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Date:

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for the **application** you recently filed for a \_\_\_\_\_

at \_\_\_\_\_\_, Denver, Colorado. The Department of Excise and Licenses is in receipt of your application and has scheduled a public hearing for this application.

#### Notice of Public Hearing

You are hereby notified to appear remotely for the public hearing	scheduled on	at
You can access the remote hearing via telephone by calling	<u>,</u> code:	or via video
conference using this link:		

Your assigned Licensing Techr	nician is	They can be reached
at	or by emailing	;

#### Policies and Procedures for Your Public Hearing

Your public hearing and all related procedures will be governed by the Denver Excise and Licenses Hearing Policies and Procedures, which are available to the public on our <u>website</u> or by clicking <u>here</u>. **Please read the Hearing Policies and Procedures carefully, paying close attention to the following**:

- Article I General Provisions
- Article II Procedures Applicable Only to Needs & Desires Hearings
- Article

# In addition, please take special notice of the Temporary Modifications to the Hearing Policies and Procedures, which have been included in the attached documents

### Posting Notice of Your Public Hearing

You must post notice of your public hearing at your proposed or licensed premises. This notice must be posted for a minimum of \_\_\_\_\_\_ calendar days prior to the hearing, and in the manner outlined in Section 2.1.6 of the Hearing Policies and Procedures. Please note that the notice must be posted in a clear manner (not behind tinted glass) at the front entrance of your building or another location that is conspicuous to the public. Failure to properly post may result in the continuance of your hearing or a denial of the application. Included in this hearing packet is a template for the *notice posting language* that must appear on your sign.

You must post the notice of your hearing on \_\_\_\_\_\_ no later than **8:00 a.m.**, and you shall maintain the notice posting **through**\_\_\_\_\_\_, the date of your hearing.



#### **General Communication Procedures**

The procedures for communicating with the Department can be found in Section 1.6.1 of the Hearing Policies and Procedures.

#### Map of Designated Area

The Department of Excise and Licenses has designated the neighborhood in question by selecting an area surrounding your location. A *Map of the Designated Area* is included in this hearing packet. For complete information about the Designated Area, please refer to the Hearing Policies and Procedures.

#### **Findings**

Included in this hearing packet is a *Findings document* stating the findings rendered in this matter. Failure to submit any of the requirements stated in the Findings document may result in a cancellation of the above-set public hearing date, and/or denial of your application that would require you to submit a new application <u>and application fees</u>. Please do not hesitate to contact your Licensing Technician should you have any questions regarding the Findings document.

#### **Circulating Petitions**

If you intend to circulate petitions, please read, sign, and return the *Circulating Petitions* form included in this hearing packet. Please note that petitions must be pre-filed with the Department at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the hearing. For complete information regarding the circulation of petitions, please refer to Section 2.1.7 of the Hearing Policies and Procedures.

#### Legal Representation

As the Applicant, you have the right to be represented by an attorney at your own expense. A corporation or limited liability company <u>must</u> appear before an administrative agency through an attorney, subject to a few exceptions. For complete information regarding legal representation before the Department, please refer to Section 1.5 of the Hearing Policies and Procedures.

If you believe you are exempt from the corporate representation requirements, please complete the *Corporate Resolution Form* included in this hearing packet and submit it to your Licensing Technician via e-mail no later than two (2) days prior to your hearing date.

If you will be represented by an attorney, please have your attorney submit an Entry of Appearance to your Licensing Technician via e-mail no later than two (2) days prior to your hearing date.

#### Exhibits

All parties are responsible for their own. Except for the Hearing Posting Affidavit, all exhibits must be pre-filed seven (7) days prior to the hearing. All exhibits must be marking in numerical sequence with a pre-identifier (A-1, A-2, A-3...for Applicant; P-1, P-2, P-3... for Protestant, etc.) and emailed to ... Applicants may elect to testify at the hearing that all posting

requirements have been met, instead of filing a Hearing Posting Affidavit.

#### Your Burden of Proof at the Hearing

At your public hearing, you will be required to prove why said application should be approved. You will be required to present evidence demonstrating the neighborhood need for the license and that the residents and/or business owners or managers in the area around your location desire that the license issue. You must also establish that the issuance of this license will not have an adverse effect on the health, welfare or morals of the neighborhood in question and that there is not good cause to deny the application. Please refer to the Hearing Policies and Procedures, as well as applicable state and local laws in order to properly understand your burden. You must present this evidence, even if the application is not contested.

#### Special Circumstances

<u>Virtual Participation in a Hearing</u>: If you have any questions about participating virtually or remotely, please contact your assigned Licensing Technician.

<u>Requesting an Evening Hearing</u>: Any Applicant, Licensee, or Party in Interest may request an evening hearing pursuant to Section 2.2 of the modified Hearing Policies and Procedures.

<u>Contested or Continued Hearings</u>: Hearing dates may be revised or continued at the discretion of the Director or Hearing Officer upon a showing of good cause or for purposes of accommodating opposition to an Application pursuant to Section 1.6 of the modified Hearing Policies and Procedures.

<u>Foreign Language Interpreter</u>: Any Applicant, Licensee, Party in Interest, or City Attorney may request a foreign language interpreter for any hearing. Such requests must be made in writing per the guidelines in Section 1.6.3.8 of the Hearing Policies and Procedures.

Thank you for your attention to these matters.

Molly Duplechian Executive Director Denver Department of Excise and Licenses

# Certificate of Delivery:

The undersigned hereby states and certifies that one true copy of the foregoing Findings, together with the application hearing packet were e-mailed to the following on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

CC:

DR 8404 (07/07/23) COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE Liquor Enforcement Division (303) 205-2300

Colorado	Liquor
<b>Retail License</b>	<b>Application</b>

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* Note that the Division will not accept cash Paid	Moveit on							
	r of Ownership 🔲 State Property Only 🗌 Master file							
<ul> <li>All answers must be printed in black ink or typewritten</li> <li>Applicant must check the appropriate box(es)</li> <li>Applicant should obtain a copy of the Colorado Liquor, Beer and Wine Code: <u>SBG.Colorado.gov/Liquor</u></li> </ul>								
1. Applicant is applying as a/an 🔲 Individual 🗹 Limited Liability Company 🗌 Association or Other								
Corporation Partnership (includes Limited Liability and Husband and Wife Partnerships)								
2. Applicant If an LLC, name of LLC; if partnership, at least 2 partner's names; if corporation, name of corporation Bennell LLC 92-2723762								
2a. Trade Name of Establishment (DBA) House of Copa	State Sales Tax Number Business Telephone 957040500001 805-585-9373							
3. Address of Premises (specify exact location of premises, include suit 1200 Clayton Street	/unit numbers)							
City	County State ZIP Code							
Denver	Denver CO 80206							
A Mailing Address (Number and Street)	City of Town							
5. Email Address chaim@houseofcopa.com								
6. If the premises currently has a liquor or beer license, you must answ	er the following questions							
	ate License Number Present Class of License Present Expiration Date N/A N/A							
Section A Nonrefundable Application Fee	* Section B (Cont.) Liquor License Fees*							
Application Fee for New License\$1,100.0								
Application Fee for New License w/Concurrent Review\$1,200.0								
Application Fee for Transfer								
Section B Liquor License Fee								
Add Optional Premises to H & R\$100.00 X Total	Anager Registration - Tavern\$30.00							
	- Analysis - Lodging & Entertainment							
Add Related Facility to Resort Complex\$75.00 X Total	- Manager Registration - Campus Liquor Complex \$30.00							
Add Sidewalk Service Area \$75.0	0 Dotional Premises License (City) \$500.00							
Arts License (City)\$308.7	5 Optional Premises License (County) \$500.00							
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Application Documents Checklist and Worksheet Instructions: This checklist should be utilized to assist applicants with filing all required documents for licensure. All documents must be properly signed and correspond with the name of the applicant <u>exactly</u>. All documents must be typed or legibly printed. Upon final State approval the license will be mailed to the local licensing authority. Application fees are nonrefundable. Questions? Visit: SBG.Colorado.gov/Liquor for more information Items submitted, please check all appropriate boxes completed or documents submitted Applicant information A. Applicant/Licensee identified B. State sales tax license number listed or applied for at time of application C. License type or other transaction identified D. Return originals to local authority (additional items may be required by the local licensing authority) E. All sections of the application need to be completed N/A 🔲 F. Master file applicants must include the Application for Master File form DR 8415 and applicable fees to this **Retail License Application** Diagram of the premises II. A. No larger than 8½" X 11" B. Dimensions included (does not have to be to scale). Exterior areas should show type of control (fences, walls, entry/exit points, etc.) C. Separate diagram for each floor (if multiple levels) D. Kitchen - identified if Hotel and Restaurant E. Bold/Outlined Licensed Premises III. Proof of property possession (One Year Needed) A. Deed in name of the applicant (or) (matching question #2) date stamped / filed with County Clerk B. Lease in the name of the applicant (or) (matching question #2) C. Lease assignment in the name of the applicant with proper consent from the landlord and acceptance by the applicant D. Other agreement if not deed or lease. (matching question #2) IV. Background information (DR 8404-I) and financial documents A. Complete DR 8404-I for each principal (individuals with more than 10% ownership, officers, directors, partners, members) B. Fingerprints taken and submitted to the appropriate Local Licensing Authority through an approved State Vendor. Master File applicants submit results to the State using code 25YQHT with IdentoGO. Do not complete fingerprint cards prior to submitting your application. The Vendors are as follows: IdentoGO - https://uenroll.identogo.com/ Phone: 844-539-5539 (toll-free) Colorado Fingerprinting - http://www.coloradofingerprinting.com Appointment Scheduling Website: http://www.coloradofingerprinting.com/cabs/ Phone: 720-292-2722 Toll Free: 833-224-2227 Details about the vendors and fingerprinting in Colorado can be found on CBI's website here: https://cbi.colorado.gov/sections/biometric-identification-and-records-unit/employment-and-background-checks C.Purchase agreement, stock transfer agreement, and/or authorization to transfer license D.List of all notes and loans (Copies to also be attached) V. Sole proprietor/husband and wife partnership (if applicable) A. Form DR 4679 B. Copy of State issued Driver's License or Colorado Identification Card for each applicant

