

**LICENSES AND CONSUMER SERVICES
LICENSE INSPECTOR'S REPORT**

License Number: L200-50198

Police File Number: 13865

Date of Application: July 19, 2016

Inspector: Leanne Selander, 612-673-3910

Applicant/Legal Entity: Star Investments Inc.

DBA/Trade Name: Bullwinkle's Saloon & Fun Bar

Complete Address: 1429 Washington Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55454

License Requested: On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class B

Current License at Location: None

License History of Location: From at least 1977 to 2014 an On-Sale, Class C-2 liquor licensee operated at this location. On Oct. 22, 2014, the previous owner withdrew his license, and the establishment has been closed ever since.

Purpose of Application: To obtain an On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class B license as a new proprietor.

Responsible person within 75 miles of Minneapolis City Hall: Cory M. Couillard

Public Hearing Required: Yes

Neighborhood/Ward: Cedar Riverside/ 6

Zoning: C3A – PO - UA - This is a permitted use in the Community Activity, Pedestrian Overlay, and University Area Districts

7 acre requirement: Met

Off-Street Parking: The Office of the Zoning Administrator has determined that zero spaces are required to be provided on site.

Seating: Inside: 96 Outside: NA

Fire Occupancy: Inside: 254 Maximum Outside Capacity: NA

Hours of Operation: 8:00 AM - 2:00 AM daily

Food Service Requirement: This establishment meets the minimum food service requirements set forth in MCO 360.65.

Alcohol Server Training: Training will be provided by Boyd and Associates.

Metropolitan Council Service Availability Charges: In a SAC determination letter dated July 14, 2016, it was determined that three SAC units are required for this project. SAC charges have not been paid at the time of this report but the landlord and general manager have stated that they intend to.

Applicant

The applicant is Star Investments Inc., a Minnesota corporation, formed on Sept. 16, 2013, under Chapter 302A (File Number 700360900025), having the required restriction on the transfer of shares, and has the following owners:

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Shares</u>
Raj B. Singh	2/10/85	President and CEO	38%
Jai Davinder Singh	10/8/88	Vice President	37%
Cory Couillard	2/25/84	General Manager	25%

Raj and Jai Singh do not have extensive experience in owning and operating restaurants and liquor establishments and will not be a part of day-to-day operations. Cory Couillard has experience in liquor industry management, the details of which are below. All applicants meet minimum requirements including criminal background checks.

Manager

The general manager will be Cory Couillard. Mr. Couillard has 8 and 1/2 years' experience in the food, entertainment and alcohol service industry, at such places as Dancing Ganisha, Lounge, Element and RnC Productions.

Premises

Interior

The new proprietor will be occupying the same space as the previous licensee. The bar is located on the corner of Washington Ave S. and Cedar in the Seven Corners area of the West Bank. The square footage of premises is 2304, with 1500 dedicated to business use, which includes the first floor and the mezzanine level on the second floor. The Fire Occupancy for the 1st floor is 166 and 88 for the mezzanine. Seating for 96 patrons will be at tables, booths and a bar. The kitchen and restrooms are located on the main floor. The lower level is for packaged storage. The space is compact and contiguous.

Exterior

The applicant intends to apply for a sidewalk café license at a later date.

Business Plan/Operations

Bullwinkle's Saloon & Fun Bar plans to operate as a bar/restaurant offering bands, DJ's, dancing, food and drink.

All employees will be required to complete a comprehensive alcohol compliance training program and pass an online safe-serve practice test. The training program will be conducted annually. Management will also conduct their own in-house compliance checks. All guests requesting an alcoholic beverage will be required to provide ID's. On weekends, event nights, or busy nights a dedicated security guard will check ID's at the door. In addition, a security guard will monitor and walk the premises, both inside and outside.

Entertainment will change nightly and consist of rock and country bands, Latin and top-40 karaoke, DJ's playing a variety of types of music, prerecorded DJ mix, and trivia. The stage where live entertainment is provided is located far from the doors, which will be kept closed to ensure sounds stay inside. Menu items include hotdogs, sandwiches, burgers, pizza, chips, and popcorn. Litter will be removed on a daily basis on and within 100 feet of the premises. There will be no sports sponsorships or charitable gambling.

License Conditions

None at this time.

Public Hearing Summary

The public hearing is scheduled for August 15th, 2016 at the Community Development & Regulatory Services meeting. Notices will be mailed to residents and property owners within 600 feet of the premises within ten days of the hearing, and provided via email to the council member, the neighborhood and business associations, and posted at large multiple unit residences within 600 feet.

Police Review

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

Recommendation

The Licenses and Consumer Services Division recommends approving this application for an On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class B license.