

MEMORANDUM

Memo # 14-025-01

TO: Chief Kevin Treadway
FROM: Sgt. Matt Wright
DATE: March 17, 2014
REF Series 6 Liquor License Person and Location Transfer for “Porky’s”

On February 20, 2014, I initiated an investigation into an application for a series 06 (bar) liquor license person to person and location transfer. The liquor license application has been filed by Danny Thomas, the listed agent on behalf of, Stefanie Kristin Patel and Minesh Patel owners of Porky’s Pub. Danny is the listed agent for administrative purposes only and has no responsibility for the day to day operations of the business. The listed manager on the application is Eric Busam. Prior to completing the background investigation I received an amendment to this application. The amendment removed Minesh Patel from the LLC resulting in Stefanie Patel being the sole owner on the application.

Porky’s Pub is located 2285 E. Butler Ave in Flagstaff. The bar/restaurant location is currently operating as it has for some time under a series 12 restaurant license. The series 12 license will become inactive upon approval of the series 6 license. The license number being applied for is 06030011 a full bar license.

I conducted a query through local systems and public access on Danny Thomas, Stefanie Patel and Eric Busam. No derogatory records were located for Danny Thomas or Stefanie Patel. Eric Busam was found to have one arrest of which he self-reported. The arrest was for aggravated harassment of which he plead guilty to. Eric completed his court ordered probation resulting in the charge being reduced to a misdemeanor. No liquor violations have been recorded by the Department of Liquor License and Control at Porky’s.

In speaking with Danny Thomas I confirmed Stefanie Patel had purchased the series 6 license from Diana Caruthers Mercer the owner of the Empire House Motel located at 100 S. Lake Powell Blvd in Page, Arizona. Stefanie and Eric did provide proof they have completed the mandatory liquor law training courses. Stefanie indicated she had no plans to change her business practices stating the restaurant would continue to operate. The purchase of the series 6 license allows Stefanie to operate as a full bar. The series 6 license alleviates the need for Stefanie from having to maintain at least 40 percent of her gross profit be from the sale of food as dictated under a series 12 (restaurant license).

I confirmed the bar is outside of 300 feet from any school or church. As a result of the investigation, I can find no reason to oppose the series 6 application for person and location transfer. Recommendation to council would be for approval.

