

From: [Bill Kelly](#)
To: [*CI-StPaul_LH-Licensing](#)
Cc: [Alexa Golemo](#); mgcc@macgrove.org
Subject: Re: DATE CHANGE: License Hearing Notice - Best Of Best Quality Korean Fried Chicken - 1328 Grand Ave
Date: Tuesday, September 5, 2023 10:09:16 AM
Attachments: [City of Saint Paul Liquor License Letter 08312023.pdf](#)

Mr. Weiner

Attached find documents I would like placed in the record for the above entitled matter. I do plan on attending the hearing, and would like to discuss process and procedures with you prior to that meeting.

Please advise as to a good date and time to call this week.

Best Regards,

William Kelly
(612) 384-3848

On Tuesday, August 29, 2023 at 10:34:43 AM CDT, *CI-StPaul_LH-Licensing <lh-licensing@ci.stpaul.mn.us> wrote:

This hearing has been moved to **Monday, September 11, at 11am**. Updated Notice of License Hearing is attached.

Thanks,

Greg Weiner

Executive Assistant – Licensing Hearings

Saint Paul City Council

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From: *CI-StPaul_LH-Licensing
Sent: Monday, August 28, 2023 9:22 AM
To: 'Bill Kelly' <williamkellymsp@yahoo.com>
Cc: Alexa Golemo <alexa@macgrove.org>; 'mgcc@macgrove.org' <mgcc@macgrove.org>
Subject: License Hearing Notice - Best Of Best Quality Korean Fried Chicken - 1328 Grand Ave

Thank you for your interest in this License Application for Sohn Hee Eateries LLC, dba Best Of Best Quality Korean Fried Chicken, 1328 Grand Ave. See attached for License Hearing information.

Please let me know whether you will be attending, or if you have any questions.

Best,

Greg Weiner

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SAINT PAUL, MN 55105

September 5, 2023

Legislative Hearing Officer
310 City Hall
15 West Kellogg Blvd
Saint Paul, MN 55102

RE: License # 20230001030 - Sohn Hee Eateries, dba Best of Best Quality Korean Fried Chicken

To Whom It May Concern,

I write to object to the issuance of a license to serve liquor to the above establishment. My objections are as follows and include exhibits to illustrate those objections:

- **Exhibit 1:** There is a pre-existing drug and alcohol rehabilitation business that would now be *between the two liquor-serving establishments*. What kind of message does this send?
- **Exhibit 2:** There are already two (2) other restaurants that serve alcohol, including outside on the sidewalk, within two hundred (200) feet of the requesting establishment. In fact, one of the currently licensed establishments is two doors down from this one in the same strip of buildings. Adding another liquor resource is unnecessarily redundant.
- **Exhibit 3:** Note the proximity to a row of apartment buildings. Another bar has the potential to disrupt the peace of many people as opposed to single family dwellings. It may very well increase the need for a police presence due to unruly and/or illegal alcohol-driven behavior (e.g. public urination, disorderly conduct, lewd behavior, etc.). By the way, only one notice of licensure was addressed to each building. None were sent to any individual residents in the buildings. There might have been greater participation in this hearing had individual notices been sent.
- **Exhibit 4:** Currently nowhere else on Grand Avenue is there such a concentration of liquor-serving establishments, let alone in close proximity to a high number of apartment buildings. It also puts additional stresses on parking in a high-density apartment area where on-street parking is already in short supply due to the activities of the current restaurant business traffic. Black dots indicate liquor-serving establishments, blue dots indicate liquor stores. As you can readily see, our neighborhood is already “well-served.”

I urge the City of Saint Paul to deny this license for the valid reasons stated above.

