

Apache Junction Police Department Interdepartmental Memo



DATE:

5/8/2018

TO:

Captain Mullender

FROM:

Lieutenant Parker

SUBJECT:

Mirage Sports Grill, Premise Liquor Inspection

I conducted a liquor and business inspection of the Mirage Sports Grill of 725 West Apache Trail #2A. The inspection occurred on 5/8/2018. This inspection was in regards of the renewal of an Off Track Parimutuel Wagering Permit submitted by Turf Paradise.

The business entry doors are on the north wall facing the parking lot. The east wall has an entry/exit door to a fenced in patio area designed for smokers. There is an additional emergency exit door to the rear of the establishment. At the time of my inspection the business was open and several patrons were inside. The product placement of liquor and beer were within the designated secured areas and outside of immediate reach of customers. The gaming devices were also outside the reach of customers with the exception of the self-help kiosk. As I conducted the inspection I noticed the floor layout has remained the same with no significant changes from my previous inspection. At the time of my onsite inspection I did not find any liquor or gaming violations. I spoke with the Turf Paradise employee, Ms. Heather McCreery (DOB: 7/20/77), who was selling race tickets within the designated area within the Mirage Sports Grill. She advised she works there about 20 hours a week while racing occurs. Neither McCreery or the applicant Mr. David Johnson, agent and assistant General Manager for Turf Paradise, have any significant contact with the Apache Junction Police Department

The inspection included locating the nearest schools, daycare and religious facilities. They are as follows:

- The nearest church is: Family of Faith Bible Church at 555 West Apache Trail (structure to structure is 48 feet).
 - The liquor license issued is a Restaurant License to sell alcohol and spirituous liquor.
 Due to the type of license any renewal could be exempt from the 300 feet law in ARS 4-207 which states the restrictions on licensing premises near school or church buildings.
- The nearest school is:

To the west: Apache Trail High School at 945 W. Apache Trail outside the 300 feet requirement.

Mirage Sports Grill has been an established business within the city for several years now without a public concern or violations. This police department does not object in approving the Permit to Operate Additional Wagering providing all other statutory requirements per the City of Apache Junction, County of Pinal, and State of Arizona are met.