VI. Corporate applicant information (if applicable) A. Certificate of Incorporation B. Certificate of Good Standing C. Certificate of Authorization if foreign corporation (out of state applicants only) VII. Partnership applicant information (if applicable) A. Partnership Agreement (general or limited). B. Certificate of Good Standing VIII. Limited Liability Company applicant information (if applicable) A Copy of articles of organization B. Certificate of Good Standing C.Copy of Operating Agreement (if applicable) D. Certificate of Authority if foreign LLC (out of state applicants only) IX. Manager registration for Hotel and Restaurant, Tavern, Lodging & Entertainment, and Campus Liquor Complex licenses when included with this application A.\$30.00 fee B. If owner is managing, no fee required

Name		Type of License	Account Numb	er		
Bennell LLC		Beer & Wine				
<ol> <li>Is the applicant (including any of or officers, stockholders or direc</li> </ol>	tors if a corporation) or ma	nagers under the age of	of twenty-one years?		Yes	No
8. Has the applicant (including any						
company; or officers, stockholde	ers or directors if a corporat	tion) or managers ever	(in Colorado or any oth	ier state):	_	_
<ul> <li>a. Been denied an alcohol beverage lic</li> <li>b. Had an alcohol beverage lic</li> </ul>		-d2				$\mathbf{Z}$
c. Had interest in another entity			ed or revoked?		H	
If you answered yes to 8a, b or c, e						
9. Has a liquor license application	(same license class), that	at was located within 5	00 feet of the propose	∋d		$\mathbf{Z}$
premises, been denied within t						
10. Are the premises to be licensed	d within 500 feet, of any p	ublic or private school	that meets compulso	ry		V
education requirements of Colo	prado law, or the principal	campus of any colleg			0	
			Waiver by local ord	inance?		
11. Is your Liquor Licensed Drugsto	vro (LLDS), or Potoil Lique	r Ctara (DL C) within 45	Other:		_	
liquor license for off-premises sa	ales in a jurisdiction with a	population of greater f	boo leet of another feta han (>) 10 00002 <b>NO</b>	all TE <sup>,</sup> The		
distance shall be determined by	a radius measurement th	at begins at the princip	al doorway of the LLD	)S/RLS		
premises for which the applicati					N	/A
12. Is your Liquor Licensed Drugsto	ore (LLDS) or Retail Lique	or Store (RLS) within 3	000 feet of another re	tail liquor	N	I/A
license for off-premises sales in shall be determined by a radius	a jurisdiction with a popul	lation of less than (<)	10,0000? NOTE: The	distance		"Al
for which the application is bein	a made and ends at the p	rincipal doorway of the	e Licensed LLDS/RLS	JICHIISES	_	
13. a. For additional Retail Liquor Sto				_		
b. Are you a Colorado resident	?					Ъ
14. Has a liquor or beer license eve	er been issued to the appl	licant (including any of	f the partners, if a part	inership;		
members or manager if a Limite If yes, identify the name of the I loans to or from a licensee.	ed Liability Company: or c	officers, stockholders of	or directors if a cornor	ation)?		
15. Does the applicant, as listed on	line 2 of this application, h	ave legal possession	of the premises by			ᆔ
ownership, lease or other arran	gement?	<b>J</b>			للتبن	
🗆 Ownership 🗹 Lease 🔲 🛛	Other (Explain in Detail)					
a. If leased, list name of landlord	d and tenant, and date of e	expiration, exactly as t	hey appear on the lea	se:		
Landlord	Tenant			Expires		
Clayton Properties, L.L.C.	Benne			3/26/202	25	
b. is a percentage of alcohol sa	ales included as compens	ation to the landlord?	If yes, complete ques	tion 16.		
c. Attach a diagram that design	ates the area to be licens	ed in black bold outlin	e (including dimensio	ns) which	sho	ws
the bars, brewery, walls, part	titions, entrances, exits ar	nd what each room sha	all be utilized for in thi	s busines:	s. Th	nis
diagram should be no larger		ling persons Server	-to-on-the second state		1.11:1-	3124
<ol> <li>Who, besides the owners listed companies) will loan or give mo</li> </ol>	nev, inventory, furniture o	ing persons, tirms, pa ir equipment to or for i	innerships, corporatio	ns, limitea vr.who.will		XIIITY Sivol
money from this business? Atta	ch a separate sheet if neo	essary.			1000	
Last Name	First Name	Date of Birth	FEIN or SSN	Interest/Pe	ercen	tage
First National Bank of Omaha	N/A	N/A	N/A	Lender		
Last Name	First Name	Date of Birth	FEIN or SSN	Interest/Pe	ercen	tage
Bankers Healthcare Group, LLC	N/A		N/A	Lender		
Attach copies of all notes and set	curity instruments and a	any written agreemei	nt or details of any o	ral agree	men	it,
by which any person (including p profit or gross proceeds of this e or conditional in any way by volu	stablishment, and any a	greement relating to	the business which	is contin	he Igen	t
17. Optional Premises or Hotel and						
Has a local ordinance or resolut			1?		$\square_{N}$	R
Nu	mber of additional Option	al Premise areas requ	ested. (See license fe	e chart)		
18. For the addition of a Sidewalk	Service Area per Regulat	іол 47-302(A)(4), inclu	ude a diagram of the	service ar	ea a	and
documentation received from the	e local governing body au	thorizing use of the sid	ewalk. Documentation	n may incli	ude	but
is not limited to a statement of L	ise, permit, easement, or	other legal permission	15. N//	4		

