# CITY OF NORTHGLENN LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY July 20, 2023

CALL TO ORDER Chairperson Olivieri called the meeting of the Northglenn

Liquor Licensing Authority to order on Thursday, July 20, 2023

at 9:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL** Present were Chairperson Michael Olivieri, Vice Chairperson

Larry Harvey, and Authority members Sharon Whitman and

Lee Stewart.

**ABSENT** Alternate Member Maxine Foster.

STAFF PRESENT Attorney Hilary Graham and Sr. Deputy City Clerk Lisa

Andrews.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 29, 2023 Minutes of the June 29, 2023 meeting were approved as

presented.

SPECIAL PRIVATE OCCASION PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Marie Petracek Sr. Deputy City Clerk Andrews provided a summary of the

application for a special private occasion permit to allow beer and wine to be possessed and consumed at E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park, Ponderosa Pavilion, on August 26<sup>th</sup> from

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for a group picnic.

Marie Petracek provided information regarding the Basque community and the get-together event, which will feature a barbeque and a wide variety of games. Drink tickets will be utilized to limit the service of alcohol to those of legal age. Guests will be advised that all alcohol must remain within the

permitted area.

MOTION TO PASS Vice Chairperson Harvey MOVED and it was SECONDED by

member Stewart to approve the application for a special private occasion permit submitted by Marie Petracek for an

occasion to be held on August 26, 2023.

**MOTION PASSED** There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**.

IN FAVOR – Olivieri, Harvey, Whitman, Stewart.

OPPOSED – No one. ABSENT – Foster.

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#### Kendra Barton

Sr. Deputy City Clerk Andrews provided a summary of the application for a special private occasion permit to allow beer and wine to be possessed and consumed at E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park, Snowberry Pavilion, on July 22<sup>nd</sup> from noon to 10:00 p.m. for a family reunion.

Kendra Barton was present. There was discussion regarding the nature of the occasion and proximity of the pavilion to the playground. Kendra advised that all alcohol will remain within the pavilion.

#### **MOTION TO PASS**

Chairperson Olivieri **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Vice Chairperson Harvey to approve the application for a special private occasion permit submitted by Kendra Barton for an occasion to be held on July 22, 2023.

#### **MOTION PASSED**

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**. IN FAVOR – Olivieri, Harvey, Whitman, Stewart. OPPOSED – No one. ABSENT – Foster.

#### Adrian Ortiz

Sr. Deputy City Clerk Andrews provided a summary of the application for a special private occasion permit to allow beer and wine to be possessed and consumed at E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park, Tumbleweed and Sagebrush Pavilions, on August 5<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for a birthday party.

Julian Ortiz was present on behalf of the applicant. There was discussion regarding proximity of the pavilion to the playground. Guests will be advised that all alcohol must remain within the permitted area. There was discussion regarding security for the event and the insurance certificate. Julian stated that members of the party will supervise the consumption of alcohol during the event. The insurance certificate was purchased by his daughter-in-law. Attorney Graham advised the Authority that the insurance certificate is sufficient and meets the requirement for the issuance of a special private occasion permit.

### **MOTION TO PASS**

Member Whitman **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by member Stewart to approve the application for a special private occasion permit submitted by Adrian Ortiz for an occasion to be held on August 5, 2023.

### **MOTION PASSED**

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**. IN FAVOR – Olivieri, Harvey, Whitman, Stewart. OPPOSED – No one. ABSENT – Foster.

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## NEW LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION – PUBLIC HEARING

**Prost Brewing Company** 

Sr. Deputy City Clerk Andrews provided a summary of the application filed by Prost Northglenn LLC and Prost Biergarten Denver LLC d/b/a Prost Brewing Company for a new brew pub license to be issued for the premises located at 351 W 104th Avenue, Suites A & B. A brew pub license would allow for the sale of malt, vinous, and spirituous liquor to the public for consumption on premises.

