

Good Neighbors Report

To: Public Safety and Licensing Committee
From: Attorney Nhu H. Arn
RE: Ellsworth Warren Enterprise, LLC., dba Dragon Pit BBQ
322 Sixth Street
Meeting date: Tuesday, October 22, 2024
Departments: Health, Building, City Development and Attorney

License(s) requested: Class “B” (beer) and “Class B” (intoxicating liquor) licenses

Owner/agent experience. Mr. Holiday, the owner, has approximately twenty years of experience in this industry, including two years of bartending at the Brass Monkey. He will lead the kitchen as chef. Ms. Rybarik is an accountant by trade but has some background experience in dealing with alcohol distributors. She will manage the restaurant and act as agent for the alcohol license.

Restaurant operation. This establishment will operate primarily as a restaurant and the kitchen will remain open whenever the establishment is operating. The restaurant will typically close at 7:00 p.m. or 8:00 p.m. each night, although the applicant is requesting extended hours up through midnight to accommodate the occasional special event or party rental.

Health and building departments. Both departments have signed off and the restaurant has been operating for approximately two weeks, serving both breakfast and lunch. They hope to start serving alcohol as soon as they are licensed.

Changes to the application. The hours of operation have been amended to close at midnight every day of the week, with the condition that they operate as a restaurant by serving food whenever the establishment is open.

Police Department issues. Sgt. Thillemann was unable to attend the good neighbors meeting but may provide additional information to the committee during its meeting.

Overall Summary

Although Dragon Pit BBQ is now operating out of this location, they have been in business since 2020. Given the lack of nuisance issues associated with the business and the extensive experience of both owner and agent, staff does not have any concerns to report.