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**MEMORANDUM
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

TO: Dennis E. Pauley, Mayor, City of Rock Island

SUBJECT: Liquor License Application
Re: Eleventh Street Mart, LLC

NUMBER: 11-33
DATE: 05/04/11

BACKGROUND:

On April 27th, 2006, Nasreen Akhter applied for a Class "A" liquor license for the location of 1520 11th Street, doing business as "Eleventh Street Mart, LLC". Ms. Akhter was listed as the owner / manager for the business. The application was denied by the Liquor Commissioner because of a moratorium issued by the City Council allowing no new license on 11th Street in Rock Island.

- On April 15th, 2009 Tricia Stidham applied for a Class "A" liquor license for the location of 1520 11th Street, doing business as "Eleventh Street Mart, LLC". Tricia Stidham was listed as the manager / agent for the business with Nasreen Akhter as the owner. The recommendation of the Office of Professional Standards at the time was for no liquor license to be issued due to a lack of required signatures of property owners in the area as well as the history of problems at the location when a previous liquor license existed. The liquor license was denied at that time, along with a request to waive the signature requirement.

On May 19th, 2010 Tricia Stidham again applied for a Class "A" liquor license for the location of 1520 11th Street, doing business as "Eleventh Street Mart, LLC". Tricia Stidham was listed as the manager / agent for the business with Nasreen Akhter as the owner. The recommendation of the Office of Professional Standards at that time was for no liquor license to be issued due to a lack of required signatures of property owners in the area. A public hearing was granted for Ms. Stidham requesting the signature requirement be waived. The signature requirement was waived by City Council, however incorrect information was provided on the application, specifically that the applicant had never been denied a liquor license in the past. The applicant was asked to submit a new application with the correct information.

On August 31st, 2010, a new application was submitted, however it indicated that Ramzan Ahmad was the owner / manager. This was a change from the previous application listing Nasreen Akhter as owner and Tricia Stidham as the manager. Ramzan Ahmad was also listed as the lessor and lessee of the property. As information on the application had changed, the applicant was informed this would constitute a new application, requiring another application fee.

On November 5th, 2010, Nasreen Akhter applied for a liquor license for the location of 1520 11th Street, doing business as "Eleventh Street Mart, LLC". No specific class of liquor license was requested as that page was not completed. Carol Eisentrager was listed as the manager for the business with Nasreen Akhter as the owner. No signatures were submitted with the license application, however a request for waiver of the signature requirements was included. The matter was scheduled to go before the city council on December 13th, 2010, however Nasreen Akhter withdrew her application.

In March of 2011 (so specific date given), Nasreen Akhter applied for a "Class A" liquor license for the location of 1520 11th Street, doing business as "Eleventh Street Mart, LLC". Carol Eisentrager is listed as the manager for the business with Nasreen Akhter as the owner.

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT:

The application indicates that this business is a Limited Liability Corporation; the liquor license application shows that the business is owned by Nasreen Akhter holding 100% ownership. The application listed the owners and manager for the business as follows.

Nasreen Akhter
Owner
D.O.B. 04/01/1966
4565 Amesbury Drive
Bettendorf, IA 52722
Telephone: (563) 355-4649

Carol A. Eisentrager
Manager
D.O.B. 03/03/1955
1411 11th Street
Rock Island, IL 61201
Telephone: (309) 278-3297

Using currently available information, I located no information that would prohibit either from obtaining a liquor license or managing a liquor licensed establishment.

On September 3rd, 2010, liquor liability insurance was obtained through Universal Insurance Group.

The applicant has filed with the Secretary of State articles of incorporation as required and currently is in good standing with that office. The applicant filed as Eleventh Street Mart, LLC.

I spoke with the inspections department and learned that there currently are no outstanding or pending complaints against the owners of the building. I also spoke with the Finance Department and the Community and Economic Development Department and learned that there are no outstanding debts to the city for this property.

Ms. Akhter provided a copy of a signed lease with the owner of the building, A.R. Petroleum, LLC, for a period of four years starting April 1st 2008, and ending March 31st, of 2012 with a five year option to renew.

Since the previous business did not hold a valid liquor license, the petition process would be required with this application. There are ten (10) properties within 40 feet immediately adjacent to or abutting on any side of the proposed location. All of the property owners of these locations would be required signatures for the petition process. The applicant was only able to obtain five (5) of the required ten (10) signatures. The attorney for Eleventh Street Mart included with the application a motion to waive the signature requirement.

