



## **HISTORY OF LOCATION**

This location has held an on sale liquor license since it opened in 2006. It most recently housed D'Amico Kitchen, which held a Class B on-sale liquor license.

## **APPLICANT**

The applicant is Marin Hospitality Corporation, a Minnesota corporation formed on January 3, 2013 under Chapter 302A (File Number 637763400029) and having the required restriction on the transfer of stock. The officers and shareholders of Marin Hospitality Corporation are as follows:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>	<b><u>Shares</u></b>
Craig Bentsdahl	President	95%
Michael Rakun	Partner	5%

## **MANAGER**

The general manager of Marin will be Michael Rakun. Mr. Rakun has 13 years of experience in the service industry, most recently as Chef and General Manager of the Mill Valley Kitchen in St. Louis Park, MN. He 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 space contains approximately 9,767 square feet of restaurant and bar space located on the street and lower levels, an outdoor courtyard on the street level and the banquet and meeting rooms in the Le Meridien Chambers Hotel, located at 901 Hennepin Avenue. The applicant will also provide room service to the hotel. There will be interior seating for 346 patrons at tables and chairs, booths and a bar. The occupant load is 599 persons. The outdoor courtyard will offer seating for 144 patrons at tables and chairs, booths and a bar. The total customer capacity of the outdoor courtyard is 283 persons.

## **BUSINESS PLAN/OPERATIONS**

Marin will be open Sunday-Thursday from 6:30 AM-11:00 PM and Friday and Saturday from 6:30 AM-Midnight. The outdoor courtyard will be open the same hours as the interior. The applicant's business plan states that Marin will be a fine dining restaurant and bar serving an upscale clientele. Marin will operate as a full-service restaurant, offering a full menu for breakfast, lunch and dinner. All staff associated with alcohol service will undergo alcohol compliance training given by ALE Training. Their policy will be to card all patrons who appear 35 years of age or younger ordering alcoholic beverages. The applicant is applying for a Class E license, which allows entertainment in the form of radio, television, electronically reproduced music, karaoke and jukebox. The applicant's business plan states that entertainment will be limited to recorded music and television. The volume will be maintained at a level that is appropriate for a fine dining restaurant. Indoor music will be turned off at closing time, which is 11:00 PM Sunday through Thursday and Midnight on Friday and Saturday. Outdoor music will be turned off at 10:00 PM daily. The applicant indicates that it will not sponsor sports teams or offer charitable gambling or amusement devices on the premises.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Business Licenses recommends approving this application for On-Sale Liquor Class E with Sunday Sale license.