



**HISTORY OF LOCATION**

The hotel has operated and has held an On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class B license at this location since its remodeling and renovation in 2006. Formerly, it was Fairmont Hotel since at least 1992 and held a hotel license without liquor.

**APPLICANT**

The applicant is Ashford TRS Chambers LLC, a Delaware organization authorized to transact business in Minnesota on June 10, 2015, under Chapter 322B (Charter Number 829491800064) and has the required restriction on the transfer of shares. The majority ownership of Applicant is ultimately held by, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc., a publicly traded corporation.

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>DOB</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>
Deric Eubanks	8/1/75	President

**MANAGER**

The complex director of operations is Daniel DeDecker. Mr. DeDecker has been employed in the food/lodging and alcohol service industry for twenty years. He has been managing the food and alcohol service at this hotel since 2010. He has passed the criminal background check.

**POLICE REVIEW**

Police Licensing and this inspector have reviewed the expenses and source of funds reported in this application. The applicant has provided documentation showing adequate legal and traceable funding for this venture and has passed the criminal background check. The applicant has also undergone a security review with the First Precinct of the Minneapolis Police Department.

**PREMISES**

The licensed premises will consist of the same physical space as the currently licensed establishment. The hotel consists of 60 guest rooms on five floors. There are banquet/meeting rooms and a gallery at street level.

The square footage for the hotel is 78,145.

**BUSINESS PLAN/OPERATIONS**

The applicant plans to operate in the same manner as the previous licensee. Entertainment will not exceed what is allowed by the license class B.

The hotel will provide on-sale alcohol service via minibars in guest rooms, as allowed and approved by the State Alcohol & Gambling Enforcement Division. Room service will be provided by Marin. The applicant indicates that it will not sponsor sports teams, offer charitable gambling or offer amusement devices on the premises.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Business Licenses recommends approving this application for an On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class B License for Le Meridien Chambers Minneapolis.