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## LIQUOR LICENSE PUBLIC CONVENIENCE OR NECESSITY REFERRAL

**TO:** Planning Department  
Attn: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** April 13, 2022  
**AP Block/Lot Nos.:** 065 / 048  
**Zoning:** North Beach NCD  
**Quad:** NE Planning Team  
**Record No.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TO:** Police Department  
Joel Salmonson  
Phone No. (415) 553-1115

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Please submit your response within three weeks. The Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee will tentatively schedule the PC or N hearing for the regular meeting of June 9, 2022.

**PLEASE EMAIL YOUR RESPONSE by Wednesday, June 1, 2022, to:**  
Alisa Somera, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee Clerk.  
[alisa.somera@sfgov.org](mailto:alisa.somera@sfgov.org) ~ (415) 554-7711

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**Applicant name:** THELOSTCHURCH.ORG, INC  
**Business name:** THELOSTCHURCH.ORG, INC  
**Application address:** 665 Chestnut Street, San Francisco, CA 94133  
**Applicant contact info:** Brett Cline, Executive Director  
65 Capp Street, San Francisco, CA 94103  
[janitor@thelostchurch.org](mailto:janitor@thelostchurch.org)

**PLANNING REVIEW:**  Approval  Denial

Planning Staff Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please add comments on a trailing page.)

**POLICE REVIEW:**  Approval  Denial  
(Please add comments in a trailing report.)

## Letter for Public Convenience or Necessity Determination

March 12, 2022

THELOSTCHURCH.ORG, INC

Premises:

665 Chestnut,

San Francisco, CA 94133

Mailing Address:

65 Capp St.

San Francisco, CA 94103

Brett Cline- Executive Director

415.425.3123

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This letter is a request for a PC or N determination for a new Type 64 Liquor License for THELOSTCHURCH.ORG, INC's non-profit theater at 665 Chestnut. The proposed hours of operation for this theater are 6:30pm-11:30pm 7 days a week. Their application was received by the ABC on March 29th, 2022; and the Notification poster was posted the same day in the window of the entrance to 665 Chestnut. On March 7th, 2022 Radius Services was employed for the neighborhood notification mailers, which are expected to go out on March 15th. The Lost Church's 99 seat theater at 665 Chestnut will serve up and coming artists and performers, as well as the local community; by hosting acoustic performances of magic, music, poetry, comedy and local theater. Though there are far more Artists and Performers who can use a 99 seat theater than a 499 seat theater, these are the hardest to keep alive due to the extensive permitting and overhead of running a theater; but with limited ticket sale revenue. The Type 64 Liquor License is necessary financially that the small theater may survive, and that the paying audiences might enjoy a beverage before the show, during intermission and possibly after the show; which adds to their overall experience of a night of acoustic entertainment. This letter is necessary due to the higher crime rate of North Beach, however there are numerous performance spaces in the neighboring blocks such as Cobb's Comedy Club, and Bimbo's 365 who cater to larger audiences and performers. For these reasons we are asking for a Determination of Public Convenience or Necessity be issued.

Sincerely,



Brett Cline

Executive Director

**INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS -**

**SECTION 23958.4 B&P**

- Instructions This form is to be used for all applications for original issuance or premises to premises transfer of licenses.
- Part 1 is to be completed by an ABC employee, given to applicant with pre-application package, with copy retained in holding file or applicant's district file.
  - Part 2 is to be completed by the applicant, and returned to ABC.
  - Part 3 is to be completed by the local governing body or its designated subordinate officer or body, and returned to ABC.

**PART 1 - TO BE COMPLETED BY ABC**

1. APPLICANT'S NAME

THELOSTCHURCH.ORG INC.

