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Council Action and Executive Summary

Item # 12 Ordinance/Resolution# 10-050 Council District:

For Meeting of August 3, 2009

(Adoption Date)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF A MASTER WINEGROWER LIQUOR LICENSE (WINE PRODUCTION) TO AMARO WINERY, LLC D/B/A AMARO WINERY, TO BE LOCATED AT 601 WEST AMADOR, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO.

PURPOSE(S) OF ACTION: To approve, disapprove, or not approve the issuance of a Master Winegrower Liquor License (Wine Production) to Amaro Winery, LLC d/b/a Amaro Winery.

Name of Drafter: Monica Campbell <i>MC</i>		Department: Legal		Phone: 541-2128	
Department	Signature	Phone	Department	Signature	Phone
Originating Department		541-2128	Budget	<i>Richard M. ...</i>	541-2107
			Assistant City Manager	<i>[Signature]</i>	541-2271
Legal	<i>[Signature]</i>	541-2128	City Manager		541-2076

BACKGROUND / KEY ISSUES / CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

Pursuant to state law, the application for issuance of a winegrower's liquor license must be accompanied by a resolution of the City Council approving of and consenting to the issuance after a public hearing.

Amaro Winery, LLC d/b/a Amaro Winery applied to the Alcohol & Gaming Division of the Regulation and Licensing Department of the State of New Mexico ("Alcohol and Gaming") for the issuance of a Master Winegrower's Liquor License (Wine Production) at 601 West Amador, Las Cruces, New Mexico. Alcohol and Gaming granted preliminary approval on June 30, 2009.

The City Council is required to hold a public hearing within 45 days after the date of receipt of the preliminary approval from Alcohol and Gaming. A public hearing to review this issue is scheduled during the regular City Council Meeting on Monday, August 3, 2009, beginning at 1:00 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 200 North Church Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico. Notice of this public hearing was published in the *Las Cruces Sun-News* on July 12 and 19, 2009 and in the *Las Cruces Bulletin* on July 10 and 17, 2009.

Council may approve or disapprove the issuance. However, Council's disapproval must be based on substantial evidence that the issuance of the license would adversely affect the health, safety or welfare of the citizens of the City of Las Cruces. Council may also fail to

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either approve or disapprove the license. If Council fails to approve or disapprove the license within 30 days after the public hearing, the Director of Alcohol and Gaming may give final approval of this license.

SUPPORT INFORMATION:

Fund Name / Account Number	Amount of Expenditure	Budget Amount
N/A	N/A	N/A

1. Resolution with Alcohol and Gaming's preliminary approval with the application attached as Exhibit "A".
2. Notice of Intent to Adopt, Attachments "1" and "2".
3. Traffic Impact Report from the Traffic Engineering Section, Attachment "3".
4. Liquor License Impact Report (zoning) from the Community Development Department, Attachment "4".
5. Liquor License Impact Report (registration and permits) from the Economic Development Department, Attachment "5".
6. Criminal Activity Report from the Las Cruces Police Department, Attachment "6".
7. Fire and Safety Compliance Report from the Las Cruces Fire Department, Attachment "7".

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the resolution and consent to the issuance of a Master Winegrower Liquor License (Wine Production) to Amaro Winery, LLC d/b/a Amaro Winery. Approval will allow Alcohol and Gaming to continue with its application process.
2. Disapprove the resolution. Council's disapproval must be based on substantial evidence that the issuance of the liquor license would adversely affect the health, safety or welfare of the citizens of the City of Las Cruces.
3. Not approve or disapprove the Resolution. If the Council fails to either approve or disapprove the issuance of the liquor license, the Director of Alcohol and Gaming may give final approval to said issuance.

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RESOLUTION NO. 10- 050**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF A MASTER WINEGROWER LIQUOR LICENSE (WINE PRODUCTION) TO AMARO WINERY, LLC D/B/A AMARO WINERY, TO BE LOCATED AT 601 WEST AMADOR, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO.**

The City Council of the City of Las Cruces is informed that:

WHEREAS, Amaro Winery, LLC d/b/a Amaro Winery, to be located at 601 West Amador, Las Cruces, New Mexico, applied to the Alcohol and Gaming Division of the Regulation and Licensing Department of the State of New Mexico ("Alcohol and Gaming") for the issuance of a Master Winegrower Liquor License (Wine Production); and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2009, Alcohol and Gaming granted preliminary approval for the issuance of the license, as evidenced by their letter with the application attached; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to law, the application for issuance of a liquor license must be accompanied by a resolution of the City Council approving of and consenting to the issuance after a public hearing upon reasonable public notice of such hearing; and

WHEREAS, the City Council did on this date hold a public hearing after reasonable public notice setting forth the appropriate information concerning the public hearing. The City Council has considered the issuance of the liquor license and it has determined that the approval of said license is not detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare of the City of Las Cruces.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES:

(I)

THAT the issuance of a Master Winegrower Liquor License (Wine Production) to Amaro Winery, LLC d/b/a Amaro Winery, to be located at 601 West Amador, Las Cruces, New Mexico, is hereby approved.

