

Good Neighbors Report

To: Public Safety and Licensing Committee

From: Attorney Ian R. Pomplin

RE: Stix Tavern., James Andersen, Agent
600 High Street

Meeting date: Thursday, May 7, 2026

Departments: Clerk, Building, Health and Attorney in person,
Police and City Development submitted a written report due to scheduling conflicts

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

Business plan and premises description. Mr. Andersen intends to operate a neighborhood bar at the location of the Rock Inn, and this bar will operate in a virtually identical manner as the current Rock Inn. He intends to primarily be a bar, though he has some food options. The bar is currently open as the Rock Inn and he is able to begin operation immediately.

Owner/agent experience. Mr. Anderson has extensive experience in the liquor industry, he has successfully worked at Rock Inn for many years.

Health department. The establishment has yet to receive approval by the health department. The applicant is currently working with the City to obtain this approval and ensure it can be appropriately licensed. Due to minimal changes in the establishment, it is likely that there will not be any major issues.

City Development and Building. The establishment has yet to receive approval from the Building department, but this has been scheduled and Building expects little to no difficulty in the premises receiving its occupancy license. The previous establishment had an occupancy license. Mr. Andersen was informed to contact City Development if he intended to change any outside signage or perform other external changes to the property.

Police Department issues. Mr. Andersen discussed the common issues that arise for businesses that hold liquor licenses with Attorney Pomplin. Mr. Andersen was reminded that she needed to have staff with operator’s licenses to serve alcohol. Information was provided on licensed premises checks. Sgt. Cruz provided information that Rock Inn has had minimal contacts with law enforcement, and does not show a pattern of misbehavior.

Application. Licensing Liaison Lead Zavala spoke with Mr. Andersen about his application and assisted with him filling in some areas that lacked sufficient information. Mr. Andersen completed his application and no amendments are needed at this time.

Overall Summary

The premise at 600 High Street does not raise concerns to city staff, provided that the premises is operated within the scope of the written business plan and that Mr. Andersen obtains the necessary approvals from the Health and Building Departments that he has yet to receive.