

Good Neighbors Report

To: PS&L Committee

RE: **Kafana, LLC at 3001 Douglas Avenue**
Slobodan "Danny" Lazarevic, Owner
Biljana Kirilov, Agent

Meeting date: Thursday, August 1, 2019

PS&L agenda date: Tuesday, August 13, 2019

Present dept's: Building, Health, Police, Fire, City Attorney

License requested: Reserve "CLASS B"

Topics discussed:

- **Conditional grant:** Explained that the license, if granted, may be conditionally granted until construction is complete and business is operating.
- **Background check:** The background check for Mr. Slobodan was provided subsequent to the Good Neighbors Meeting, and it reflects the following convictions for Mr. Lazarevic:

- 06/14/04: OWI-2nd offense
- 06/14/04: Carrying a concealed weapon
- 05/11/01: OWI-1st offense
- 09/19/91: Violate harassment restraining order
- 09/19/91: Unlawful use of telephone to threaten harm

Mr. Slobodan's background was not discussed at the Good Neighbors Meeting. Mr. Slobodan failed to disclose prior convictions as well as alcohol-related traffic offenses on his application and it further states in the business plan that he has no criminal record. Absent a finding of good cause, one (or five) false statement(s) shall deem the applicant disqualified.

- **RFD:** Since the Good Neighbors Meeting, Lt. Moss has inspected the premises and found no fire/safety issues there.
- **General:** Suggested that the applicant fully complete the application (e.g. provide floor plan that indicates where alcohol will be stored and served, consider drink specials).

Overall summary:

Kafana, LLC, owned by Mr. Slobodan Lazarevic (Ms. Biljana Kirilov as agent), is seeking a reserve "Class B" liquor license. Mr. Lazarevic has owned and operated Neighborhood Bar located at 2002 Erie Street since 1998, which gives him substantial experience in the industry. Mentioned at the meeting is Mr. Lazarevic's reputation for allowing patrons to smoke within

Neighborhood Bar, as he has received multiple citations for this behavior. The concern is that a lackadaisical approach to smoking regulations will be repeated at Kafana.

Ms. Kirilov's prior employment-related experience is unknown, as she did not provide her most recent employers, as requested by the Auxiliary Questionnaire portion of the application (No. 6). Ms. Kirilov acknowledged her role as agent of Kafana and all that it entails. It is unclear whether Mr. Lazarevic and/or Ms. Kirilov will operate as the manager(s) at Kafana to handle the day-to-day issues as they arise. Their intent is to operate a quiet, friendly establishment.