

History of Location

3900 East Lake Street was previously a Superamerica convenience store. It was closed in February 2005.

Applicant

The applicant is Peppers & Fries, LLC registered under Minnesota Statute 322B.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Shares</u>
Steve Frias	President	100%
Lorraine Frias	Secretary	0 shares

Mr. Frias has an extensive history as an owner and operator of restaurants. Those restaurants include Boca Chica Restaurante in St Paul, MN, Coronado's restaurant in Burnsville, MN and Pepe's Restaurant in Minneapolis, MN.

Police Review

Minneapolis Police 3rd Precinct and Police Licenses have reviewed the financial, criminal and security plans for this application. They have determined that the applicant meets minimum ordinance requirements

Premises

The premise is a one story building with a total of 2001 square feet. The dining area will be 1097 square feet. There will be a total of 81 seats in the interior of the building. Seating will be at tables, a food counter area and a bar area with 16 seats. There will be an interior waiting area. The outdoor area will consist of five tables with seating for 20 persons.

Business Plan/Operations

The applicant intends to operate a full service restaurant with both American and Hispanic foods. Food will be available during all hours of operation with no reduced menu available.

The applicant plans on only having background music in the interior of the premises. There will be no outdoor speakers. The outdoor café is located directly in front of the building and away from the sides of the building that are close to residences.

Public Hearing

A public hearing is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at Brackett Recreation Center. 190 notices mailed out on 9/29/2014 to residents and property owners within 600 feet. Twelve people attended the public hearing. Discussion of the hours of operation and noise were discussed. The licensee responded by reviewing policies and physical efforts to prevent issues in the neighborhood. Those included 1) only one way into his parking lot from the residential street and no exit onto the residential street 2) he is trying to lease parking from the liquor store for after 10:00 p.m. to keep parking to Lake Street. 3) Employees will not be allowed to parking to park on 39th Street 4) signage will be used to request patrons keep their voices down when leaving the establishment. There was overwhelming consent to allow this applicant to have an on sale liquor license. We did receive five written responses. Three written responses also had concerns about the hours of operation and possible noise issues.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Licenses and Consumer Services Division recommends approval of an On Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class E license.