2/21/12 Council: Items 66, 74 and 75

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February 20, 2012

Ms. Pauline Sumption City Finance Officer 300 Sixth Street Rapid City, SD 57701

Re:

Alcoholic Beverage License Applications, Agenda Items #74 and #75 Set for

February 21, 2012

Security License Appeal, Agenda Item #66

Dear Ms. Sumption:

I am outside general counsel for the Ifrits Hookah Lounge and its principals. On the agenda for tomorrow evening's City Council meeting are the items referenced above.

I am writing to advise the City that my client is withdrawing both applications for the transfer of the wine and malt beverage licenses, No. CC020612-04.2 and No. CC020612.04.3. Additionally, Mr. Desmond has elected not to continue his appeal of the denial of his application for a security license No. CC022112-04.1. Both of these actions are taken without prejudice to my clients' rights to re-file applications in the future deemed to be in their business interest.

Understanding that the agenda has been set, I will appear at the City Council meeting to confirm these developments and to advise the City Council that no action should be taken on these agenda items.

Very truly yours,

Stephen J. Wesolick

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c: Client



Charles (C. J.) Desmond cj@ifritshookahlounge.com mobile :: (605) 430 - 3773

February 10th, 2012

Pauline Sumption

City Finance Officer

Re: Denial of Security License for Charles Desmond

I have received a letter from Police Chief Steve Allender in which he denied my application for a Security License. I do feel aggrieved by Chief Allender's decision in regards to this matter.

I wish to appeal his decision to deny my application. I respectfully request that a hearing be scheduled with the Rapid City Common Council and that the issue be placed on the Council Agenda.

Sincerely,

Charles J. Desmond

Copy: Stephen Wesolick

John Murphy



RAPID CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Steve Allender, Chief of Police

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February 2, 2012

Mr. Charles Desmond 725 Saint Joseph Street Rapid City, SD 57701

Dear Mr. Desmond:

I have received and reviewed your application for a security license. Based on recent events such as the furnishing of alcohol to minors and the pending synthetic drug investigation I have determined that this application is denied.

You should be aware that I do not have the last say in this instance. If you feel aggrieved by my decision, you may contact Ms. Pauline Sumption, the Rapid City Finance Officer and ask that your situation be placed on the Council agenda for a hearing before the Rapid City Common Council. You must make this request within ten days of receipt of this letter and a hearing will be scheduled.

I also believe it is my duty to inform you that you do not have the right to provide security and that every day in which you provide this security is a separate count if you are charged. If you should have any questions please contact me.

Sincerely,

Steve Allender Chief of Police

Copy: Ms. Pauline Sumption

Rapid City Council Mayor Sam Kooiker

Larry Rose