

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

**License Number:** L208-50320      **Police File Number:** 13549

**Date of Application:** Jun 18, 2014

**Inspector:** Michele Harvet, 612-673-5484

**Applicant/Legal Entity:** Nitelife, Inc.

**DBA/Trade Name:** Nitelife

**Complete Address:** 725 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55403

**Responsible person within 75 miles of Minneapolis City Hall:** Cristina Kabanuk

**Public Hearing Requirement:** Not required.

**License Conditions:** None at this time.

**License Requested:** On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class A with Adult Entertainment

**Most Recent License Approved at this Location:** On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class A with Adult Entertainment

**Purpose of Application:** New proprietor applying for same license as was previously held in this location.

**Neighborhood/Ward:** Downtown West / 7

**Zoning:** B4-2/DP Downtown Business District/Downtown Parking Overlay District

**7 acre requirement:** Met

**Off-Street Parking:** There is no parking requirement.

**The proposed use is over 1,000 feet from a residentially zoned district. There are no qualifying churches, schools, libraries, or daycares within 500 feet of the proposed premises. This would be the only adult entertainment establishment on this block face.**

**Seating:** Inside: 150 Seats      Outside: None  
**Maximum Capacity:** Inside: 210

**Food Service Requirement:** Meets the minimum food service requirement.

**Hours of Operation:**                      **Inside:** 11:00am - 2:00am Monday through Sunday

**Metropolitan Council Service Availability Charges:** All SAC have been paid for this location.

**HISTORY OF LOCATION**

The Skyway Lounge operated On-Sale Liquor License with Sunday Sales, Class A, with adult entertainment at this location from 1973 to 2010. Lure operated there with the same license from 2010 to 2013.

**APPLICANT**

The applicant is Nitelife, Inc., a Minnesota corporation formed on May 13, 2013, under Chapter 302A (File Number 672278300023), having the required restriction on the transfer of stock and has the following shareholder:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>DOB</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>	<b><u>Shares</u></b>
David Kabanuk	3/6/61	President	100%

The shareholder has extensive experience in owning and operating retail, restaurant and real estate businesses. He has owned and operated Cowboy, Tropix, BarFly and Maruso in Minneapolis. Mr. Kabanuk meets all minimum requirements including criminal background check.

**MANAGER**

The general manager of Nitelife will be Cristina Kabanuk. Mrs. Kabanuk has extensive experience owning and operating alcohol establishments.

**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**

The premises are mostly on street level with a mezzanine level for additional seating overlooking the main floor. The premises occupy approximately 3800 square feet. There is a stage set at the middle of the premises for the entertainers. There is seating for 150 people at tables and booths. There is one bar, on the main level, that seats 15 people. The plans submitted show that there are no private areas in the licensed premises for patrons (other than restrooms).

The rest of the establishment consists of a kitchen, coolers, locker rooms, office, and rest rooms. There are customer restrooms on the main level. There is an elevator to provide access to the mezzanine level. There is a stage set at the middle of the first floor. There is a shower room on the mezzanine level for entertainers to perform within the glass enclosure. Customers will not be allowed to enter into the shower room. The premises to be licensed are compact and contiguous. There are no undefined spaces. There will be no outdoor area considered licensed premises.

## **BUSINESS PLAN/OPERATIONS**

Alcohol server training will be provided to staff through written manuals and on the job training. They will provide ongoing training with weekly service and policy checks by management. Staff will be informed and checked daily of the current date of birth for legal alcohol consumption, before the start each shift. All patrons ordering alcohol will be asked to show identification. Staff who serve alcohol to minors will be subject to termination according to the policies in the training manual. Management will be required to spot check staff throughout the evening to reinforce adherence to ID and alcohol service policies. Alcohol servers will be required to attend alcohol training meetings.

Security staff will consist of cross-trained bartenders and service staff, regular security personnel, and will be supervised by an on-site manager. The philosophy on security is to encourage respectful behavior and diffuse situations before patrons may become unruly. Security staff will be trained to approach customers using friendly reinforcement of the rules. If there are patrons who have caused trouble at the establishment, Nitelife reserves the right to refuse service to those patrons. Party buses and pedal pubs will be assessed on a case by case basis to determine the temperament of the group and whether or not they seem to be under the influence of alcohol.

Entertainment will include, but not be limited to; comedians, music performances, poets, burlesque, improvisational skits, mimes, magicians, aerialists, male and female exotic topless dancing, personal (lap, couch) dances in public and semi-private areas, topless shower shows, disc jockeys, dancing, circus acts (no animals without proper permitting) and bands. In addition, they may also host movie nights, karaoke, sporting events, private parties, corporate events, art exhibits, fashion shows, classes and workshops. Any activity which will be prohibited by state or local ordinances, will not be allowed to occur at the establishment.

The menu features appetizers and main entree food items including wings, salads, hamburgers, chicken sandwiches, reuben sandwiches, steak sandwiches, strip and sirloin steak and chicken parmesan ranging in prices from \$5 to \$17.

Litter pickup and area maintenance, within 100 feet and on the sidewalk, will occur during normal operating duties, closing duties and scheduled checks throughout the hours of operation. Noise is not anticipated to be an issue. Speakers will be facing inward and management will ensure that the establishment is compliant with current sound ordinances. Also, there will not be an outdoor patio at this establishment. If there are noise complaints, management will address and resolve them immediately. There are no mechanical amusement devices, charitable gambling, or sports sponsorships planned at this time. The applicant may wish to add them in the future.

## **PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY**

Not applicable.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

The Licenses and Consumer Services Division recommends approving this application for an On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class A License with Adult Entertainment.

## **LICENSE CONDITIONS**

None at this time.