

LIQUOR LICENSE REVIEW

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DATE: June 13, 2016

This item is tentatively scheduled to be heard in four to six weeks.

PLEASE EMAIL YOUR RESPONSE BY: July 27, 2016, to Erica Major, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee Clerk.

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Applicant Name: Future Bars Group
The Lark Bar
and Business Name: (29-3rd Street)
Applicant Address: 29-3rd Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
and Phone No. (415) 713-8182

PLANNING COMMENTS: Approval Denial

POLICE COMMENTS: Approval Denial

THE LARK BAR

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June 8, 2016

Clerk of the Board,
San Francisco Board of Supervisors,
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Liquor License "PCN" Request - Dave's Bar & Deli License Transfer to Lark Bar
Future Bars Group
dba Destination Bars Inc, The Lark Bar
29 Third Street, San Francisco, CA94103

Dear Deputy Clerk:

The purpose of this letter is to respectfully request to be placed on the Board's calendar for Public Convenience and Necessity approval with regard to our pending application to transfer and exchange an existing Type 47 license for a Type 48 On-Sale General Public Premise license at the same location. We would like to explain our motivation and intent with regard to this transfer and exchange.

Our company, known as the Future Bars Group, operates such bars as Swig, Bourbon & Branch, Tradition, Rickhouse, Cask Stores and Local Edition. We recently agreed to purchase Dave's Bar & Deli at 29 Third Street at Market St. Dave's Bar was operated at this same location by the same owner, Dave Supple, for 28 years with a Type 47 ABC License. Upon the filing of the initial license transfer application, we were informed by the ABC that the operation of the business did not meet all the requirements of a Type 47 license, as the business had operated more like a bar rather than as a bona fide restaurant with a full kitchen and food service capabilities. There is only a small deli style kitchen preparation area at this location, and it is physically impossible to add a full kitchen with an extraction hood, given the small size of the bar area which is under 1,000 square feet. A Type 48 license would be a more appropriate license for this operation and would match the type of operation we propose for The Lark Bar.

For these reasons, we have applied to transfer and exchange the existing Type 47 for a Type 48 so that we may be in compliance with the ABC rules. We would continue to offer food from the small deli kitchen located inside the bar, even though food service is not required with a Type 48 License. The Type 48 License would also prohibit any persons under 21 years to be allowed on the premises. This location has served the convenience of locals and visitors for 28 years, and we hope to continue to offer the Lark Bar as a convenient option for many years to come.

Just as it was with the previous Dave's Bar, our Lark Bar will continue to operate as a neighborhood sports bar. There will not be any live entertainment offered.

Our typical hours of operation are 11:00 am to 2:00 am, 7 days per week. We would like to continue the option of showing World Cup Soccer, European Soccer and the Olympics on occasions to accommodate earlier time zones prior to 11am, but not before 6am.

Our 15 years of responsibly operating licensed establishments in San Francisco has allowed us to cultivate community support for this change. We will continue to vigilantly monitor the surrounding area to ensure the safety of our business and customers at all times and we will not serve obviously intoxicated people. We already have two licensed locations in the same building, namely Cask on Third, and Local Edition, so we are quite well known in the neighborhood.

As part of the license transfer process we held an open house at the bar to outline our changes, and every resident within 1000 feet of the address was informed of our proposed license change. There were no protests received by the ABC pertaining to the license transfer.

We seek the Board of Supervisor's affirmative ruling that our application serves the public convenience and necessity of our City.

If you have any questions, please call me at 415-713- 8182. for approval to proceed with Cask.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brian Sheehy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Brian Sheehy
President, Future Bars Group

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