2. PREMISES ADDRESS (Street number and name, city, zip code)

665 CHESTNUT ST SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94133-2364

3. LICENSE TYPE

64

4. TYPE OF BUSINESS

- |   |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Full Service Restaurant      | <input type="checkbox"/> Hofbrau/Cafeteria  | <input type="checkbox"/> Cocktail Lounge     | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Club      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deli or Specialty Restaurant | <input type="checkbox"/> Comedy Club        | <input type="checkbox"/> Night Club          | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Club     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cafe/Coffee Shop             | <input type="checkbox"/> Brew Pub           | <input type="checkbox"/> Tavern: Beer        | <input type="checkbox"/> Fraternal Club    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bed & Breakfast:             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Theater | <input type="checkbox"/> Tavern: Beer & Wine | <input type="checkbox"/> Wine Tasting Room |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wine only                    | <input type="checkbox"/> All                |  |  |
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|---|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Supermarket        | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Store  | <input type="checkbox"/> Service Station               | <input type="checkbox"/> Swap Meet/Flea Market |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liquor Store       | <input type="checkbox"/> Department Store  | <input type="checkbox"/> Convenience Market            | <input type="checkbox"/> Drive-in Dairy        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug/Variety Store | <input type="checkbox"/> Florist/Gift Shop | <input type="checkbox"/> Convenience Market w/Gasoline |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other - describe:  |  |  |  |

5. COUNTY POPULATION

2,214/875,010

6. TOTAL NUMBER OF LICENSES IN COUNTY

On-Sale  Off-Sale

7. RATIO OF LICENSES TO POPULATION IN COUNTY

293  On-Sale  Off-Sale

8. CENSUS TRACT NUMBER

104.01

9. NO. OF LICENSES ALLOWED IN CENSUS TRACT

7  On-Sale  Off-Sale

10. NO. OF LICENSES EXISTING IN CENSUS TRACT

3  On-Sale  Off-Sale

11. IS THE ABOVE CENSUS TRACT OVERCONCENTRATED WITH LICENSES? (i.e., does the ratio of licenses to population in the census tract exceed the ratio of licenses to population for the entire county?)

- Yes, the number of existing licenses exceeds the number allowed
- No, the number of existing licenses is lower than the number allowed

12. DOES LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MAINTAIN CRIME STATISTICS?

- Yes (Go to Item #13)  No (Go to Item #20)

13. CRIME REPORTING DISTRICT NUMBER

114

14. TOTAL NUMBER OF REPORTING DISTRICTS

654

15. TOTAL NUMBER OF OFFENSES IN ALL REPORTING DISTRICTS

55,022

16. AVERAGE NO. OF OFFENSES PER DISTRICT

84.13

17. 120% OF AVERAGE NUMBER OF OFFENSES

100.8

18. TOTAL NUMBER OF OFFENSES IN REPORTING DISTRICT

195

19. IS THE PREMISES LOCATED IN A HIGH CRIME REPORTING DISTRICT? (i.e., has a 20% greater number of reported crimes than the average number of reported crimes as determined from all crime reporting districts within the jurisdiction of the local law enforcement agency)

- Yes, the total number of offenses in the reporting district equals or exceeds the total number in item #17
- No, the total number of offenses in the reporting district is lower than the total number in item #17

20. CHECK THE BOX THAT APPLIES (check only one box)

- a. If "No" is checked in both item #11 and item #19, Section 23958.4 B&P does not apply to this application, and no additional information will be needed on this issue. Advise the applicant to bring this completed form to ABC when filing the application.
- b. If "Yes" is checked in either item #11 or item #19, and the applicant is applying for a non-retail license, a retail bona fide public eating place license, a retail license issued for a hotel, motel or other lodging establishment as defined in Section 25503.16(b) B&P, or a retail license issued in conjunction with a beer manufacturer's license, or winegrower's license, advise the applicant to complete Section 2 and bring the completed form to ABC when filing the application or as soon as possible thereafter.
- c. If "Yes" is checked in either item #11 or item #19, and the applicant is applying for an off-sale beer and wine license, an off-sale general license, an on-sale beer license, an on-sale beer and wine (public premises) license, or an on-sale general (public premises) license, advise the applicant to take this form to the local governing body, or its designated subordinate officer or body to have them complete Section 3. The completed form will need to be provided to ABC in order to process the application.

Governing Body/Designated Subordinate Name: Board of Supervisors

**FOR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY**

PREPARED BY (Name of Department Employee)

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