

## City of Apache Junction

Home of the Superstition Mountains

July 2, 2024

MEMORANDUM TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH: BRYANT POWELL, CITY MANAGER

JENNIFER PENA, CITY CLERK

FROM: EVIE MCKINNEY, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR A SERIES 12 RESTAURANT LIQUOR

LICENSE FOR MAGGIE'S LOUNGE

An application for a Series 12 Restaurant Liquor License has been submitted by Penie Porter with Maggie's Lounge, located at 100 N. Plaza Drive, Apache Junction, AZ, 85120.

The Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control received the application on May 31, 2024, and the Apache Junction City Clerk's Office received the application from them on June 3, 2024. The Notice of Public Hearing was posted at the premises on June 4, 2024, which allowed for the 20-day Notice as required by state law.

The applicant was notified by first class mail and e-mail of the public hearing date and was encouraged to attend to address any questions council may have.

Correspondence related to inspections of the premises for safety and code compliant matters have been received from the Apache Junction Police Department, Building and Safety Division, Planning and Zoning Department, and the Superstition Fire and Medical District. All four entities find compliance with the inspection requirements and recommend approval. Their responses are attached in Legistar for your review.

Development Services added that this applicant has a current building permit in process for tenant improvements to convert a previous health food store into a restaurant. The property is zoned B-3, which allows restaurants and bars outright. The liquor license application can go through the process, but until the business is complete with the renovation and an approved inspection and Certificate of Occupancy have been granted, no business will be allowed at the location.

The city council may now make a recommendation of approval or denial to the Arizona State Liquor Licenses and Control on this application. This recommendation must take place within sixty (60) days of the filing of the application.