

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

**License Number:** L206-50251

**Police File Number:** F.13568

**Date of Application:** July 25, 2014

**Inspector:** Nicole Anderson

**Applicant/Legal Entity:** Dong Hae Korean Grill & Sushi, LLC

**DBA/Trade Name:** Dong Hae Korean Grill & Sushi

**Complete Address:** 251 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North #100, Minneapolis, MN 55401

**Licenses Requested:** On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class E

**Current License:** Food Restaurant

**Responsible person within 75 miles of Minneapolis City Hall:** Young Mi Roth-Suh

**Public Hearing Requirement:** Not required

**Neighborhood/Ward:** Downtown West / 03

**License Conditions:** None

**Zoning:** B4S-2/DP- This is a permitted use in the Downtown Service District/Downtown Parking Overlay District.

**Off-Street Parking:** The Office of the Zoning Administrator does not require off street parking for this establishment.

**Churches or schools within 300 feet of the proposed premises:** No

**Seating:** 147 Seats

**Fire Occupancy:** 357

**Food Service Requirement:** The applicant will provide food service consisting of no less than four entrees and food service will occur during a substantial portion of the operating hours of the establishment.

**Hours of operation proposed:** 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Sunday – Thursday  
11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., Friday – Saturday

**Metropolitan Council Service Availability Charges:** There were no SAC charges for this project.

**HISTORY OF LOCATION**

This location previously operated as Nami Restaurant, with an On-Sale Liquor and Sunday Sales, Class E license, from 2002 until March 2014. The applicant currently operates a full service restaurant at this location.

### **APPLICANT**

The applicant is Dong Hae Korean Grill & Sushi, LLC, doing business as Dong Hae Korean Grill & Sushi. It was incorporated under File Number 728627100021 under Chapter 322B on January 23, 2014. 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:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>DOB</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>	<b><u>Ownership (%)</u></b>
Gloria Janet Kang		Chief Manager	50%
Susan Marie Kang		Secretary/Treasurer	50%

### **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 First Precinct of the Minneapolis Police Department has discussed security issues with the applicant.

### **PREMISES**

Dong Hae's will be a full service, sit-down restaurant. The licensed premises will consist of approximately 6,888 square feet on the first floor. There will be seating for 147 patrons at tables and booths, and a bar consisting of 12 seats. The Fire Department has determined an occupant load of 357 for the restaurant. The licensed premises space is compact and contiguous. There are no undefined spaces.

### **MANAGER**

Dong Hae's will be managed by Young Mi Roth-Suh. Ms. Roth has passed the criminal background check.

### **BUSINESS PLAN/OPERATIONS**

Dong Hae is working with the Minnesota Restaurant Association for their alcohol server training program. Their policy is to check the identification of everyone that orders alcoholic beverages that appear under 40 years of age, in the best judgment of the server. An electronic card reader is not anticipated at this time.

Dong Hae's will immediately terminate any employee that illegally serves a minor any alcohol. Self-audits will be conducted if the business feels the need or suspects issues with alcohol service.

The businesses proposed hours of operation will be 11:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 11:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Dong Hae's have met with the 1<sup>st</sup> Police Precinct to discuss security related concerns and anticipate their security needs to be nominal. Management and staff are trained in the basic principles of establishment security and have expected protocols for handling security related issues. Dong Hae will have a designated manager on duty at all times that is trained to handle security issues. The business is equipped with security cameras and all staff will wear name tags identifying them as employees.

Entertainment will consist of radio, television, and prerecorded background music.

Prerecorded music will be kept at a background level on a regular basis and there is no live entertainment planned for this location. With the limited entertainment, a more upscale clientele

and the hours of operation, Dong Hae's anticipate nominal noise issues; however, if issues arise they will be dealt with in a timely manner by the general manager or supervisor on duty. Dong Hae's believe their overall impact on the community will be positive based on the nature of their business and by their anticipated clientele. This location also is in line with the surrounding area's commercial node.

Staff will be responsible for litter removal, at a minimum of twice daily, within 100 feet of the premises prior to opening and just before employees leave for the evening.

The menu offers several varieties of Korean and Japanese style entrees along with non-alcoholic beverages.

There will be no charitable gambling, or team sponsorships.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Licenses and Consumer Services Division recommends approving this application for an On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class E license.

### **LICENSE CONDITIONS**

None