(II)

THAT a copy of this Resolution shall be conveyed to the Director of the Alcohol and Gaming Division of the Regulation and Licensing Department, Post Office Box 25101, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-5101.

(III)

THAT City staff is authorized to do all deeds necessary to accomplish the intent of this Resolution and the Agreement.

DONE AND APPROVED on this 3 day of August 2009.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

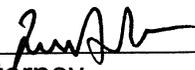
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Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

Mayor Miyagishima:	_____
Councillor Silva:	_____
Councillor Connor:	_____
Councillor Archuleta:	_____
Councillor Small:	_____
Councillor Jones:	_____
Councillor Thomas:	_____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



City Attorney



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New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department
ALCOHOL AND GAMING DIVISION

Toney Anaya Building ▪ 2550 Cerrillos Road ▪ Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505
(505) 476-4875 ▪ Fax (505) 476-4595 ▪ www.rld.state.nm.us/agd

Bill Richardson
GOVERNOR

Kelly O'Donnell, Ph.D.
SUPERINTENDENT

Julie Ann Meade
DEPUTY
SUPERINTENDENT

Gary J. Tomada
DIRECTOR

June 30, 2009

Certified Mail No.: 7006 3450 0001 4339 5532

City of Las Cruces
Attn: Esther Martinez, Acting Clerk
P.O. Box 20000
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0000

Re: License / App. No.: Application #A-599769
Applicant Name: Amaro Winery, LLC
Doing Business As: Amaro Winery
Proposed Location: 601 W. Amador Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005

ATTENTION: Department or person responsible for conducting or preparing the public hearing for liquor license transfers or issuance of new liquor licenses.

Greetings:

The Director of the Alcohol and Gaming Division has reviewed the referenced Application and is being forwarded to you in accordance with Section 60-6B-4 NMSA of the Liquor Control Act.

Within forty-five (45) days after receipt of a Notice from the Alcohol and Gaming Division, the governing body **shall** hold a Public Hearing in the question of whether the department should approve the proposed issuance or transfer. Notice of the Public Hearing required by the Liquor Control Act **shall** be given by the governing body by publishing a notice of the date, time, and place of the hearing at least once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within the territorial limits of the governing body, **which requires that two weeks of publication must be satisfied before a hearing can be conducted.** The notice shall include: (A) Name and address of the Applicant/Licensee; (B) The action proposed to be taken by the Alcohol and Gaming Division; and (C) The location of the licensed premises. The governing body is required to send notice by certified mail to the Applicant of the date, time, and place of the Public Hearing. The governing body may designate a Hearing Officer to conduct the hearing. A record **shall** be made of the hearing.

THE APPLICANT IS SEEKING A (MASTER) WINEGROWER LIQUOR LICENSE (WINE PRODUCTION).

The governing body may disapprove the issuance or transfer of the license if:

- 1) The proposed location is within an area where the sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited by the laws of New Mexico. (The governing body may disapprove if the proposed location is within 300 feet of a church or school unless the license has been located at this location prior to 1981 or unless the Applicant/Licensee has obtained a waiver from the Local Option District governing body for the

EXHIBIT A

Alcohol and Gaming Division
(505) 476-4875

Boards and Commissions Division
(505) 476-4600

Construction Industries Division
(505) 476-4700

Financial Institutions Division
(505) 476-4885

Manufactured Housing Division
(505) 476-4770

Securities Division
(505) 476-4580

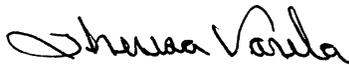
Administrative Services Division
(505) 476-4800

- proposed licensed premises).
- 2) The issuance or transfer would be in violation of a zoning or other ordinance of the governing body. The governing body may disapprove if the proposed location is not properly zoned. Because this office is in receipt of a Zoning Statement from the governing body, this is not a basis for disapproval. Attached is a copy of a Zoning Statement from the local governing body.
 - 3) The issuance would be detrimental to the public health, safety, or morals of the residents of the Local Option District. Disapproval by the governing body on public health, safety, or morals must be based on and supported by substantial evidence pertaining to the specific prospective transferee or location and a copy of the record must be submitted to the Alcohol and Gaming Division.

Within thirty (30) days after the Public Hearing, the governing body **shall** notify the Alcohol and Gaming Division as to whether the local governing body has approved or disapproved the issuance of transfer of the license by signing the enclosed original Page 1 of the Application. The original Page 1 of the Application must be returned together with the notice of publication(s). If the governing body fails to either approve or disapprove the issuance or transfer of the license within thirty days after the Public Hearing, the Director may give Final Approval to the issuance or transfer of the license.