Address	Owner	Signature Obtained	Signature Verified
1504 11 th Street	Anthony VanHecke	Yes	Yes
1509 11 th Street	Walter Skovronski	No	N/A
1515 11 th Street	Donald Gay	Yes	Yes
1519 11 th Street	Lyal Soseman	No	N/A
1527 11 th Street	Randy Snook	Yes	Yes
1531 11 th Street	Beverly Dickenson	No	N/A
1032 16 th Avenue	Daniel Dobbins	No	N/A
1028 16 th Avenue	Angilla Johnson/DHCU	Yes	Yes
1024 16 th Avenue	John/Nancy Whipple	No	N/A
1023 16 th Avenue	Keith Rice	Yes	Yes

There are a total of twenty-five (25) properties that would represent the frontage within 300 feet in each direction that the proposed location fronts. The applicant is required to obtain at least a majority of signatures representing the frontage, being thirteen (13) properties. The applicant was only able to obtain eleven (11) signatures.

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1531 11 th Street	Beverly Dickenson	No	N/A
1535 11 th Street	Sandra Gay	No	N/A
1539 11 th Street	Liandro Carrillo	No	N/A
1617 11 th Street	TR Holdings LC	No	N/A
1032 16 th Avenue	Daniel Dobbins	No	N/A
1028 16 th Avenue	Angilla Johnson/DHCU	Yes	Yes
1024 16 th Avenue	John/Nancy Whipple	No	N/A
1023 16 th Avenue	Keith Rice	Yes	Yes
1105 16 th Avenue	Margaret Woods	No	N/A
1030 17 th Avenue	Jose/Norma Calderon	No	N/A
1035 17 th Avenue	First Financial Group LC	Yes	No
1505-1507 11 th Street	Walter Skovronski	No	N/A
1501-1503 11 th Street	Kelly Thomas	Yes	Yes
1425-1427 11 th Street	Luether Gray	Yes	Yes
1419 11 th Street	L C Robinson	No	N/A
1417 11 th Street	Monica Dewith	Yes	Yes
1421 11 th Street	Contract Funding LLC	No	N/A
1404 11 th Street	Lucille Barnes	Yes	Yes
1031 15 th Avenue	Success Enterprises LLC	No	N/A
1520 11 th Street	A.R. Petroleum LLC	Yes	Yes

RECOMMENDATION:

As the applicant failed to obtain the necessary signatures of property owners required for this application, I would recommend that a Class "A" liquor license **not** be issued to this business.

Submitted by:

Timothy J. McCloud

Agent Timothy J. McCloud
Office of Professional Standards

APPROVED: _____

DISAPPROVED:

Scott D. Harris

Scott D. Harris
Chief of Police



May 27, 2011

Anthony VanHecke
1504 11th Street
Rock Island IL 61201

Dear Mr. VanHecke:

The Rock Island City Council has received a request from Nasreen Akhter, owner of the Eleventh Street Mart, LLC for a waiver of approval as set forth in the Code of City Ordinances in paragraph (j), Section 3.6, Chapter 3, governing liquor licenses, of which a copy is attached. The request for a waiver of approval is for a Class "A" Liquor License to be issued for a liquor licensed establishment (doing business as Eleventh Street Mart, LLC) to be located at 1520 11th Street, Rock Island, IL. 61201.

The Rock Island City Council will hold a public hearing on this request Monday, June 13, 2011 at 6:45 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Rock Island City Hall, 1528 - 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, Illinois. As the record owner of nearby or abutting property, you are invited to attend this hearing and express your views or submit written comments.

Any person, firm or corporation wishing to provide comments to the waiver of approval for a liquor license may attend the hearing or provide written comments. Any written comments must be filed with the City Clerk.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Aleisha L. Patchin'.

Aleisha L. Patchin
City Clerk

Enclosure

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May 27, 2011

Nasreen Akhter
Eleventh Street Mart, LLC
4565 Amesbury Drive
Bettendorf, IA 52722

Dear Ms. Akhter:

The matter concerning your liquor license application and waiver of approval for the Eleventh Street Mart, LLC located at 1520 11th Street, Rock Island, Illinois will be heard before the City Council at a Public Hearing on Monday, June 13, 2011 at 6:45 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Rock Island City Hall, 1528 - 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, Illinois.

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