

HOURS OF OPERATION PROPOSED: INSIDE: 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Monday through Thursday; 5:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday; and 5:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. Sundays.

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES: \$61,490.00/paid

HISTORY OF LOCATION

This address housed several Class “E” Wine and Strong Beer restaurants from 1991 until 2004.

APPLICANT

The applicant is Burch Group,LLC., DBA, Burch Steak and Pizza Bar was incorporated under Chapter 302A (3423187-2) on July 22, 2009. The applicant has provided documentation showing adequate, legal, and traceable funding for this venture. They have the required restriction on the transfer of shares and have the following shareholders and officers:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Shares</u>
Ryan Burnet	Partner	33.3%
Isaac Becker	Partner	33.3%
Nancy St. Pierre	Partner	33.3%

MANAGER

Noel Becchetti will serve as the manager of the business. Ms. Becchetti Has a Bachelor of Science in Hospitality and Tourism from UW-Stout. She has been in the hospitality industry since 2001. She has worked in many Twin Cities restaurants and most recently has been the Assistant Manager at 112 Eatery since 2011.

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 Fifth Precinct of the Minneapolis Police Department has discussed security issues with the applicant.

PREMISES

The lease shows exclusive use of premises by the applicant. The licensed premises are on the first floor and basement area of the establishment. The premises will consist of approximately 9,854 square feet. The first floor of the establishment will be utilized for fine food and dining. The first floor will have seating for 152 people at tables and chairs including 13 seats at the bar service area. The basement level will be utilized as a pizza dining area. There is seating for 66 people at tables and chairs including 14 seats at the bar service area.

BUSINESS/PLAN/OPERATIONS

The applicant’s vision for Burch Steak and Pizza Bar is to be a fine dining destination for their customers. Their menu on the first floor will focus on a subtle European slant, including hot and cold appetizers, various entrees and a la carte choices. Prices for

appetizers will range from \$5.00 to \$16.00. Entrees will range in price from \$16.00 to \$100.00. The pizza dining on the limestone basement level will offer pizzas and other menu items prepared from their wood burning oven. Besides pizza, the other foods available will be roasted seafood and vegetables featuring a northeast Italy flair. The applicants will employ a staff of approximately 40. Burch Steak and Pizza Bar is required to have a 60/40 food to alcohol ratio. All employees will complete alcohol compliance training provided by Ale Training service. They will then have annual compliance training as part of their normal process. They will have a discipline policy for alcohol servers. All patrons who appear to be 35 years or younger will be checked by staff for a legal form of identification. They will conduct self-audits and will have a reward/discipline policy. The applicants indicate that they will not be a club or a bar and do not foresee large groups of patrons leaving at one time. Proposed business hours will be 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Monday through Thursday; 5:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday; and 5:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. Sundays.

PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY

A public hearing is required for this application. 155 public hearing notices were mailed out to residents and property owners, and 56 multi-family residences were posted within 600 feet of the premises, and e-mailed to the Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association, Business Licenses received four public hearing responses. A public hearing was held at the Kenwood Recreation Center at 2102 Franklin Avenue West on January 22, 2013. Of those attending many voiced concerns about the late hours that the business is planning on having if approved. The general thoughts about this business being there was that most wanted the business there but didn't want them to have the late night hours.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Licenses and Consumer Services Division make the following recommendation for the application for Burch Steak and Pizza Bar. The license application for a Class "E" On Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales and license is recommended for approval.