If the governing body disapproves the issuance or transfer of the license, it shall notify the Alcohol and Gaming Division within thirty (30) days setting forth the reasons for the disapproval. A copy of the Minutes of the Public Hearing shall be submitted to the Alcohol and Gaming Division with the notice of disapproval (Page 1 of the Application page noting disapproval).

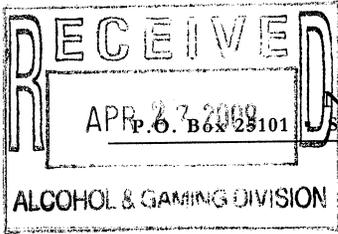
Sincerely,



Theresa Varela
Administrative Law Judge

ENCLOSURES

1. **Original Page 1 of the Application (must be signed and returned).**
2. **Copy of Page 2 of the Application.**
3. **Copy of Zoning Statement.**
4. **Copy of Floor Plan (including outdoor patios).**
5. **Copy of Limited Liability Company Page of the Application with attachment.**



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LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION

Application fee - \$200.00 Fees are non-refundable.

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State Liquor License # _____
Application Number 599769
Local option (AGD use) LAS CRUCES

Record Owner of Existing License _____
Current D/B/A Name _____
Current Premises Address _____

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Application is for: Change of Stock _____ Change of Officers/Directors _____ Transfer Ownership of Existing License _____ Transfer Ownership and Location _____ Transfer Location _____ Other _____
Issue New License Type of License being applied for (Master) Wine Growers & Wholesale Licenses TC 05-19-09
Applicant is: Individual _____ Corporation _____ Partnership (General or Limited) _____ Limited Liability Company

NAME OF APPLICANT (company or individual) AMARO WINERY, LLC ADDRESS (including city, state, zip) 2480 N. Roadrunner Pkwy LAS CRUCES, NM 88011 TELEPHONE NUMBER 575-525-0241

D/B/A name to be used: ~~AMARO WINERY~~ AMARO WINERY Phone number for licensed premises: 575-649-5786

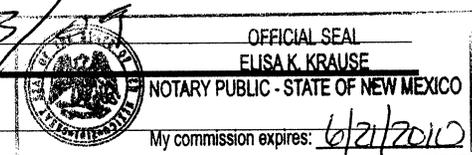
Physical location where license is to be used: 605 W. Amador Ave. LAS CRUCES, NM 88005 Dona Ana County
(Include street number / highway number / state road, city and county, state, and zip code)

Mailing address: 2480 N. Roadrunner Pkwy LAS CRUCES, NM 88011

Are alcoholic beverages currently being dispensed at the proposed location? Yes _____ No If yes, give license number and type _____

I, (print name) HAROLD G. DENTON, as (title) MANAGER being first duly sworn upon oath deposes and says: that he/she is the applicant or is authorized by the applicant to make this application; that he/she has read the same; knows the contents therein contained are true. Applicant(s) agree(s) that if any statements or representations herein are found to be false, the director may refuse to issue or renew the license or may cause the license to be revoked at any time.

You must sign and date this form in the presence of a notary public.
Signature of Applicant Harold G. Denton Date 4/23/09



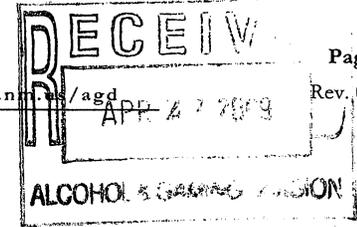
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 23rd day of April, 2009 by Harold G. Denton
Notary Public Elisa K. Krause My Commission Expires 6/21/2010

Local Governing Body of: _____ (City or County). Hearing held on _____ 20____

Check one: Approved _____ Disapproved _____ City/County Official _____ (Signature & Title)

For Alcohol and Gaming Division Use Only

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Director Approval _____ Date _____



PREMISES LOCATION, OWNERSHIP, AND DESCRIPTION
SS-60-6B-10

1. The land and building which is proposed to be the licensed premises is (check one):

Owned by Applicant _____ Leased by Applicant (attach copy of deed or lease) Other (provide details) _____

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2. If the land and building are not owned by Applicant, indicate the following:

A. Owner(s) Chisholm's LLC, P.O. Box 397, LAS CRUCES, NM 88004

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B. Date and term of lease April 16, 2009 Term 3 years (see attached)

3. Premises location is zoned (example C-1) M1/M2 (Industrial Standard)

If the premises is zoned, attach zoning statement from local government giving location address and type of zone, stating whether alcoholic beverages are allowed at proposed location. If there is no zoning, attach confirmation from local government indicating there is no zoning.