Name		Type of License		Account Number		
Bennell LLC		Beer & Wine				
<ol> <li>Liquor Licensed Drugstore (LLDS a. Is there a pharmacy, licensed by If "yes" a copy of license must</li> </ol>	ine Colorado Board of Pl		hin the appli	cant's LLDS premise?	N/A	
20. Club Liquor License applicants an	20. Club Liquor License applicants answer the following: Attach a copy of applicable documentation					
<ul> <li>a. Is the applicant organization ope and not for pecuniary gain?</li> </ul>	rated solely for a nationa	al, social, fraternal, p	patriotic, polil	tical or athletic purpose		
is operated solely for the object of a pathotic of fraternal organization of society, but not for pecuniary gain?						
c. How long has the club been inc	corporated?					
d. Has applicant occupied an estat the reasons stated above?				s operated solely for		
<ol> <li>Brew-Pub, Distillery Pub or Vintne a. Has the applicant received or applica</li></ol>				ion must be attached)		
22. Campus Liguor Complex applican	-		1 •	r runuuununubaandaraikeenteksikeetenteksikikkeenaaraaniuuunsiaalakkeenaari		
a. Is the applicant an institution of		j.			N/A	
<ul> <li>b. Is the applicant a person who c If "yes" please provide a copy food services.</li> </ul>	ontracts with the institu					
<ul> <li>23. For all on-premises applicants.</li> <li>a. For all Liquor Licensed Drugstor</li> <li>- DR 8000 and fingerprints.</li> </ul>	es (LLDS) the Permitted	d Manager must als	o submit an	Manager Permit Applic	ation	
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<ol> <li>Does this manager act as the man establishment in the State of Color</li> </ol>					Yes No	
25. Related Facility - Campus Liquor						
<ul> <li>a. Is the related facility located wit</li> </ul>						
If yes, please provide a map of If no, this license type is not availa	ble for issues outside the	e geographical locati				
b. Designated Manager for Relate	ed Facility- Campus Liq	uor Complex				
Last Name of Manager		First Name of Manage	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~		00474426624482642C	
26. Tax Information.	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	L		***************************************	Yes No	
<ul> <li>a. Has the applicant, including its managing members (LLC), or a been found in final order of a ta penalties, or interest related to a</li> </ul>	ny other person with a k agency to be delinque	10% or greater fina	incial interes	st in the applicant,		
<b>b.</b> Has the applicant, including its						
managing members (LLC), or a				st in the applicant		
failed to pay any fees or surcha	rges imposed pursuant	to section 44-3-50	3, C.R.S.?			
<ol> <li>If applicant is a corporation, partn Directors, General Partners, an or members with ownership of 1 DR 8404-I (Individual History Rec website. See application checklist</li> </ol>	d Managing Members 0% or more in the app ord), and make an app	s. In addition, appli plicant. All persor pointment with an a	cant must lis	st any stockholders, p low must also attach	artners, form	
Name	Home Address. Citv & State		DOB	Position	%Owned	
Chaim David Bennell				Manager & Member	100%	
Name	Home Address, City & State	•	DOB	Position	%Owned	
Name	Home Address, City & State	:	DOB	Position	%Owned	
Name	Home Address, City & State		DOB	Position	%Owned	
Name	Home Address, City & State		DOB	Position	%Owned	

Name		Type of License		A	
Bennell LLC		Beer & Wine		Account Number	
<ul> <li>** If applicant is owned 100% by a parent of the president, Vice-President, Vice-President, Vice-President, Vice-President, Vice-President, Parcentage if applicable)</li> <li>** If total ownership percentage disclosed</li> <li>Applicant affirms that no individual other not have financial interest in a prohibition.</li> </ul>	dent, Secretary and here does not tota her than these disc	d Treasurer must be I 100%, applicant n closed herein owns	e accounted nust check t 10% or mo	for above (Include his box: re of the applican	·
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Applicant			
I declare under penalty of perjury in the sec complete to the best of my knowledge. I als and employees to comply with the provisio	ond degree that th to acknowledge th	is application and a at it is my responsil	bility and the	e responsibility of	t, and my agents
Authorized Signature Chaim Bennell	Printed Name and Chaim David E	Title Bennell, Manager &	Member	•	09/06/23
		icensing Authority			
Date application filed with local authority Date 9/11/2023	of local authority hearing	(for new license applicant	s; cannot be less	s than 30 days from date	of application)
For Transfer Applications Only - Is the license bein	g transferred valid?				Yes No
DR 8000 (Manager Permit) has been:      Fingerprinted      Subject to background investigation That the local authority has conducted, or i applicant is in compliance with and aware o (Check One)      Date of inspection or anticipated da      Will conduct inspection upon approx	intends to conduct of, liquor code pro- ite val of state licensi	, an inspection of the visions affecting the negative structure of the negative structure of the negative structure	ne proposed air class of li	premises to ensu cense	
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The foregoing application has been examin cant are satisfactory. We do report that suc hood and the desires of the adult inhabitan Liquor Rules. Therefore, this application	h license, if grante ts, and will comply	ed, will meet the rea	asonable rec	uirements of the	neighbor-
Local Licensing Authority for Denver		Telephone Number (720) 865-26	85	County	
Signature	Print		Title		Date
Signature	Print		Title		Date



City and County of Denver DEPARTMENT OF EXCISE AND LICENSES 201 W. Colfax Ave. Dept. 206 Denver, CO 80202 P: 720.865.2740 F: 720.865.2881 www.denvergov.org/businesslicensing

# Cabaret License Application

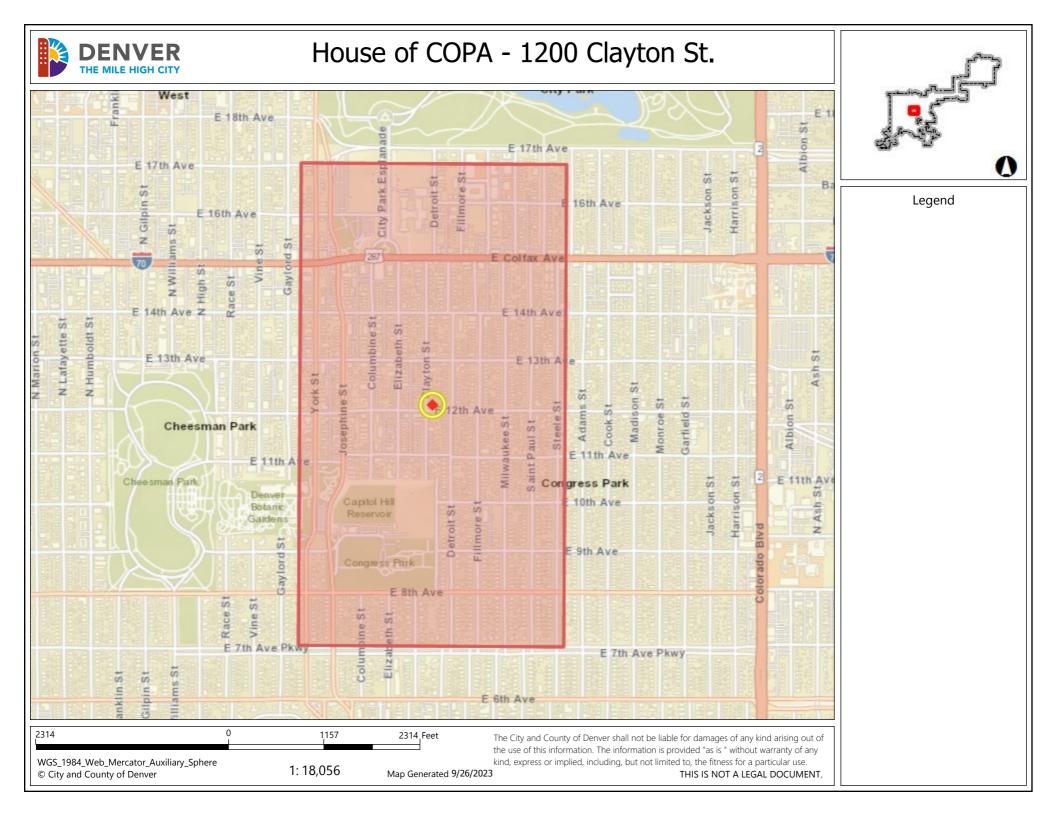
New License Application		Type of License Applied for and Application Fees:				
Change in Ownership			Application	License		
Modification of Premises		Standard Cabaret	\$500.00	\$750.00		
Instructions: 1. Attach appropriate application and lic	cense fees.	Acoustic Cabaret	\$500.00	\$750.00		
2. Attached approved Zoning Use Perm	nit.	Dance Cabaret	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00		
<ol> <li>Attach detailed sketch of interior shore entertainment and/or dance areas</li> </ol>	wing	Special Dance Cabare	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00		
(include dimensions).		Events Center Cabarel	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00		
<ol> <li>Include this application with liquor lice application (if applicable).</li> </ol>	ense	Adult Cabaret	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00		
1. Name of Applicant		1b. Trade Name of Establish	iment (DBA)			
Bennell LLC		House of Copa				
1c. Address of Business to be Licensed (Number	and Street)	City or Town	State	Zip Code		
1200 Clayton Street		Denver	СО	80206		
1d. Applicant is Applying as a:						
Corporation Individual	Partnersh	ip  Limited Liability Company	y 🛛	Association or Other		
2. Applicant has completed DR 8404, Retail License Application or DR 8403 3.2% Beer License Application.						
License Application or DR 8403 3.2% Beer L best of my knowledge. Further, I agree that al	2a. If yes, I declare under penalty of perjury in the second degree that all information contained in DR 8404, Retail License Application or DR 8403 3.2% Beer License Application and all attachments are true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge. Further, I agree that all information contained in DR 8404, Retail License Application or DR 8403 3.2% Beer License Application contained in DR 8404, Retail License Application or DR 8403 3.2% Beer License Application contained in DR 8404, Retail License Application or DR 8403 3.2%					
Authorized Signature:	Title:		Date:			
Chaim Bennell	Manager & M	lember	09/06/23			