A notice of public hearing was posted at 351 W 104th Avenue, Ste. A & B, published in the Northglenn Thornton Sentinel, and mailed to all Northglenn addresses within a one-half mile radius neighborhood boundary on July 6, 2023. The notices provided the date, time, and location of the public hearing and stated that any written objections must be received prior to the public hearing.

Sr. Deputy City Clerk Andrews advised the Authority that two responses to the public hearing notice had been received. The communications, expressing support for the application, were read into the record:

- E-mail dated July 11, 2023 from Alec Smolyar, 10967 Melody Drive.
- E-mail dated July 18, 2023 from Patricia McCune, 11086 Elati Street.

Chairperson Olivieri opened the public hearing. There were no objections to the jurisdiction of the local authority or to the form or substance of the hearing. All those planning to testify were sworn in by Sr. Deputy City Clerk Andrews.

Robert Runco was present as legal counsel for Prost Northglenn LLC and Prost Biergarten Denver LLC.

Carol Johnson provided testimony on behalf of Liquor Licensing Professionals, the company retained by the applicant to conduct a neighborhood needs and desires survey. Carol provided information on the petitioning process and advised that, of those surveyed, 100% of residents and 100% of business owners and managers expressed support for the application, demonstrating a strong need and desire for the issuance of the brew pub license to the applicant. Many commented that the establishment will bring more commercial traffic to the area and will benefit the community.

David DeLine was called to testify on behalf of Prost Northglenn LLC and Prost Biergarten Denver LLC. David stated he is the president and majority owner of Prost Brewing Company. The Northglenn establishment will be the third Prost Brewing Company location; the first is on 19th Street in Denver and the second is in Highlands Ranch. There have not been any liquor code violations at the other Prost Brewing Company locations, which are both licensed as brew pubs. David stated he will be on-site nearly every day as the Northglenn location will also serve as the new corporate office headquarters. The corporate managers have a combined 40 years of experience in the brew pub industry. The establishment will be a German style brew pub with an indoor dining area and an outside biergarten. There will be a full kitchen offering authentic German food and the bar will feature a variety of German alcohol and beer. The revenue of the establishment is expected to be 45% from food, 45% from beer and alcohol, and 10% from general merchandise. The concept is a casual community-oriented establishment. There will be large dining tables throughout the establishment with counter service only. Identification will be checked upon an drink order being placed. Floor managers will continuously walk the seating area to monitor the consumption of alcohol. All managers and servers will be TIPS certified. Hours of operation are planned to be 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Sunday. The anticipated opening date is October 2023.

There was discussion regarding the size and layout of the establishment. David testified that the establishment will seat 267 inside and 220 outside. There will be a small stage outside for live music and entertainment. The biergarten will be surrounded by a 6-foot solid wood fence and music will not be allowed late at night. The establishment will strive to be considerate of the neighborhood.

There was discussion regarding alcohol being consumed at the tables after identification is presented at the counter. David stated the dining areas will be heavily staffed. If someone is observed to be consuming alcohol that they did not personally order, they will be asked for identification at the table.

There was discussion regarding the outdoor seating area. David testified that there will be signage posted to indicate that alcohol may not be removed from the fenced seating area.

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There will be two entrances to the establishment, both of which will be constantly monitored.

Attorney Robert Runco concluded the applicant's presentation and asked for the Authority to approve the brew pub license application filed by Prost Northglenn LLC and Prost Biergarten Denver LLC d/b/a Prost Brewing Company.

Chairperson Olivieri asked if there was anyone else present that would like to speak regarding the application. There being no response, the public hearing was declared closed.

MOTION TO PASS

Vice Chairperson Harvey **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Member Stewart to approve the application for a brew publicense filed by Prost Northglenn, LLC and Prost Biergarten Denver, LLC d/b/a Prost Brewing Company.

**MOTION PASSED** 

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**. IN FAVOR – Olivieri, Harvey, Whitman, Stewart. OPPOSED – No one. ABSENT – Foster.

OTHER MATTERS

**COMMUNICATIONS** None.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at

9:39 a.m.

None.

LISA ANDREWS Sr. Deputy City Clerk

MICHAEL OLIVIERI Chairperson