4. Distance from nearest church *(Property line of church to licensed premises—shortest distance).

2 tenths of a mile North, per Posting. Name of church FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, per Posting.
Miles/feet 414 Address/location of church 505 S. MIRANDA LAS CRUCES

Address unavailable, per Posting. TV 06-18-09

5. Distance from nearest school *(Property line of school to licensed premises—shortest distance).

3 tenths of a mile North, per Posting. Name of school CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, per Posting.
Miles/feet 2296 Address/location of school 150 N Alameda BLVD LAS CRUCES

Address unavailable, per Posting. TV 06-18-09

6. Distance from military installation *(Property line of military installation to licensed premises—shortest distance).

Miles 2.24 Name of Military Installation, circle one: Kirtland Air Force Base (Albuquerque), White Sands Missile Range (Las Cruces), Holloman Air Force Base (Alamogordo), Cannon Air Force Base (Clovis).

7. Attach, on a separate sheet, the detailed floor plan for each level (floor) where alcoholic beverages will be sold or consumed. Show exterior walls, doors, and interior walls. This will be the licensed premises. The floor plan should be no larger than 8 1/2 x 11 inches, and must include the total square footage of premises.

*If the distance is beyond 300 feet, but less than 400 feet, a registered engineer or licensed surveyor must complete a Survey Certificate showing the exact distance.

8. Type of Operation:

Lounge _____ Restaurant _____ Package Grocery _____ Racetrack _____ Hotel _____ Other (specify) WINE GROWERS

~~Wholesale~~
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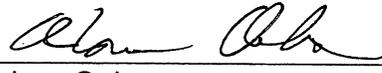
**STATEMENT OF ZONING**

The property located at 601 W. Amador, and having a Map Code Number or Parcel ID Number of 02-05631, in Las Cruces, New Mexico, is zoned as follows:

M-1/M-2 (Industrial Standard)

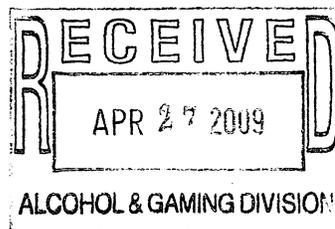
The above described property located in the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, has been reviewed and found to be zoned as indicated above in accordance with the Las Cruces Zoning Atlas. Accordingly, I do hereby approve and issue this Statement of Zoning.

April 16, 2009
Date


Adam Ochoa
Associate Planner

Comments: The M-1/M-2 zoning district is intended to provide for industrial uses that consist of full-scale fabrication, manufacturing, packaging and processing of products that can be conducted in a generally clean, quiet, and safe environment with minimal negative impacts on the surrounding environment and uses. A brewery/winery is a permitted use in the M-1/M-2 zoning district.

Please be advised that the information presented on this document is taken from the City of Las Cruces Zoning Atlas. Nothing shall prevent the City of Las Cruces from amending this information if review of the Zoning Ordinance shows the Atlas to be in error.



N73°34' E
 R=5689.08
 L=117.83
 Tan=58.92
 Δ 1°11'12"

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 AMADOR AVE.

S73°34'29"W 34.66'
 N74°36'56"W 22.45'

TOTAL AREA LOT
 1.00 ACRES

NOT PART OF
 WINERY
 0.59 AC.

S. MELENDRES ST.

-  WINERY LEASE AREA
0.41 ACRES
-  MASTER WINE
GROWERS LICENSE
3,472 SQ.FT.
-  WINE WHOLESALER
LIQUOR LICENSE
151 SQ.FT.

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ENTRY GATE

FRAME &
 STUCCO WALL
 HEIGHT 4'-8"