3a. Type of Ente	rtainment to be offered		b. Premises square footage				
Live entertainment such as music.		Interior: 1210 s.f.; Exte					
c. Seating Capac	city		d. Square footage of stance	entertainment areas			
Interior: 41; E	Exterior: 44		Interior: 108 s.f.; Exter	rior 108 s.f.			
4. Has a cabaret license been denied for the premises within the last 2 years?							
5. Has ap	plicant or any of applicant's office	rs, directors, stoc	kholders, members, partners, o	or managers ever bee	n:		
a.	Denied a cabaret license?			Yes		•	No
b.	Had a cabaret license suspende	ed or revoked?		Yes		·	No
c.	Been convicted of a felony, any misdemeanor? See attache	alcohol related of ed.	fense, or any non-traffic	• Yes			No
	(If yes to any of the above, ple	ease attach an ex	planation.)				
attachments a responsibility	er penalty of perjury in the se are true, correct, and com and the responsibility of n cipal Code, which govern m	econd degree t plete to the be ny agents and	est of my knowledge. I a employees to comply wi	also acknowledge	that	it i	is my
Authorized Sign		Title:		Date:			
Chaim E	Bennell	Manager & N	lember	09/06/23			
CABARET LIC	ENSE TYPES:	<del>_</del>					
CABARET LICENSE TYPES: Standard – Live Entertainment. No adult entertainment, no patron dancing. Acoustic Cabaret – Unamplified live entertainment. No Patron dancing permitted. Dance Cabaret – Live or recorded entertainment and patron dancing, no adult entertainment. Special Dance Cabaret – Live or recorded entertainment and patron dancing is permitted. Entertainment is confined to the interior of the building or located upon the licensed premises as defined in the Colorado Liquor Code. Unamplified live entertainment or recorded entertainment and patron dancing may be provided beyond the interior of the building before 8:00 p.m. Event Center Cabaret – Seating capacity of at least 2,000 in which both live and/or recorded entertainment is provided and in which patron dancing is permitted. Adult Cabaret – Adult entertainment is provided, as well as the entertainment included in the Dance Cabaret.							

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# NOTICE

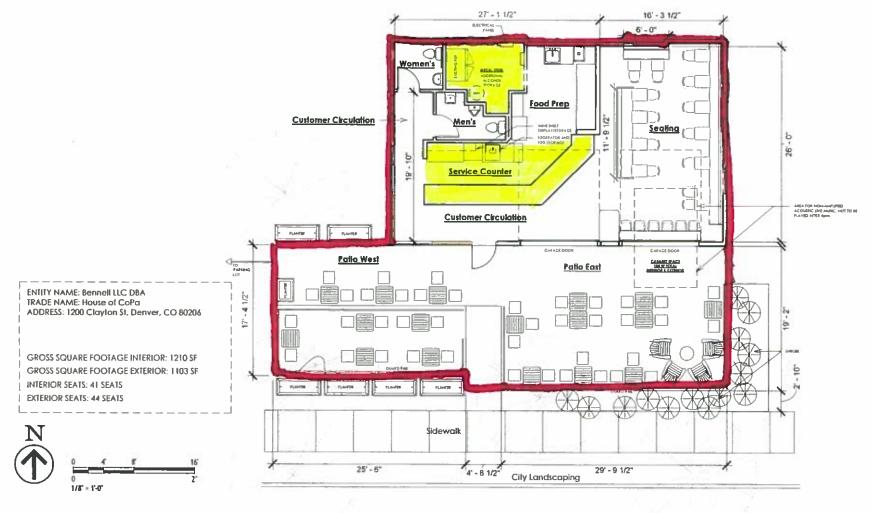
On September 11, 2023, a business applied for a Beer and Wine License with a Standard Cabaret at this location, 1200 Clayton St. Denver, CO 80206.

The name of the entity is Bennell, LLC, doing business as House of COPA, at 1200 Clayton St. Denver, CO 80206. The partners, managers, or officers are: Chaim David Bennell, Manager / Member.

A virtual hearing on this application will be on October 30, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.. Please contact the Department of Excise and Licenses at (720) 865-2685 for participation information. If you would like to request a night hearing, please do so by October 24, 2023. The request must be made in writing at least five days prior to the scheduled hearing date.

A map of the designated area is attached to this notice. Petitions regarding the application may be circulated within this designated area. All petitions must be filed with the Department on October 23, 2023.

More information about the hearing process may be found at <u>www.denvergov.org</u> or by contacting 311. **DIRECTOR OF EXCISE AND LICENSE** 



E12th Ave

# **Guide to Resident Participation in Needs & Desires Hearings**

To participate in a needs and desires hearing for a liquor license or a marijuana license, you must be at least 21 years old, or 18 for a medical marijuana license, and live or own/manage a business in the designated area around the business. You may choose one of the following ways to participate in a needs and desires hearing:



ma	<ul> <li>Sign a circulated petition</li> <li>Petitions may be circulated in opposition to or support for a license.</li> <li>You may only sign one petition for the same license application.</li> <li>See section 2.1.7 of the Hearing Policies and Procedures for more information. Petition forms and instructions are included in the hearing notice packet.</li> </ul>
	Submit a neighborhood witness affidavit
₩ × –	<ul> <li>A neighborhood witness affidavit allows you to explain your position on a license in more detail than a petition.</li> <li>The neighborhood witness affidavit must be notarized and submitted to EXLApplications@denvergov.org at least 7 days before the hearing.</li> </ul>
	Speak at the needs and desires hearing
<b>P</b>	<ul> <li>Three neighborhood witnesses may testify at length in support of the license. Three neighborhood witnesses may testify at length in opposition to the license.</li> <li>Additional neighborhood witnesses will have an opportunity to say whether they support or oppose the license, but they may not testify at length.</li> </ul>

#### How do I attend a virtual hearing?

Use the link provided in the hearing notice packet or call the phone number listed on the hearing posting to request the link.

#### How do I know if my residence or business is in the designated area?

See the map of the designated area that is included in the hearing notice packet and posted at the proposed location of the business.

#### How can I request an evening hearing?

To request an evening hearing, email a written request to <u>EXLApplications@denvergov.org</u> with at least five signatures of parties in interest (this may include residents or business owners/managers in the designated area). Include each individual's address and phone number. Submit the request at least five days prior to the hearing date.

#### How can I request a foreign language or sign language interpreter?

To request a foreign language interpreter, email <u>EXLApplications@denvergov.org</u> at least five days before the hearing. Include the name, address, and preferred language of the person who requires interpretation services, the license number, and whether the recommended and final decisions require translation. If you need a sign language interpreter or real-time captioning via CART Services, contact <u>SignLanguageServices@denvergov.org</u> with at least a three (3) business day notice. For other public accommodation requests/concerns related to a disability, please contact <u>DisabilityAccess@denvergov.org</u>.

### CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER DEPARTMENT OF EXCISE AND LICENSES

#### MEMORANDUM

TO: All parties in interest for Excise and Licenses hearings

FROM: Ashley Kilroy, Executive Director, Excise and Licenses

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DATE: April 15, 2021

RE: Modifications to the Department's Hearing Policies and Procedures affecting the Common Consumption Area license and making certain temporary Hearing Policies and Procedures permanent

# **INTRODUCTION**

The Department's Hearing Policies and Procedures shall be modified as described below. The modifications serve to add necessary provisions for common consumption area licenses, as well as provisions that make certain temporary provisions permanent.

The provisions addressing common consumption areas are intended to supplement Chapter 6, Article II of the Denver Revised Municipal Code, regarding Entertainment Districts and Common Consumption Areas. These provisions were drafted with input from the Liquor Common Consumption Work Group, convened in early 2020 and comprised of a diverse roster of stakeholders. Find out more about Entertainment Districts and Common Consumption Areas on the Department's website.

