Good Neighbors Report

To: PS&L Committee

From: Attorney Nhu H. Arn

RE: Taqueria Gran Morelos

Meeting date: Thursday, December 5, 2019

PS&L agenda date: Tuesday, December 10, 2019

Departments Health, Police, Building, Fire and Attorney

attended:

License requested: "Class B" (already operating under a Class "B" and "Class C")

Topics Discussed:

- Clarification of hours: The application lists the hours of operation in four separate places, but almost all of them are different. Cinthia and Vincent Esqueda clarified that they intend to operate from 10:00a.m. 1:00a.m. (Sunday through Thursday) and 8:00a.m. 1:00a.m. (Friday and Saturdays). Lt. Smith of the police department warned that they may start to attract a bar crowd with those hours. Ms. Esqueda states that they have had no such issues since opening back in July, although she admits that they have been closing at 11:00p.m.
- <u>Clarification of premises description:</u> Attorney Arn noted that the premises description is currently inadequate as written and needed to be amended for clarification. Ms.
 Esqueda agreed that the premises description should be changed to state as follows: the first floor bar and restaurant area including the front porch, storage in the basement, and outdoor patio and smoking area. Ms. Esqueda will submit an updated map as part of the license application depicting the licensed premises, as amended, prior to Tuesday's meeting.

Overall summary:

Mr. Esqueda attended a Good Neighbors meeting back in July when this business first applied for a Class "B" and "Class C" license. Since then, there have been no issues related to the licensed premises from the perspective of city staff members who were at the meeting. The police department is concerned that the restaurant's late hours may attract an unruly bar crowd. That said, they anticipate that the agent will continue to be cooperative with the police should any issues arise.