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2480 roadrunner parkway

las cruces, nm 88011

575.525.0241

fax 575.525.9405

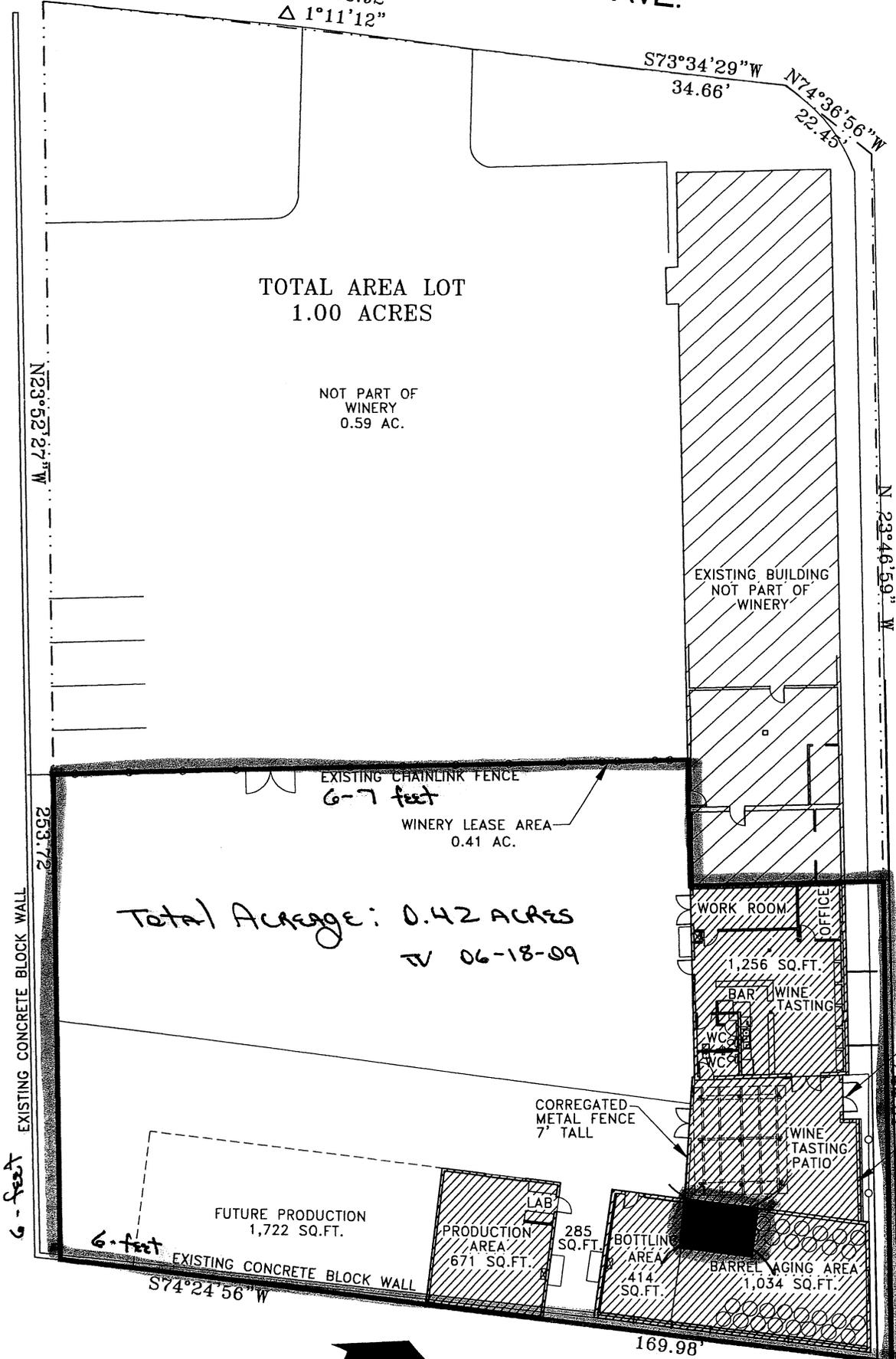
barb@dvi-lascruces.com

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Total Acreage: 0.42 ACRES
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SITE PLAN

SCALE 1" = 30'



LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

1. Name of Limited Liability Company AMARO WINERY, LLC^{SS 60-6B-2A}
2. Date company formed (attach copy of Operating Agreement) 04 / 16 / 2009
3. Date company registered (attach copy of certificate and Article of Organization) 03 / 16 / 2009
4. Mailing Address: Street 2480 N. ROADRUNNER PKWY City LAS CRUCES State NM Zip 88011 Phone 575-525-0241

Names and addresses of all Members – full disclosure is required. If a Member is a corporation, Trust, Limited Liability Company, General or Limited Partnership, complete the appropriate entity information page.

LIST ALL MEMBERS AND MANAGERS

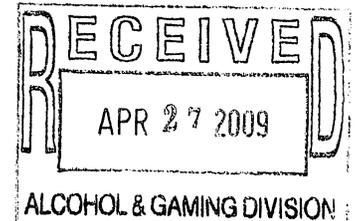
Name	Title	Address	% of interest/contribution
HAROLD G. DENTON	MANAGER	2480 N. ROADRUNNER PKWY LAS CRUCES, NM 88011	18.8%
BERND MAIER	MANAGER	P.O. Box 692 Mesquite, NM 88048	27.8%
BENJAMIN MAIER	Member	230 Three Crosses Ave, #37 LAS CRUCES, NM 88005	27.7%
Il Grato Nonno Revokable Trust	Member	4269 NAMBE CT. LAS CRUCES, NM 88011	16.7%
BARBARA L. MOBLEY DENTON	MEMBER	2480 N. ROADRUNNER PKWY LAS CRUCES, NM 88011	9.0%

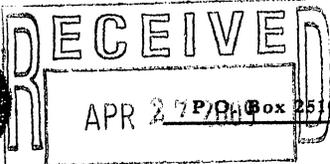
Was this Limited Liability Company ever had a liquor license in which it held any interest in any State suspended or revoked, or has the Limited Liability Company denied the issuance of a liquor license? No Yes ___ If Yes, provide details:

7. List every liquor license in which this Limited Liability Company owns any interest, direct or indirect:
NONE

NOTE: For each Member who is an individual, complete the *Personal Data Information Form* (page 6), and for each person attach two (2) completed fingerprints cards (available from the Alcohol and Gaming Division) along with fees and supporting documentation. Fingerprints must be taken by City Police, State Police or Sheriff (any state).

