

## MEMORANDUM

Memo # 16-018-01

**TO:** Chief Kevin Treadway

**FROM:** Sgt. Matt Wright

**DATE:** March 2, 2016

**RE:** LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION – Person to Person and location transfer – Series 6- for O-Sushi

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On March 2, 2016, I initiated an investigation into an application for a series 6 (bar) liquor license filed by Danny Thomas (agent), James Craven, Phuengboon Kraisorn, Charlie Chortabtim, and Nipon Trerattanapun (controlling persons). James Craven, Phuengboon Kraisorn, Charlie Chortabtim, and Nipon Trerattanapun are the owners of O-Sushi a brand new business located at 106 N San Francisco in Downtown Flagstaff. This is an application for a series 6 person to person and location transfer for a full bar license #06030055. This license is a quota license and for sale on the open market. This license was previously owned by James Mansene the owner of the Mad Italian, previously located at 101 S. San Francisco.

I conducted a query through local systems and public access on James Craven, Phuengboon Kraisorn, Charlie Chortabtim, and Nipon Trerattanapun. I found James Craven received one liquor law violation in the last ten (10) years. This violation was in 2007 for having an underage person on premises without a parent. It should be noted that James owns and operates the liquor license at the Monte Vista where this violation occurred. I found Kraisorn Phuengboon has a liquor license in his name which is a series 12 for a restaurant next door to O-Sushi called PA.TO.TAI. No liquor violations were found for Kraisorn Phuengboon. No liquor or other criminal violations could be located for Charlie Chortabtim, or Nipon Trerattanapun.

I spoke with Danny Thomas the agent on the license for administrative purposes only. Danny stated James Craven, Phuengboon Kraisorn, Charlie Chortabtim, and Nipon Trerattanapun would be assisting in the day to day operation of the restaurant. Danny said they have not yet completed the mandatory liquor law training course but would ensure they did prior to the application being submitted to the state. Danny said the new restaurant is under renovations and would open as soon as they could. Danny said the new owners have no intention of running the business as a bar/nightclub and confirmed they purchased the series 6 license as an investment. Danny indicated the owners plan on operating a sushi style restaurant only and they have no intentions of participating in Tequila Sunrise or similar events. The licensed location is outside of 300 feet from a church or a school.

As a result of this investigation, a recommendation to Council would be for approval.