LICENSES AND CONSUMER SERVICES LICENSE INSPECTOR'S REPORT

License Number: L208 50295 Police File Number: 13323

Date of Application: September 11, 2012

Inspector: Craig Eliason

Applicant/Legal Entity: Hilton Beverage LLC

DBA/Trade Name: Hilton Minneapolis

Complete Address: 1001 Marquette Avenue

License Requested: On-Sale Liquor Class A with Sunday Sales

Responsible person within 75 miles of Minneapolis City Hall: Robert Sabin

Public Hearing Requirement: Not Required

License Conditions: No

Neighborhood/Ward: Downtown West / 7

Zoning: B4-1 This is a permitted use in the Downtown

Business District.

7 acre requirement: N/A

Off- Street Parking: No parking requirement

Churches or schools within 300 feet of the proposed premises: N/A

Seating: Inside: 360 Outside: N/A

Fire Occupancy: Inside: 360 Maximum Outside Capacity: N/A

Food Service Requirement: The applicant will operate a full service restaurant and

provide room service within the hotel.

Hours of operation: 6:00 AM-11:00 PM 7 days a week

Metropolitan Council Service Availability Charges: None

HISTORY OF LOCATION

The Minneapolis Hilton has operated and has held an on sale liquor Class A license at this location since its inception in 1990.

APPLICANT

Due to corporate restructuring, the current licensee, Hilton Worldwide, Inc., has formed a new entity, Hilton Beverage LLC, to provide food and beverage service to the Minneapolis Hilton. Hilton Worldwide Inc. will remain as the hotel licensee. Hilton Beverage LLC is a Minnesota corporation formed on September 11, 2012 under Chapter 322B (File Number 617637800024) and having the required restriction on the transfer of stock. The sole member of Hilton Beverage LLC is Hilton Worldwide, Inc. The officers of Hilton Beverage LLC are as follows:

Name
Joseph Berger

Title
President

Kevin Jacobs Senior Vice President/Treasurer

W. Steven Standefer Senior Vice President

Keith Clampet Vice President/Assistant Treasurer

Robert Phillip Sabin, Jr. Vice President
Owen Wilcox Assistant Secretary

MANAGER

The general manager of Hilton Beverage LLC is Robert Sabin. Mr. Sabin has served as the general manager of the Minneapolis Hilton since November 2011 has passed the criminal background check.

POLICE REVIEW

Police Licensing and this inspector have reviewed the expenses and source of funds reported in this application. The applicant has provided documentation showing adequate legal and traceable funding for this venture and has passed the criminal background check. The applicant has also undergone a security review with the First Precinct of the Minneapolis Police Department.

PREMISES

The licensed premises will consist of the same physical space as the currently licensed establishment. The hotel operates the Skywater Restaurant and Lounge on the main level of the hotel. The restaurant has an occupant load of 360 persons. The applicant will also provide food and beverage service to the hotel's banquet rooms, ballroom and provide room service.

BUSINESS PLAN/OPERATIONS

The hotel will be open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The Skywater Restaurant and Lounge will be open 6:00 AM-11:00 PM 7 days a week as a full service restaurant. The applicant is applying for a Class A license in order to allow occasional speakers at meetings and conferences and to allow live music at wedding receptions and other gatherings. All managers, servers, bartenders and barbacks are required to attend and certify in the national TIPPS training program. Everyone who appears to be under 35 years of age will be carded. The applicant will not sponsor sports teams, offer charitable gambling or offer amusement devices on the premises.

RECOMMENDATION

Business Licenses recommends approving this application for an On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class A License.