

## Good Neighbors Report

To: PS&L Committee  
From: Attorney Nhu H. Arn  
RE: Blueberry Hilltop Café, LLC., Lisa Ramirez, Agent/Owner  
Meeting date: Monday, July 3, 2023  
Departments: Attorney, Building, Health, and Police

License(s) requested: Class "B" and "Class C" license (beer and wine)

### **Topics Discussed**

Agent/manager experience. Mrs. Ramirez owned and operated Honey B's in Caledonia with her husband from 2011 to 2018. Mrs. Ramirez held an operator's license and served alcohol during that time. For the past three years, she has worked at Wendy's seasonally. Mrs. Ramirez states she will be managing this business herself, with her husband working mostly out of the kitchen.

Health and building departments. Mrs. Ramirez is renovating this former office space into a restaurant/diner. She is working with both departments to obtain a restaurant license and occupancy permit for her restaurant and hopes to be open and operating by mid-August, at the latest.

Hours of operation. Mrs. Ramirez was informed that no Class "B" premises may sell alcohol before 6:00 a.m., even though the restaurant itself may serve food during that time. For purposes of the alcohol license only, she requested that the hours of operation be amended to state as follows: Saturday through Thursday 6:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Friday 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Police department issues. Sgt. Legath stated that there is no history of nuisance calls in this general area. He encouraged Mrs. Ramirez to call the police department whenever she needs assistance.

### **Overall summary**

Mrs. Ramirez intends to operate a full service restaurant with the sale of beer and wine. In the future, she hopes to add a liquor license in order to serve Bloody Marys with breakfast. She has ample experience managing her own restaurant and is familiar with the alcohol industry. Given the lack of nuisance issues in this general area, staff has no concerns to report.