Return this form to the Alcohol and Gaming Division, 2550 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, if using overnight delivery.





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TRUST

- Name of Trust Il grato nonno revocable trust,
- Date Trust formed (attach copy of entire Trust Agreement) 11 125 1 2008
- Mailing Address: Street 4209 Nambe ct. City Las cruces State NM Zip 88011 Phone 575-312-3108
- Names and addresses of all Trustees and each Beneficiary of the Trust – full disclosure is required. If a Trustee or Beneficiary is a corporation, Limited Liability Company or a General or Limited Partnership, complete the appropriate corporation information on Page 4, or appropriate Partnership Statement (Page 3).

LIST ALL TRUSTEES AND BENEFICIARIES

Name	Title	Address	% of interest
<u>Kellya Allen</u>	<u>Trustee</u>	<u>4209 Nambe ct Las Cruces NM 88011</u>	<u>100%</u>

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- Has this Trust ever had a liquor license in which it held any interest in any State suspended or revoked, or has the Trust been denied the issuance of a liquor license? No Yes ___ If Yes, provide details:
N/A
- List every liquor license in which this Trust owns any interest, direct or indirect
N/A

NOTE: For each Trustee and/or Beneficiary who are individuals, complete the Personal Data Information Form (page 6), and for each person attach two (2) completed fingerprints cards (available from the Alcohol and Gaming Division) along with fees and supporting documentation. Fingerprints must be taken by City Police, State Police or Sheriff (any state).

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AD FORM

LAS CRUCES BULLETIN	
CLASSIFIED LEGAL AD	
DATE TO PUBLISH: 07/10/09 & 07/17/09	
CITY CONTACT & PHONE NUMBER: MONICA CAMPBELL 541-2128 FAX: 541-2017	BILL TO: CITY CLERK P O Box 20000 LAS CRUCES, NM 88004
PROOF OF PUBLICATION REQUIRED.	

COPY TO PUBLISH:

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

Notice is hereby given that the Las Cruces City Council will hold a Public Hearing to discuss approval or disapproval of the **Issuance of a Master Winegrower Liquor License (Wine Production) to Amaro Winery, LLC d/b/a Amaro Winery, to be located at 601 West Amador, Las Cruces, New Mexico.**

The Public Hearing will be held at a meeting of the City Council on Monday, August 3, 2009, at 1:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 200 North Church, City Hall. If passed, the State of New Mexico Regulation & Licensing Department, Alcohol and Gaming Division, may approve the issuance of the Restaurant Liquor License.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 7th day of July 2009.



 Esther Martinez, CMC, City Clerk



AD FORM

LAS CRUCES SUN NEWS	
CLASSIFIED LEGAL AD	
DATE TO PUBLISH: 07/12/09 & 07/19/09	Account No. 720680
CITY CONTACT & PHONE NUMBER: MONICA CAMPBELL 541-2128 FAX: 541-2017	BILL TO: CITY CLERK P O Box 20000 LAS CRUCES, NM 88004
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Esther Martinez, CMC, City Clerk



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**INTER-DEPARTMENTAL
MEMORANDUM**

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TO: Fermin A. Rubio, City Attorney

FROM: Dan Soriano, Traffic Engineer, Public Works 

SUBJECT: Traffic Investigation Report

DATE: July 14, 2009

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As requested, Traffic Engineering has completed a traffic investigation for Amaro Winery LLC located at 601 W. Amador, Las Cruces, New Mexico. The following information is submitted for review:

- West Amador Avenue at this location carries approximately 16,500 vehicles per day.
- West Amador Avenue is operated as a four lane major arterial roadway and primarily serves commercial use.
- Access to the property in question is off of both West Amador Avenue and Melendres Street. No sight distance problems exist at either access.
- The speed limit on West Amador Avenue in this area is 40 mph and along Melendres Street is 25 mph.

The approval of a Liquor License Transfer at this location does not appear it will adversely impact traffic operations along this segment of roadway.

Should any additional information be needed, please contact me.

City of Las Cruces
Community Development Department

LIQUOR LICENSE IMPACT REPORT

(Master) Winegrower Liquor License (Wine Production) No. A-599769

601 W. Amador Avenue
Amaro Winery

July 14, 2009

**LIQUOR LICENSE IMPACT REPORT
(Master) Winegrower Liquor License (Wine Production)**

**Amaro Winery
601 W. Amador Avenue**

The purpose of this report is to review, analyze and determine any possible impacts of a liquor license relating to land use and other planning related issues.

