jr Trust		0.16%
21 Danielle & Steve Arlow		0.16%
22 Daniel J Solomon Revocable Trust		0.16%
23 Matthew & Elizabeth Shors		0.16%
24 Nicholas McLean Brown Revocable Trust		0.16%

The main shareholders are Aaron Switz and Mikael Asp. Both of these shareholders are the owner of the Yogurt lab, II, located at 5007 France Avenue, Minneapolis.

### **Police Review**

Minneapolis Police Licenses and 5<sup>th</sup> Precinct have reviewed the financial, criminal histories and security plans for Agra Culture. They have determined that Agra Culture shareholders have met the minimum requirements under the Minneapolis City ordinances to obtain an alcohol license.

### **Premises**

Agra Culture is located at 3717 W 50<sup>th</sup> St. It is located in a single story building with a ground floor entry. It contains 2978 square feet with interior seating for 60 persons. The

location is compact and contiguous as required by city ordinance. The business has an outdoor patio that seats 36 people.

**Business Plan/Operations**

Agra Culture will offer fast and casual dining for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Their concept is to offer healthy eating dining. The only entertainment will be background music. They will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily.

The applicant will not offer mechanical amusement devices or charitable gambling on the premises. They are sponsoring a local bicycle team.

The applicant is requiring all servers to attend alcohol server training. Their business plan indicates an alcohol policy that requires all patrons will be carded.

The license holder is requesting a Class E entertainment license which permits the use of radio, television, prerecorded music, karaoke, and jukebox with limited non-amplified sound in the premises.

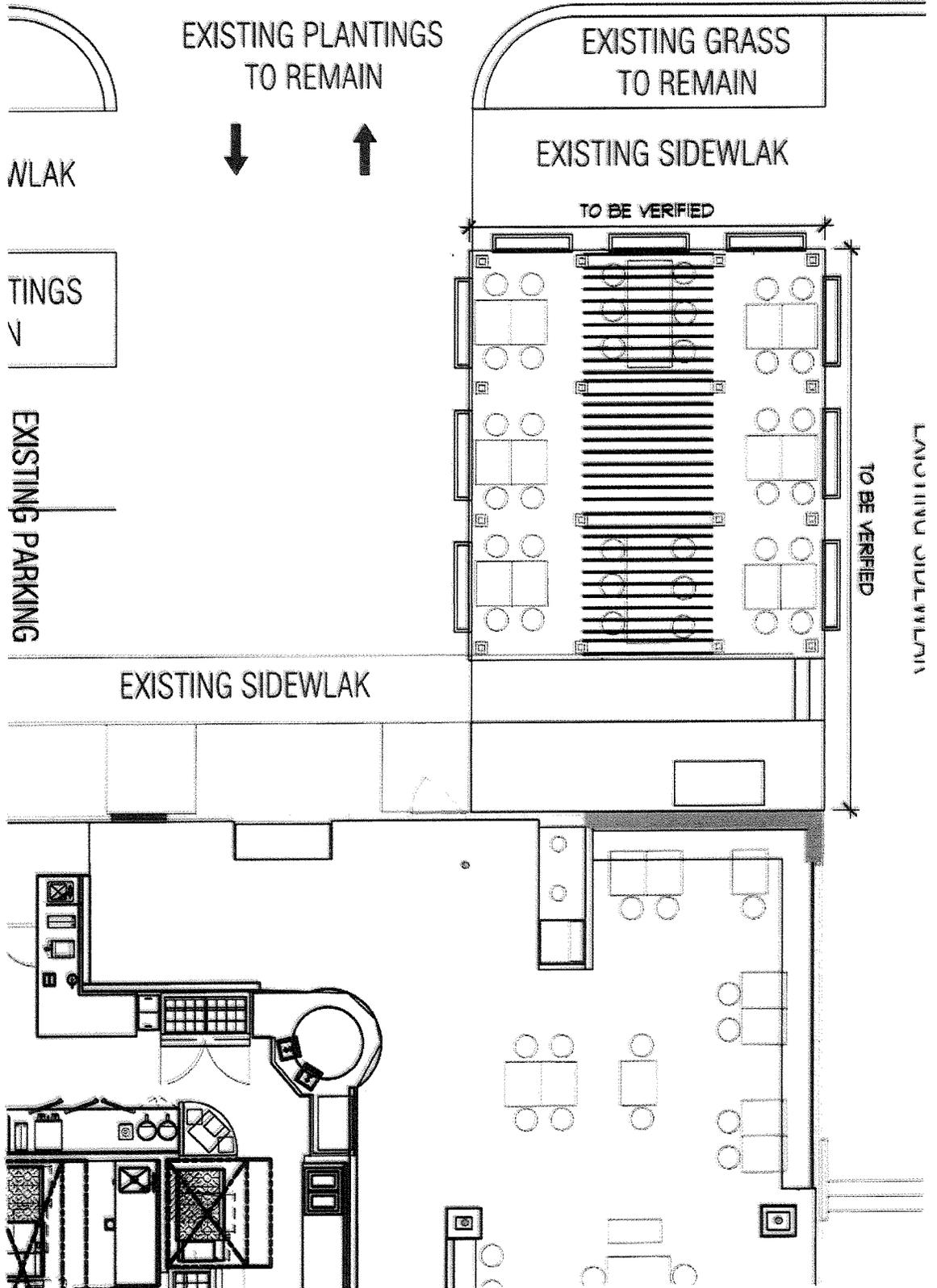
**Public Hearing Requirement:** A public hearing is required for this license application. 183 notices were mailed to residents and property owners within 600 feet of the premises on April 14, 2014. An electronic hearing notice was e-mailed to Council Member Linea Palmisano, the Fulton Neighborhood Association, the 50th & France Business & Professional Association, and the Linden Hills Business Association. The public hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 29, 2014, at the Community Development & Regulatory Services Committee meeting.

**LICENSE CONDITIONS**

There are no license conditions being placed on this license at this time.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Licenses and Consumer Services Division recommends approval of an On Sale Wine with Strong Beer, Class E.



DCA, AGRA CULTURE KITCHEN & PRESS  
 ADDRESS: 3717 WEST 50TH STREET  
 CONTACT PERSON: NICKEL, AAR  
 PHONE NUMBER: 612-849-8938

**MEZZ**  
 80 FOOTAGE, 2478  
 DINING 60 FOOTAGE, 1830  
 OCCUPANT LOAD, 89

**EXTERIOR**  
 80 FOOTAGE, 620  
 DINING 60 FOOTAGE, 496  
 OCCUPANT LOAD, 41  
 2 TABLES AT 24' X 36'  
 24 CHAIRS - ALL ACCESSIBLE  
 2 TABLES AT 30' X 6'-0" ALL  
 ACCESSIBLE  
 8 CHAIRS - 8 AT EACH TABLE  
 SEATING CAPACITY: 58

**BAR**  
 20' TO SEAT 8 AND 8 CHAIRS  
 1 WALL BENCH WITH 8 TABLES AT 24' X  
 36' TABLES AND 1 CHAIR  
 1 WALL BENCH TO SEAT 1 WITH 1 24' X  
 36' TABLE = 16 CHAIRS  
 2 TABLES AT 24' X 36" (all accessible)  
 OCCUPANT LOAD: 89

**BAR STOOLS**  
 8 BAR STOOLS  
 2 TABLES TO SEAT 8 EACH (8' X 42")  
 - BOTH ACCESSIBLE - SEAT 4  
 2 8' X 36" BENCHES - SEAT 4  
 SEATING CAPACITY: 68