Other provisions addressing virtual hearings have been utilized by the Department during the COVID-19 pandemic to allow for the facilitation of electronic and remote participation in Department hearings and increased flexibility for parties in interest who may wish to testify. These provisions were first announced in a Department Memorandum dated May 1, 2020. This Memorandum effectively rescinds the May 1, 2020 Memorandum.

Questions about the Hearing Policies and Procedures may be sent to <u>licenses@denvergov.org</u>.

### **MODIFICATIONS**

New language is shown below using a <u>double underscore</u> and omitted language is shown below using a strikethrough.

1. In section **1.2 Definitions**, the following language shall be modified:

The following definitions of terms shall apply, unless the context requires otherwise:

"Applicant" means a <u>natural</u> person <u>or entity</u> who <u>that</u> has applied for a business or individual license with the Department, or any transaction relating thereto.

"Certified Promotional Association" means a promotional association that has been authorized by the director.

"Common Consumption Area License" means an area as defined in C.R.S. § 44-3-103(11), as amended, where persons over the age of twenty-one (21) may consume alcohol beverages outside of a liquor licensed premises.

<u>"Entertainment District Designation" shall have the same meaning as in C.R.S. § 44-3-103(15).</u>

"Licensee" means a <u>natural</u> person or entity who <u>that</u> currently holds a business or individual license with the Department.

"Party in Interest" means a person who is afforded certain legal rights at a licensing hearing. The specific rights afforded to a Party in Interest varies depending on the type of license for which the Applicant is applying. The table below indicates with an "X" which persons are considered a Party in Interest for each license type, and the legend below the table indicates which rights are afforded to a particular Party in Interest.

	License Type					
Party Type	Marijuana	Liquor	Cabaret	<u>CCA</u>		
Applicant	Х	Х	Х	<u>X</u>		
RNOs	Х	X**	X**	X		
City Council	Х	X***	X***	<u>X***</u>		
DPD Commander			Х			
School Principal		Х		<u>X</u>		
Business Owner/Manager	X*	X*	X*	<u>X*</u>		
Resident	X*	X*	X*	<u>X*</u>		

X with no asterisk - The Party in Interest may testify, present evidence, and crossexamine witnesses.

 $X^*$  - The Party in Interest must live or work within the Designated Area and may testify, present evidence, and cross-examine witnesses. In addition, the individual must be at

least 21 years of age, or for medical marijuana hearings, must be at least 18 years of age AND be registered as a medical marijuana patient with the State.

X<sup>\*\*</sup> - The Party in Interest may testify and present evidence, but may not cross-examine witnesses or seek judicial review of the Department's Final Decision.

*X*\*\*\* - *The Party in Interest may testify and present evidence, but may not cross-examine witnesses, nor is their testimony afforded any weight.* 

"Promotional Association" shall have the same meaning as in C.R.S. § 44-3-103(39), as amended.

2. In section **1.6.2 Use of Cameras at Hearing**, the following subsection shall be added:

**1.6.2.4** Use of Cameras to Facilitate Remote Hearings - The Director or Hearing Officer, in their discretion, may allow for the use of cameras to record, stream, or otherwise enable remote participation at any licensing hearing or proceeding initiated by the Department.

3. In section **1.6.3 General Pre-Hearing Procedures**, the following subsection shall be added:

**<u>1.6.3.1.1</u>** Remote Participation Authorized – Unless otherwise ordered by the Director or Hearing Officer, remote participation in licensing hearings or proceedings is permitted.

4. In section **1.6.3 General Pre-Hearing Procedures**, the following language shall be modified:

**1.6.3.8** <u>Request for Interpreter Services</u> – Any Applicant, Licensee, Party in Interest, or City Attorney may request a foreign language interpreter for any hearing. Such requests must be made in writing per the guidelines outlined in sections 1.6.1.2 and 1.6.1.3 no later than ten (10) <u>five (5)</u> days before the scheduled hearing date. Requests must include the name of the person who requires interpreter services, the address that qualifies the person as a Party in Interest (if applicable), the Business File Number, the language for which an interpreter is needed, and whether the Recommended and Final Decisions need to be translated.</u>

5. In section **1.6.3 General Pre-Hearing Procedures**, the following language shall be modified:

**1.6.3.9.1** <u>Grounds for Continuance</u> - Hearing dates may be revised or continued at the discretion of the Director or Hearing Officer upon a showing of good cause <u>or for purposes</u> <u>of accommodating opposition to an Application</u>. For purposes of this section 1.6.3.9 circumstances that might indicate "good cause" include, but are not limited to, occurrences outside of the requesting party's control, or an unanticipated change in the status of the case,

or a significant revision or amendment to the application. <u>For purposes of this section 1.6.3.9</u> circumstances that might indicate "opposition" include, but are not limited to, opposition to virtual or remote testimony or participation or opposition to an Application by a Party in <u>Interest.</u>

6. In section **1.6.4 General Hearing Procedures**, the following language shall be modified:

**1.6.4.5** <u>Exhibits</u> – All parties shall provide at least four (4) identical copies of each exhibit that they intend to introduce as evidence at the hearing for the Hearing Officer, City Attorney, and all other known Parties in Interest. All parties shall be responsible for making copies of their own exhibits. <u>This requirement is waived for remote hearings and proceedings.</u>

7. In section **1.6.5 General Post-Hearing Procedures**, the following language shall be modified:

**1.6.5.7** <u>Conditions</u> - At the Director's discretion, the Director may place additional conditions on the license as a result of evidence or testimony introduced at the hearing or as a result of the Department's investigation or general policies. <u>Conditions may be placed on a license to ensure that the licensee will operate lawfully or to incorporate the specific and enforceable provisions of a good neighbor agreement.</u> The Department will print license conditions on the face of the license. If conditions are attached to a license, the conditions will remain on the license in the event of any transfer of the license to new ownership unless specifically removed by the Department or Director.

8. In section **2.1.1 Designated Area**, the following language shall be modified:

**2.1.1.3** <u>Modification of the Designated Area – Upon Request</u> – Any Party in Interest may request, in writing per the guidelines outlined in sections 1.6.1.2 and 1.6.1.3 that the Director modify an established Designated Area. The request must explain the reason(s) for the request and must be filed no later than ten (10) five (5)</u> days after the date that notice posting commences. The decision to grant or deny such a request shall be within the sole discretion of the Director.

9. In section **2.1.4 Notification to Other Parties**, the following language shall be modified:

When scheduling a hearing, the Department will also send a Notice Packet to the following:

- (i) Any RNOs whose boundaries overlap any portion of the Designated Area;
- (ii) Relevant City Council Members;

- (iii) For Cabarets Licenses only, the Denver Police Department's designated representative; and
- (iv) For Liquor Licenses and Common Consumption Area Licenses only, the Denver Public School's designated representative.

10. In section **12.1.6 Posting Signs and Notices**, the following language shall be modified:

**2.1.6.1** <u>Posting Sign Location -</u> Posting signs must be placed in a conspicuous place on the licensed premises or proposed licensed premises which is clearly visible to the public. For Common Consumption Area Applications and Licenses, a posting sign must be placed in a conspicuous place at each participating business.

#### 2.1.6.2 Posting Sign Requirements

(v) The sign must inform the public that <u>petitions requests</u> for evening hearings must be filed fifteen (15) submitted in writing at least five (5) days before the scheduled hearing date.

11. In section **2.2.2 Requesting an Evening Hearing**, the following language shall be modified:

Requests for evening hearings may be made only by Applicants, Licensees, or Parties in Interest. Such requests must:

(i) Be submitted at least fifteen (15) five (5) days prior to the scheduled hearing date or rescheduled hearing date; and

(ii) Be made in writing per the guidelines outlined in sections 1.6.1.2 and 1.6.1.3 using a form provided by the Department; and

(iii) Contain at least fifteen (15) five (5) valid signatures of Parties in Interest, along with each individual's address and phone number.

12. In section **3.4.1 Posting Requirements**, the following language shall be modified:

The Applicant must post notice of the public hearing at the proposed location for a minimum of twenty (20) ten (10) days or as otherwise provided in the Application Letter and/or Order.

# 13. In section **3.5.1 Presentation of Evidence and Testimony**, the following language shall be modified:

**3.5.1.1** <u>Qualified to Testify</u> – Testimony and evidence for or against the Application may be considered from the following witnesses:

- (i) The Applicant;
- (ii) Neighborhood Witnesses;

(a) The Applicant must present at least one Neighborhood Witness (other than the Applicant) to provide testimony establishing the need and desire of the neighborhood for the license to issue. <u>If authorized by the Department</u>, <u>Neighborhood Witness(es) may participate remotely through the use of a pre-filed</u>

affidavit, telephonic testimony, or virtual appearance facilitated by the Department.

