

LICENSES AND CONSUMER SERVICES
LICENSE INSPECTOR'S REPORT
Extended Hours License
L317-50082

Purpose of Application: TA's Automotive, LLC wishes to extend their operating hours for their existing gasoline filling station license to 24 hours pay-at-the-pump gasoline service.

Applicant's Name (Legal Entity): TA's Automotive, LLC

DBA/Trade Name: TA's Automotive

Complete Address: 4554 Chicago Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55407

Telephone Number: 612-823-7100

Current License: Gasoline Filling Station, Motor Vehicle Repair
Garage w/Accessory, Confectionery.

Zoning: C2

Current Authorized Hours: Sunday through Thursday, 6:00am until 10:00pm.
Friday and Saturday 6:00am until 11:00pm.

Neighborhood/Ward: Regina/Ward 8

Date of Application: May 5, 2016

Inspector: Phil Cotterill

Public Hearing Requirement: A public hearing is required for this license application. On May 16, 2016, 41 notices were mailed to residents and property owners within 300 feet of the premises. Electronic notices were e-mailed to Council Member Elizabeth Glidden, the South Chicago Avenue Business Alliance and the Field Regina Northrop Neighborhood Association. The public hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 7, 2016, at the Community Development & Regulatory Services Committee meeting.

Background: TA's Automotive is currently licensed as a gasoline filling station. They have been so licensed since April 14, 2014. They offer gasoline, motor vehicle repair and confectionery.

Findings as required by the Minneapolis Licensing Code

The Licenses and Consumer Services Division has analyzed the application and concludes that the application has answered the following:

A security plan that describes the security features, including personnel and equipment, that the applicant will employ and how they will be utilized.

TA's Automotive has had a security plan review with the 3rd Police Precinct. The plan has been approved.

TA's Automotive has security cameras inside and outside of the building that run 24 hours. They have lights on the outside of the building that are on 24 hours. They have a security system installed at the property that notifies owners of any window/door breaks or fire situation. There is an emergency shut off button for the gasoline pumps. There are fire extinguishers at the property. There is an emergency telephone on the property. All gasoline pumps have proper signage of what to do in case of an emergency.

Fire Inspection Services has approved the unattended gasoline sales at this facility.

Description of how the applicant will maintain the orderly appearance and operation of the premises with respect to litter and noise.

TA's Automotive business plan indicates that they will closely monitor and clean-up the property every day before regular closing, and will inspect the property on Saturday and Sunday when the business is closed. TA's Automotive does not tolerate loitering on the property, if any does occur people are asked to leave the premises immediately.

Conformance with applicable zoning regulation, including but not limited to use, yards, gross floor space and specific development standards.

The property is zoned C2 Zoning District for the property located at 4554 Chicago Avenue. The business is categorized as a gasoline filling station, which is a permitted use in the C2 zoning district.

Proximity to permitted or conditional residential uses.

TA's Automotive, 4554 Chicago Avenue is located in a single story building. The entrance is at the sidewalk level and the one block area surrounding them is commercial, with some residential buildings to their south and west.

Nature of the business and its impacts of noise, light, and traffic.

This gasoline filling station is adjacent to both commercial and residential uses.

History of complaints related to the use.

TA's Automotive, LLC has no history of violation orders being issued. There are no outstanding fines or fees with our partners at zoning, health, and CPED. The 3rd Police Precinct of the Minneapolis Police Department has noted that this business has not been a problem property and they have not observed any problems or received complaints about the business.

RECOMMENDATIONS (pending public hearing):

The Licenses and Consumer Services Division makes the following recommendation regarding this application to extend hours:

Grant the license applicant the following extended hours: 24 hours pay-at-the-pump service.

This is an annually reviewed license. These hours will be reviewed at the next license renewal period. It will be possible to restrict the hours further if there are violations related to the Extended Hours License.