PROPERTY INFORMATION:

Location: 601 W. Amador Avenue
Applicant: Amaro Winery, LLC
Business Name: Amaro Winery

LAND USE AND ZONING INFORMATION:

Subject Property Zoning: M-1/M-2 (Industrial Standard)
(See attached Statement of Zoning and Vicinity Map)

Subject Property Current Land Use:

<u>Adjacent Land Uses</u>	<u>Zoning</u>	<u>Land Use</u>
North	M-1/M-2	Industrial
South	M-1/M-2	Industrial
East	C-2C	Commercial/Residential
West	M-1/M-2	Industrial

DISTANCE REQUIREMENTS:

Greater than 300 feet to a school: YES
Greater than 300 feet to a church: YES
Greater than 300 feet to a military installation: YES

TRAFFIC COUNT AND ACCESS INFORMATION:

Roadway: Amador Avenue
Classification: Principal Arterial
Number of Lanes: 4
Site Access: 2
Nearest Intersections: Amador & Melendres

PARKING REQUIREMENTS:

The 2001 Las Cruces Zoning Code, as amended, requires wineries to provide one (1) auto parking space per 800-1200 square feet of gross floor area and one (1) bicycle parking space per 20,000 square feet of gross floor area. Parking requirements will be verified upon the submittal of a building permit.

IMPACT ANALYSIS:

The subject property is located off of Amador Avenue which is designated as a principal arterial and is designed to accommodate heavy traffic and land uses such as wineries and breweries. The subject property is zoned M-1/M-2 (Industrial Standard) which permits this use and uses related to it. The applicant is requesting a (master) winegrower liquor license (wine production) for this location. In terms of a transportation and land use perspective, this seems to be an appropriate location and request.

**STATEMENT OF ZONING**

The property located at 601 W. Amador Avenue, and having a Map Code Number or Parcel ID Number of 02-05631, in Las Cruces, New Mexico, is zoned as follows:

M-1/M-2 (Industrial Standard)

The above described property located in the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, has been reviewed and found to be zoned as indicated above in accordance with the Las Cruces Zoning Atlas. Accordingly, I do hereby approve and issue this Statement of Zoning.