14. In section **4.4.1 Posting Requirements**, the following language shall be modified:

The Applicant must post notice of the public hearing at the proposed location for a minimum of twenty (20) ten (10) days or as otherwise provided in the Application Letter and/or Order.

15. In section **4.5.1 Presentation of Evidence and Testimony**, the following language shall be modified:

**4.5.1.1** <u>Qualified to Testify</u> – Testimony and evidence for or against the Application may be considered from the following witnesses:

- (i) The Applicant;
- (ii) Neighborhood Witnesses;

(a) The Applicant must present at least one Neighborhood Witness (other than the Applicant) to provide testimony establishing the need and desire of the neighborhood for the license to issue. <u>If authorized by the Department, Neighborhood Witness(es) may</u> <u>participate remotely through the use of a pre-filed affidavit, telephonic testimony, or virtual appearance facilitated by the Department.</u>

16. In section **7.4.1 Posting Requirements**, the following language shall be modified:

The Applicant must post notice of the public hearing at the proposed location for a minimum of twenty (20) ten (10) days or as otherwise provided in the Application Letter and/or Order.

17. In section **7.5.1 Presentation of Evidence and Testimony**, the following language shall be modified:

**7.5.1.1** <u>Qualified to Testify</u> – Testimony and evidence for or against the Application may be considered from the following witnesses:

- (i) The Applicant;
- (ii) Neighborhood Witnesses;

(a) The Applicant must present at least one Neighborhood Witness (other than the Applicant) to provide testimony establishing the need and desire of the neighborhood for the license to issue. If authorized by the Department, Neighborhood Witness(es) may participate remotely through the use of a pre-filed affidavit, telephonic testimony, or virtual appearance facilitated by the Department.

18. In section **9.5.1 Presentation of Evidence and Testimony**, the following language shall be modified:

**9.5.1.1** <u>Qualified to Testify</u> – Testimony and evidence for or against the Application may be considered from the following witnesses:

- (i) The Applicant;
- (ii) Neighborhood Witnesses;

(a) The Applicant must present at least one Neighborhood Witness (other than the Applicant) to provide testimony establishing the need and desire of the neighborhood for the license to issue. <u>If authorized by the Department</u>, <u>Neighborhood Witness(es) may participate remotely through the use of a pre-filed affidavit, telephonic testimony, or virtual appearance facilitated by the Department</u>.

19. In section **10.5.1 Presentation of Evidence and Testimony**, the following language shall be modified:

**10.5.1.1** <u>Qualified to Testify</u> – Testimony and evidence for or against the Application may be considered from the following witnesses:

- (i) The Applicant;
- (ii) Neighborhood Witnesses;

(a) The Applicant must present at least one Neighborhood Witness (other than the Applicant) to provide testimony establishing the need and desire of the neighborhood for the license to issue. If authorized by the Department, Neighborhood Witness(es) may participate remotely through the use of a pre-filed affidavit, telephonic testimony, or virtual appearance facilitated by the Department.

20. In section **13.5.1 Presentation of Evidence and Testimony**, the following language shall be modified:

**13.5.1.1** <u>Qualified to Testify</u> – Testimony and evidence for or against the Application may be considered from the following witnesses:

- (i) The Applicant;
- (ii) Neighborhood Witnesses;

(a) The Applicant must present at least one Neighborhood Witness (other than the Applicant) to provide testimony establishing the need and desire of the neighborhood for the license to issue. If authorized by the Department, Neighborhood Witness(es) may participate remotely through the use of a pre-filed affidavit, telephonic testimony, or virtual appearance facilitated by the Department.

21. In section **14.2.2 Notice of Posting and Publication**, the following language shall be modified:

The Applicant must post notice of the public hearing at the proposed location for a minimum of twenty (20) ten (10) days or as otherwise provided in the Application Letter and/or Order.

22. In section **14.3.3 Presentation of Evidence and Testimony**, the following language shall be modified:

**14.3.3.1** <u>Qualified to Testify</u> – Testimony and evidence for or against the Application may be considered from the following witnesses:

- (i) The Applicant;
- (ii) Neighborhood Witnesses;

(a) The Applicant must present at least one Neighborhood Witness (other than the Applicant) to provide testimony establishing the need and desire of the neighborhood for the license to issue. <u>If authorized by the Department, Neighborhood Witness(es) may participate remotely through the use of a pre-filed affidavit, telephonic testimony, or virtual appearance facilitated by the Department.</u>

23. After **ARTICLE XXI – DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS, ALL LICENSES**, the following language shall be added:

## <u>ARTICLE XXII – HEARINGS FOR NEW COMMON CONSUMPTION AREA</u> <u>LICENSES</u>

# Section 22.1 Applicability

The provisions contained in Article I (General Provisions) and Article II (Procedures Applicable Only to Needs & Desires Hearings), shall apply to all hearings for new Common Consumption Area Licenses conducted by the Department. The following provisions of this Article XXII apply in addition to those provisions outlined in Article I and Article II.

# Section 22.2 Public Hearing Requirement

<u>A public hearing shall be required for certification of a promotional association and for issuance of a common consumption area license.</u>

# Section 22.3 Combined Hearings

The hearings for the certification of a promotional association and the common consumption area license shall be combined into one hearing. The Applicant shall have the burden for establishing the qualifications for each license.

## Section 22.4 Pre-Hearing Procedures

## **22.4.1 Setting of the Hearing**

**20.4.1.1** Scheduling - The director shall schedule a public hearing upon the application not less than sixty (60) days from the date of the application.

### 22.4.2 Posting Requirements

20.4.2.1 Notice Posting – Required - The Licensee must post notice of the public hearing for a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to such hearing unless otherwise provided in the Application Letter/Order.

### 22.5. Hearing Procedures

## 22.5.1 Presentation of Evidence and Testimony

**22.5.1.1** Qualified to Testify - Testimony and evidence for or against the Application may be considered from the following witnesses:

- (i) <u>The Applicant;</u>
- (ii) Neighborhood Witnesses;
  - a. <u>The Applicant must present at least one Neighborhood Witness</u> (other than the Applicant) to provide testimony establishing the need and desire of the neighborhood for the license to issue. If authorized by the Department, Neighborhood Witness(es) may participate remotely through the use of a pre-filed affidavit, telephonic testimony, or virtual appearance facilitated by the Department.
  - <u>A maximum of three (3) Neighborhood Witnesses may testify at length in favor of the Application and three (3) may testify at length against the Application. This number does not include "en masse" (as a group) testimony.</u>
  - c. <u>The Hearing Officer may allow testimony at length from additional</u> <u>Neighborhood Witnesses if the Hearing Officer finds that the</u> <u>witness's interests are not adequately represented by one of the</u> <u>three (3) Neighborhood Witnesses, and if the testimony will not be</u> <u>cumulative or repetitive.</u>
  - d. <u>Other Neighborhood Witnesses who attend the hearing may testify</u> <u>en masse either for or against the issuance of the license. En masse</u> <u>testimony shall be limited to a determination of whether the</u> <u>witnesses qualify as Parties in Interest and whether the witnesses</u> <u>support or oppose the issuance of the license. En masse witnesses</u> <u>may not be cross-examined, except as to their qualifications to</u>

testify. At the Hearing Officer's discretion, the Hearing Officer may take en masse testimony at any time during of the hearing.

