

**MEMORANDUM**

**Memo # 14-019-01**

**TO: Chief Kevin Treadway**

**FROM: Sgt. Matt Wright**

**DATE: February 11, 2014**

**REF Series 6 Liquor License Person to Person Transfer for “Dorado’s”**

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On January 21, 2014, I initiated an investigation into an application for a series 06 (bar) liquor license person to person transfer. The liquor license application has been filed by Danny Thomas, the listed agent on behalf of, Bryan Drew Gruver, owner of Dorado’s. Danny Thomas is the listed agent for administrative purposes only and has no responsibility for the day to day operations of the business. Dorado’s is located at 103 North Leroux St., in downtown Flagstaff. The bar location is currently operating as it has under the name of San Felipe’s. This will change by March 1, 2014, when it will become “Dorado’s”. The license number being applied for is 06030008 a full bar license.

I conducted a query through local systems and public access on Danny Thomas and Bryan Gruver. No derogatory records were located for Danny Thomas or Bryan Gruver. Bryan self-reported six (6) liquor violations against liquor licenses he has part ownership of dating back to 2010. Bryan maintained he was only a financial partner and was not responsible for the day to day operations when these violations occurred. I spoke with Bryan who stated he was part owner of San Felipe’s in Flagstaff from 2000 to 2012, when the bar was sold without his knowledge. Bryan said he also has partial ownership of a series 6 license at a bar in Tempe and a restaurant in Scottsdale but he does not have any operational control of either of the businesses. Bryan reported he has been responsible for two liquor violations that were received in 2000 and 2003 while running San Felipe’s in Flagstaff. Bryan does not have any outstanding fines with the department of liquor.

In speaking with Bryan Gruver I confirmed Bryan had purchased the bar and the liquor license at 103 N. Leroux St., and now has 100 percent ownership. Bryan said he is running the bar with the name of San Felipe’s until the liquor license is transferred. Bryan said the bar name will change to Dorado’s by March 1, 2014. Bryan said he is working on hiring managers and will fill out the appropriate paperwork for the DLLC when the hiring is complete. Bryan said and proved he had attended the mandatory liquor law training courses.

I confirmed the bar is outside 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 to person transfer. Recommendation to council would be for approval.