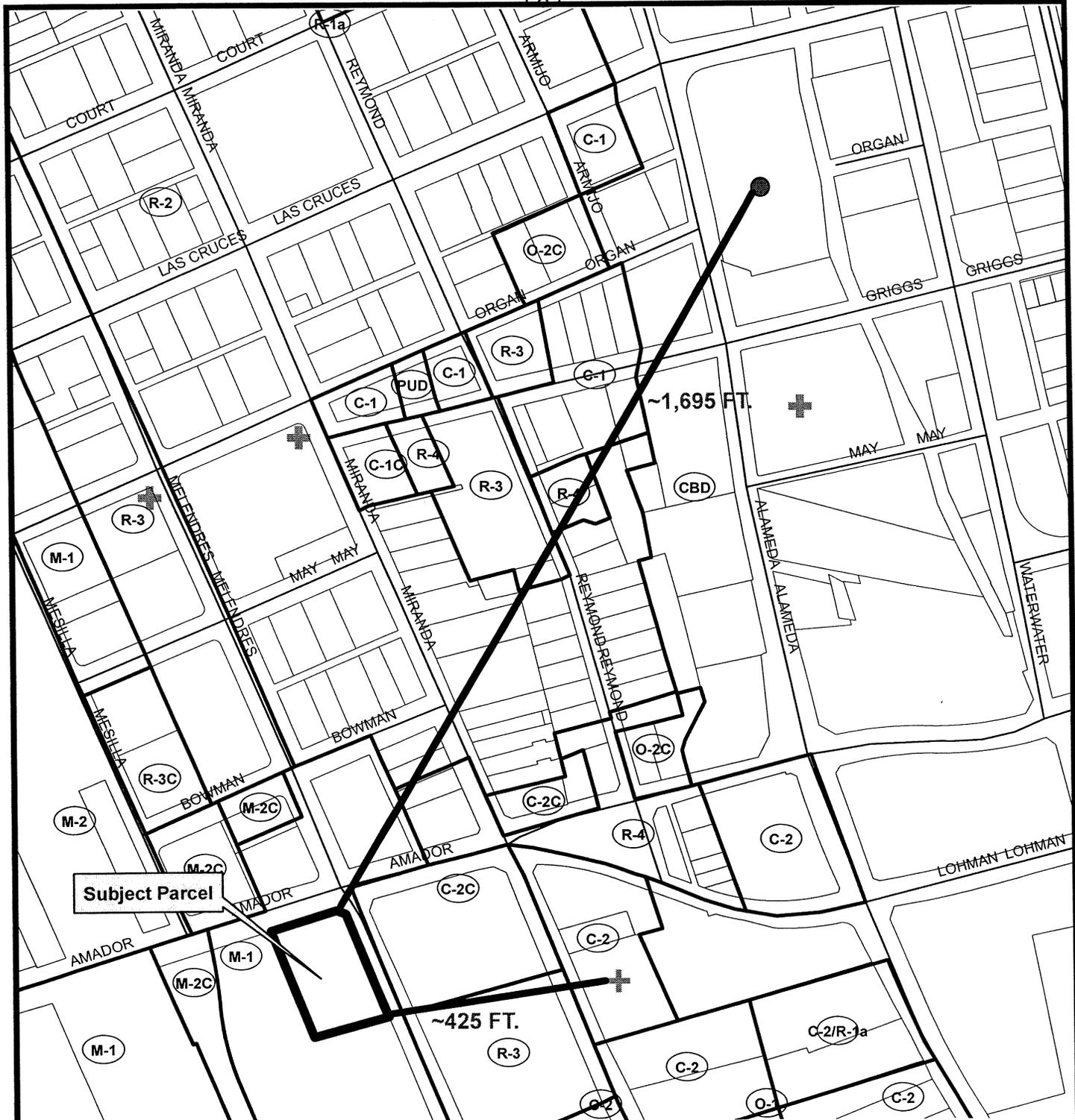
July 14, 2009
Date



Adam Ochoa
Associate Planner

Comments: The M1/M2 zoning district is intended to provide for industrial uses that consist of full-scale fabrication, manufacturing, packaging and processing of products that can be conducted in a generally clean, quiet, and safe environment with minimal negative impacts on the surrounding environment and uses. A winery is a permitted use in M-1/M-2 zoning districts, provided all requirements as prescribed for liquor establishments by the State of New Mexico are met (as per Section 38-44.C.4a 2001 Las Cruces Zoning Code as amended).

Please be advised that the information presented on this document is taken from the City of Las Cruces Zoning Atlas. Nothing shall prevent the City of Las Cruces from amending this information if review of the Zoning Ordinance shows the Atlas to be in error.



Subject Parcel

~1,695 FT.

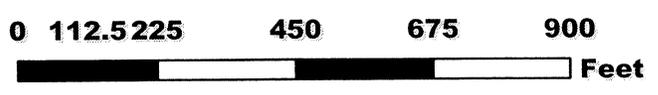
~425 FT.



Zoning/Vicinity Map

- Zoning
- Church
- School

601 W. Amador Avenue
 Parcel ID#: 02-05631
 Zoning: M-1/M-2
 Distance to nearest school: ~1,695 FT.
 Distance to nearest church: ~425 FT.



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From: Christine Logan
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 4:13 PM
Subject: RE: Review of Liquor License Application

The business is not yet in operation so no licensing is required.

From: Monica Campbell
Sent: Monday, July 06, 2009 9:21 AM
To: Christine Logan
Cc: Vicki Montez
Subject: Review of Liquor License Application

Attached is Alcohol & Gaming's letter and an application for the issuance of a Winegrower's liquor license to Amaro Winery, to be located at 601 W. Amador Ave., Las Cruces.

Please review the application and report on whether this business has obtained a business license and permits, if applicable.

In order to meet the time limits and publication deadlines imposed by law, I would appreciate it if you would submit your report no later than **July 16, 2009**.

Monica Campbell
City Attorney's Office
541-2128



Las Cruces Police Department

PO Box 20000
217 E. Picacho Ave.
Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004

Chief Harry Romero

DATE: July 10, 2009
TO: Fermin A. Rubio, City Attorney
From: Harry Romero, Chief of Police
Subject: Liquor License Application

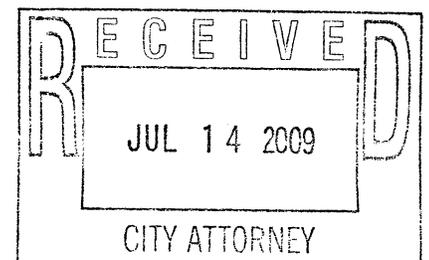
I have reviewed all available information obtained from the Las Cruces Police Department Records Department in reference to the attached liquor license application to Amaro Winery, LLC, DBA Amaro Winery, 601 W. Amador Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005

No anomalies were found that would warrant denial of this license; therefore, I recommend the liquor license application for Amaro Winery, LLC, DBA Amaro Winery, 601 W. Amador Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005



Harry Romero
Chief of Police

ycc





Interdepartmental Memorandum

TO: Fermin A. Rubio, City Attorney

FROM: Travis A. Brown, Deputy Chief

SUBJECT: Liquor License Review

DATE: July 16, 2009

FILE #:

Our department has reviewed the liquor license application for Amaro Winery, LLC, d/b/a Amaro Winery, located at 601 W. Amador Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

The location is an existing facility; however the above stated business is not currently in operation. Upon contacting a representative for Amaro Winery we were advised a portion of the existing building will be remodeled in the future to accommodate the winery. Any such remodel would require a building permit application at which time the plans would be reviewed for conformance with the 2006 International Fire Code (IFC) for a facility that serves alcoholic beverages.

Our department can not verify compliance with the adopted fire code for the City of Las Cruces at this time since the business requesting the license is not currently in existence.

Please contact me if you have questions or desire additional information.

Attachment 7