- (iii) City Council Member;
  - a. <u>Any member of City Council, whose area of representation</u> <u>includes any part of the Designated Area, shall be allowed to</u> <u>testify in his or her official capacity regarding his or her position</u> <u>on the Application and/or to convey the position of his/her</u> <u>constituents.</u>
  - b. <u>Testimony given by members of City Council will have no</u> <u>evidentiary value. However, if a member of City Council resides</u> <u>within the Designated Area, he or she may testify en masse or at</u> <u>length as one of the three (3) witnesses allotted to either side.</u>
- (iv)Authorized RNO Representatives;
  - a. <u>Any RNO may submit testimony regarding its position on the</u> <u>Application and/or to convey the position of its members. Only</u> <u>one representative of each RNO may testify regarding the position</u> <u>taken by the organization on the Application.</u>
  - b. <u>If an RNO representative resides within the Designated Area, he or she may also testify en masse or at length as one of the three (3)</u> witnesses allotted to either side.
- (v) A principal or representative of any school
  - a. <u>The principal or representative of a school located within five</u> <u>hundred (500) feet of the premises shall be allowed to testify in his</u> <u>or her official capacity regarding his or her position on the</u> <u>application and/or to convey the qualifications of the school. A</u> <u>principal or representative may cross-examine any witness.</u>
  - b. <u>If a principal or representative of any school resides within the</u> <u>Designated Area, he or she may also testify en masse or at length</u> <u>as one of the three (3) witnesses allotted to either side.</u>
- (vi) Expert Witnesses.
  - a. <u>A witness intending to give expert opinion testimony must first be</u> <u>qualified by the Hearing Officer as an expert at the hearing.</u>
  - b. <u>At least five (5) days prior to the hearing, parties shall file a list of any witnesses they intend to call as an expert witness. The list should include the expert's name, the expert's field of expertise, curriculum vitae, and any reports created by the expert or document used to support the expert's opinions.</u>

**22.5.1.2** Qualified to Cross-Examine – The City Attorney, the Applicant, and any Party in Interest as defined in Article I may cross-examine witnesses.

# 22.5.2 Standards for Certification

The Director may refuse to certify a promotional association upon a showing by preponderance of the evidence that the promotional association:

- (i) <u>Does not have a board of directors;</u>
- (ii) <u>Does not have at least one director from each licensed premises</u> <u>attached to the common consumption area on the board of directors;</u>
- (iii) Has not agreed to submit annual reports by January 31 of each year to the local licensing authority showing a detailed map of the boundaries of the common consumption area, the common consumption area's hours of operation, a list of attached licensed premises, a list of the directors and officers of the promotional association, security arrangements within the common consumption area, and any violation of this article 3 committed by an attached licensed premises;
- (iv) Failed to submit the report required by C.R.S. 44-3-301(11)(c)(II)(C) by January 31 of each year;
- (v) <u>Failed to establish that the licensed premises and common</u> <u>consumption area can be operated without violating applicable laws or</u> <u>creating a safety risk to the neighborhood;</u>
- (vi) <u>Failed to have at least two licensed premises attached to the common</u> <u>consumption area; or</u>
- (vii) <u>Failed to obtain or maintain a properly endorsed general liability and</u> <u>liquor liability insurance policy that meets the standard laid out in rule.</u>

# 22.5.3 Standards for Issuance

In deciding whether to issue a Common Consumption Area License, the Department shall consider evidence and testimony presented on each of the following:

- (i) <u>Good Cause. Under the D.R.M.C., the Director has the authority to</u> refuse to issue any common consumption area for good cause, subject to judicial review. "Good cause" means:
  - a. <u>The applicant or licensee has violated, does not meet, or has failed</u> to comply with any of the terms, conditions, or provisions of the <u>Colorado Liquor Code or any rules and regulations promulgated</u> <u>pursuant thereto, or this article II or any rules and regulations</u> <u>promulgated pursuant to thereto.</u>
  - b. <u>The applicant or licensee has failed to comply with any special</u> <u>terms or conditions that were placed on its license.</u>
  - c. <u>The applicant has not established the reasonable requirements of</u> <u>the neighborhood or the desires of its adult inhabitants by a</u> <u>preponderance of the evidence.</u>
  - d. <u>Evidence that the issuance of the license will adversely impact the health, welfare or public safety of the neighborhood in which the common consumption area is proposed to be located.</u>
- (ii) <u>Needs and Desires. The Department will consider whether the use is</u> <u>compatible with the reasonable requirements of the neighborhood or</u> <u>the desires of the adult inhabitants, as evidenced by petitions,</u> <u>remonstrances, or otherwise, and all other reasonable restrictions that</u> <u>the Department has placed or may place upon the license.</u>

- (iii) Additional Considerations:
  - a. <u>The applicant or licensee fails to establish and maintain evidence</u> <u>of community support.</u>
  - b. <u>The information and evidence available to and considered by the</u> <u>director fails to reasonably establish that the proposed procedures</u> <u>for security and admission control will prevent the consumption of</u> <u>alcohol beverages by underage persons.</u>
  - c. <u>The proposed common consumption area does not have adequate</u> <u>physical barriers to close the area to motor vehicle traffic and limit</u> <u>pedestrian access:</u>
  - d. <u>The promotional association board is not composed of at least one</u> (1) director from each liquor licensed premises attached to the common consumption area.
  - e. <u>The proposed premise of the common consumption area is not a</u> <u>single, contiguous area.</u>
  - f. <u>The proposed common consumption area overlaps with another</u> <u>common consumption area or any other liquor licensed premises</u>, <u>except the premises may overlap with a special event license</u> <u>operating in compliance with all state and local laws</u>.
  - g. <u>The promotional association fails to establish, by a preponderance</u> of the evidence, any of the qualifications for the license at a public hearing pursuant to section 6-14.
  - h. <u>The application fails to comply with all state and local laws, and</u> <u>any rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto.</u>

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# <u>ARTICLE XXIII – HEARINGS FOR RENEWAL OF COMMON CONSUMPTION</u> <u>AREA LICENSES</u>

# Section 23.1 Applicability

The provisions contained in Article I (General Provisions) shall apply to all Common Consumption Area License renewals conducted by the Department. However, Article II (Procedures Applicable Only to Needs & Desires Hearings) only applies to hearings for Common Consumption Area License renewals upon proper notice to the Applicant. The following provisions of this Article XXIII apply in addition to those provisions outlined in Article I.

# Section 23.2 Public Hearing Requirement

Public hearings for Common Consumption Area License renewals are not automatic. The Director may hold a hearing upon an Application for renewal of any Common Consumption Area License at the Director's discretion or upon relevant and substantial complaints. Complaints must be submitted in writing per the guidelines outlined in section 1.6.1.3.

# Section 23.3 Combined Hearings

In the event that a hearing is scheduled for a Common Consumption Area License renewal where a Promotional Association is also subject to decertification, the hearings for the common consumption area license and decertification may be combined into one hearing at the Director's discretion.

# Section 23.4 Pre-Hearing Procedures

# 23.4.1 Setting of the Hearing

**20.4.1.1** Scheduling - The director will issue an Order if a hearing is required and will notify the Licensee of the hearing at least ten (10) days before the hearing.

# 23.4.2 Posting Requirements

**20.4.2.1** Notice Posting – Required - The Licensee must post notice of the public hearing for ten (10) days or as otherwise provided in the Order. Public notice shall be given by the conspicuous posting of a sign at each participating business within and attached to the common consumption area.

### 23.5 Hearing Procedures

#### 23.5.1 Introduction of Evidence at Hearings

**23.5.1.1** Permissible Evidence - Presentation of evidence at the hearing will be limited to allegations concerning standards for non-renewal.

**23.5.1.2** Order of Presentation – Parties will first present evidence in support of the Order for Renewal Hearing. The Licensee will then have an opportunity to introduce evidence against the allegations contained in the Order. This order of presentation may be modified by the Hearing Officer at his or her discretion.

### 23.5.2 Presentation of Evidence and Testimony

**23.5.2.1** Qualified to Testify - Testimony and evidence for or against the Application may be considered from the following witnesses:

- (vii) <u>The Licensee;</u>
- (viii) <u>Neighborhood Witnesses;</u>
  - a. <u>The Applicant must present at least one Neighborhood Witness</u> (other than the Applicant) to provide testimony establishing the need and desire of the neighborhood for the license to issue. If authorized by the Department, Neighborhood Witness(es) may participate remotely through the use of a pre-filed affidavit, telephonic testimony, or virtual appearance facilitated by the Department.
  - b. <u>A maximum of three (3) Neighborhood Witnesses may testify at</u> <u>length in favor of the Application and three (3) may testify at</u> <u>length against the Application. This number does not include "en</u> <u>masse" (as a group) testimony.</u>
  - c. <u>The Hearing Officer may allow testimony at length from additional</u> <u>Neighborhood Witnesses if the Hearing Officer finds that the</u> <u>witness's interests are not adequately represented by one of the</u> <u>three (3) Neighborhood Witnesses, and if the testimony will not be</u> <u>cumulative or repetitive.</u>
  - d. Other Neighborhood Witnesses who attend the hearing may testify en masse either for or against the issuance of the license. En masse testimony shall be limited to a determination of whether the witnesses qualify as Parties in Interest and whether the witnesses support or oppose the issuance of the license. En masse witnesses may not be cross-examined, except as to their qualifications to testify. At the Hearing Officer's discretion, the Hearing Officer may take en masse testimony at any time during of the hearing.

