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## Apache Junction Police Department Interdepartmental Memo

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DATE: 1/19/2021

TO: Ms. Jill Bright, Deputy City Clerk

FROM: Lieutenant Parker

SUBJECT: Captains, Premise Liquor Inspection

At your request, I conducted a liquor and business inspection of the Captain's Food and Spirit of 300 West Apache Trail Suite 118 as they are requesting a premise extension into the parking lot of their current location due to COVID. The inspection occurred on 1/19/2021.

The main business entry doors are to the east facing the parking lot. A second rear door to the west is also available and utilized by customers that goes to a rear parking lot. At the time of my inspection it was daylight, the business was open, and patrons were inside.

Due to this being an extension of premises request into the east (main) parking lot, I focused this inspection to their request. I noticed there is limited lightening within the exterior of the building and parking lot. The parking lot itself has multiple pot holes and concerns that can create a potential concern with vehicle operators and contribute to potential vehicle equipment failure claims, such as stopping. The parking lot also is often used, not as it is intended, as a by-pass for commuters traveling from or to Plaza drive and other businesses within the complex and its surroundings.

Captain's Food & Spirit request is to place PVP piping and orange snow type fences held by buckets to secure off approximately four (4) parking spaces directly in front of the established business. The materials are designed to be temporarily and provide no protection for customers or employees who may be using this area if approved. Therefore, from a public safety concern the materials are not sufficient. Adding additional lightening and dedicated designed pollards in and around the designated area should be addressed prior to approving the extension.

The licensee, Ms. Mary LeDoux (DOB: 4/2/53), has had no 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.
- The nearest school is:
- To the west: Apache Trail High School at 945 W. Apache Trail outside the 300 feet requirement.
- Both are outside the 300 feet law in ARS 4-207 from school or church buildings.
- There was one liquor violation the Arizona Department of Liquor and License Control found as the establishment was found in violation of the Governor's Order 2020-43 on June 15, 2020.

Captain's Food & Spirits has been an established business within the city for several years now without public concern or violations other than the one on June 15, 2020. Therefore, this police department has concerns in approving the Extension of Premises Patio Permit as follows:

1. The desired location is within a large parking with pot holes and known for vehicle travel.
2. The materials for proposed usage for the extension is designed to be temporary and is not designed to protect customers or employees.
3. Placing pollards or decorated concrete barriers should be considered
4. Additional exterior lightening for the dedicated area must occur.
5. Captain's Food & Spirit remains in compliance with all Governor Executive Orders.

Should these concerns be addressed, the police department will support the extension of premises request providing all other statutory requirements per the City of Apache Junction, County of Pinal, and State of Arizona are met.