(ix)<u>City Council Member;</u>

- a. <u>Any member of City Council, whose area of representation</u> <u>includes any part of the Designated Area, shall be allowed to</u> <u>testify in his or her official capacity regarding his or her position</u> <u>on the Application and/or to convey the position of his/her</u> <u>constituents.</u>
- b. <u>Testimony given by members of City Council will have no</u> evidentiary value. However, if a member of City Council resides within the Designated Area, he or she may testify en masse or at length as one of the three (3) witnesses allotted to either side.
- (x) Authorized RNO Representatives;
  - a. <u>Any RNO may submit testimony regarding its position on the</u> <u>Application and/or to convey the position of its members. Only</u> <u>one representative of each RNO may testify regarding the position</u> <u>taken by the organization on the Application.</u>
  - b. <u>If an RNO representative resides within the Designated Area, he or</u> <u>she may also testify en masse or at length as one of the three (3)</u> <u>witnesses allotted to either side.</u>
- (xi)A principal or representative of any school
  - a. <u>The principal or representative of a school located within five</u> <u>hundred (500) feet of the premises shall be allowed to testify in his</u> <u>or her official capacity regarding his or her position on the</u> <u>application and/or to convey the qualifications of the school. A</u> <u>principal or representative may cross-examine any witness.</u>
  - b. <u>If a principal or representative of any school resides within the</u> <u>Designated Area, he or she may also testify en masse or at length</u> <u>as one of the three (3) witnesses allotted to either side.</u>
- (xii) <u>Expert Witnesses.</u>
  - a. <u>A witness intending to give expert opinion testimony must first be</u> <u>qualified by the Hearing Officer as an expert at the hearing.</u>
  - b. <u>At least five (5) days prior to the hearing, parties shall file a list of any witnesses they intend to call as an expert witness. The list should include the expert's name, the expert's field of expertise, curriculum vitae, and any reports created by the expert or document used to support the expert's opinions.</u>

**23.5.2.2** Qualified to Cross-Examine – The City Attorney, the Applicant, and any Party in Interest as defined in Article I may cross-examine witnesses.

# 23.5.3 Standards for Non-Recertification

<u>The Director may refuse to recertify a promotional association upon a showing by</u> preponderance of the evidence that the promotional association:

(i) <u>Does not have a board of directors;</u>

- (ii) <u>Does not have at least one director from each licensed premises</u> <u>attached to the common consumption area on the board of directors;</u>
- (iii) <u>Has not agreed to submit annual reports by January 31 of each year to the local licensing authority showing a detailed map of the boundaries of the common consumption area, the common consumption area's hours of operation, a list of attached licensed premises, a list of the directors and officers of the promotional association, security arrangements within the common consumption area, and any violation of this article 3 committed by an attached licensed premises;</u>
- (iv) <u>Has failed to submit the report required by C.R.S. 44-3-301(11)(c)(II)(C) by January 31 of each year;</u>
- (v) <u>Has failed to establish that the licensed premises and common</u> <u>consumption area can be operated without violating applicable laws or</u> <u>creating a safety risk to the neighborhood;</u>
- (vi) <u>Has failed to have at least two licensed premises attached to the</u> <u>common consumption area; or</u>
- (vii) <u>Has failed to obtain or maintain a properly endorsed general liability</u> and liquor liability insurance policy that meets the standard laid out in <u>rule.</u>

# 23.5.4 Standards for Denial of Renewal

In deciding whether to deny the renewal of a Common Consumption Area License, the Department shall consider evidence and testimony presented on each of the following:

- (iv) <u>Good Cause. Under the D.R.M.C., the Director has the authority to</u> refuse to issue any common consumption area for good cause, subject to judicial review. "Good cause" means:
  - a. <u>The applicant or licensee has violated, does not meet, or has failed</u> to comply with any of the terms, conditions, or provisions of the <u>Colorado Liquor Code or any rules and regulations promulgated</u> <u>pursuant thereto, or this article II or any rules and regulations</u> <u>promulgated pursuant to thereto.</u>
  - b. <u>The applicant or licensee has failed to comply with any special</u> terms or conditions that were placed on its license.
  - c. <u>The applicant has not established the reasonable requirements of</u> <u>the neighborhood or the desires of its adult inhabitants by a</u> <u>preponderance of the evidence.</u>
  - d. <u>Evidence that the issuance of the license will adversely impact the health, welfare or public safety of the neighborhood in which the common consumption area is proposed to be located.</u>
- (v) <u>Needs and Desires. The Department will consider whether the use is</u> <u>compatible with the reasonable requirements of the neighborhood or</u> <u>the desires of the adult inhabitants, as evidenced by petitions,</u>

remonstrances, or otherwise, and all other reasonable restrictions that the Department has placed or may place upon the license.

- (vi) Additional Considerations:
  - a. <u>The applicant or licensee fails to establish and maintain evidence</u> <u>of community support.</u>
  - b. <u>The information and evidence available to and considered by the</u> <u>director fails to reasonably establish that the proposed procedures</u> <u>for security and admission control will prevent the consumption of</u> <u>alcohol beverages by underage persons.</u>
  - c. <u>The proposed common consumption area does not have adequate</u> <u>physical barriers to close the area to motor vehicle traffic and limit</u> <u>pedestrian access:</u>
  - d. <u>The promotional association board is not composed of at least one</u> (1) director from each liquor licensed premises attached to the common consumption area.
  - e. <u>The proposed premise of the common consumption area is not a</u> <u>single, contiguous area.</u>
  - f. <u>The proposed common consumption area overlaps with another</u> <u>common consumption area or any other liquor licensed premises</u>, <u>except the premises may overlap with a special event license</u> <u>operating in compliance with all state and local laws</u>.
  - g. <u>The promotional association fails to establish, by a preponderance</u> of the evidence, any of the qualifications for the license at a public hearing pursuant to section 6-14.
  - h. <u>The application fails to comply with all state and local laws, and</u> <u>any rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto.</u>

# 23.5.5 Failure to appear

Failure to appear at a scheduled hearing may result in the hearing proceeding on the scheduled date. Testimony and evidence may be taken regarding the allegations, and the license may be denied a renewal without further notice.

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## <u>ARTICLE XXIV - HEARINGS FOR CHANGE, ALTERATION, OR</u> MODIFICATION OF COMMON CONSUMPTION AREA PREMISES OR USAGE

## Section 24.1 Applicability

The provisions contained in Article I (General Provisions) and Article II (Procedures Applicable Only to Needs & Desires Hearings) shall apply to all hearings for a change, alteration, or modification of the licensed premises or usage of a common consumption area license conducted by the Department. The following provisions of Article XXIV apply in addition to those provisions outlined in Article I and Article II.

## Section 24.2 Public Hearing Requirement

## 24.2.1 Prior Approval Required

A Licensee must seek and obtain approval from the Department and the State Liquor Enforcement Division prior to any material or substantial modification of a licensed common consumption area. No licensed common consumption area shall be expanded, enlarged, or modified without the written approval of the Director.

### 24.2.2 Material or Substantial Modification – Determination

<u>The Director will determine whether a modification is material or substantial.</u> <u>Modifications that are considered "material and substantial" include, but are not</u> <u>limited to:</u>

- (i) Any increase in the total size or capacity of the common consumption area;
- (ii) <u>The sealing off, creation of, or relocation of a common entryway, doorway,</u> passage or other such means of public ingress and/or egress, when such common entryway, doorway, or passage alters or changes the area in which alcohol beverages will be consumed in the common consumption area;
- (iii)<u>The addition or deletion of a patio or outdoor area; or</u>
- (iv) Any significant change in the common consumption area that would affect the basic character of the premises or the physical structure detailed in the latest approved plans and specifications on file with the Department, including changes that would require additional permits or approvals by other city agencies, as well changes that would substantially affect the implementation of the site and security plan, the health and sanitation plan, or the transportation plan for the common consumption area.

## 24.2.3 Material or Substantial Modification – Hearing Required

A public hearing shall be required if the Director determines the proposed modification is material and substantial.

## Section 24.3 Pre-Hearing Procedures

## 24.3.1 Posting Requirements

Applicant must post notice of the public hearing at the proposed location for a minimum of thirty (30) days or as otherwise provided in the Order. Public notice shall be given by the conspicuous posting of a sign at each participating business within and attached to the common consumption area.

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