Best Regards,

William Kelly
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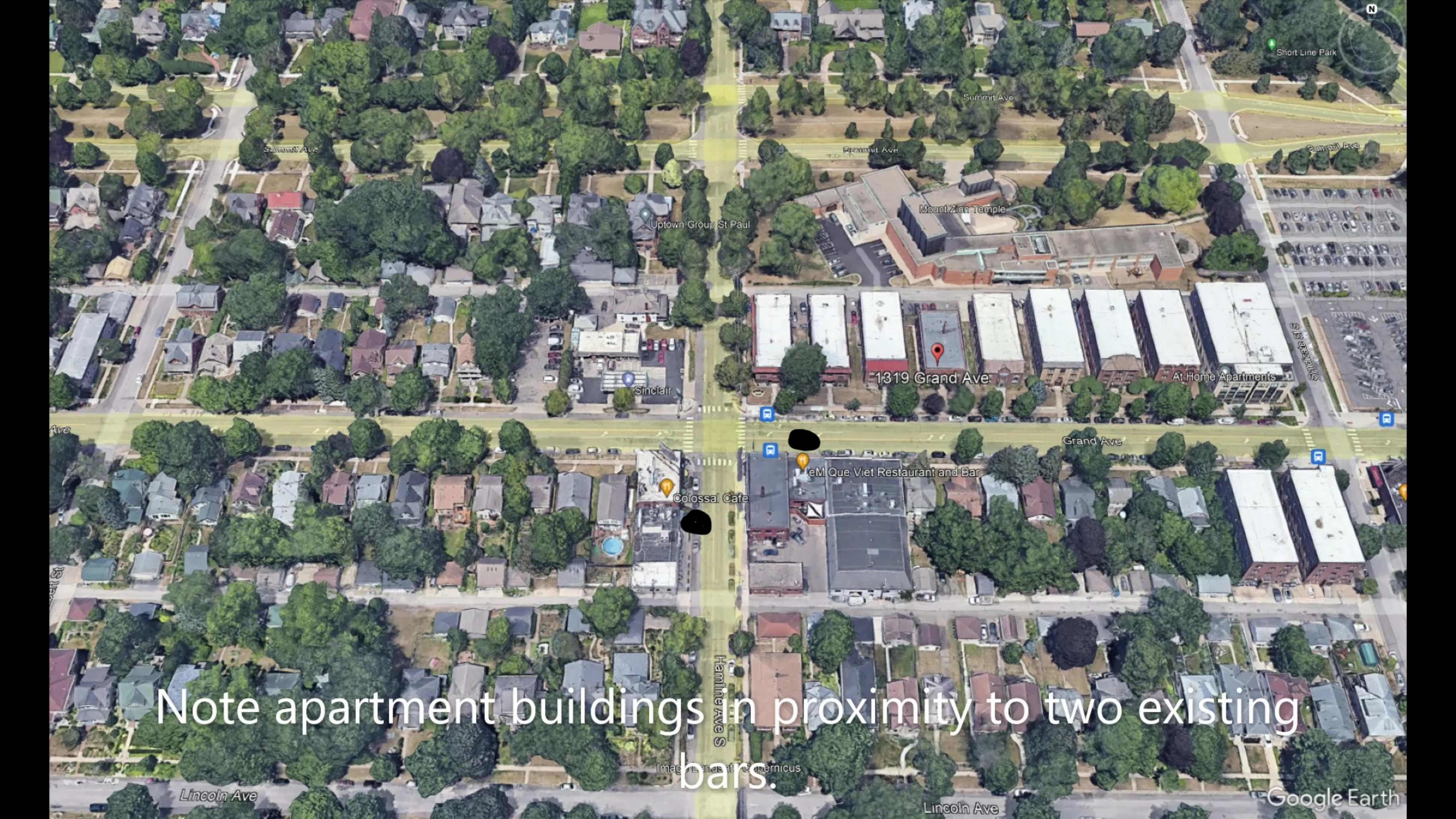
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Note addiction rehabilitation agency between existing bar and restaurant applying to have a bar.



Note Green Mill with bar to far right on west side of Hamline Ave



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Short Line Park

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Mount Zion Temple

Uptown Group St Paul

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1319 Grand Ave

At Home Apartments

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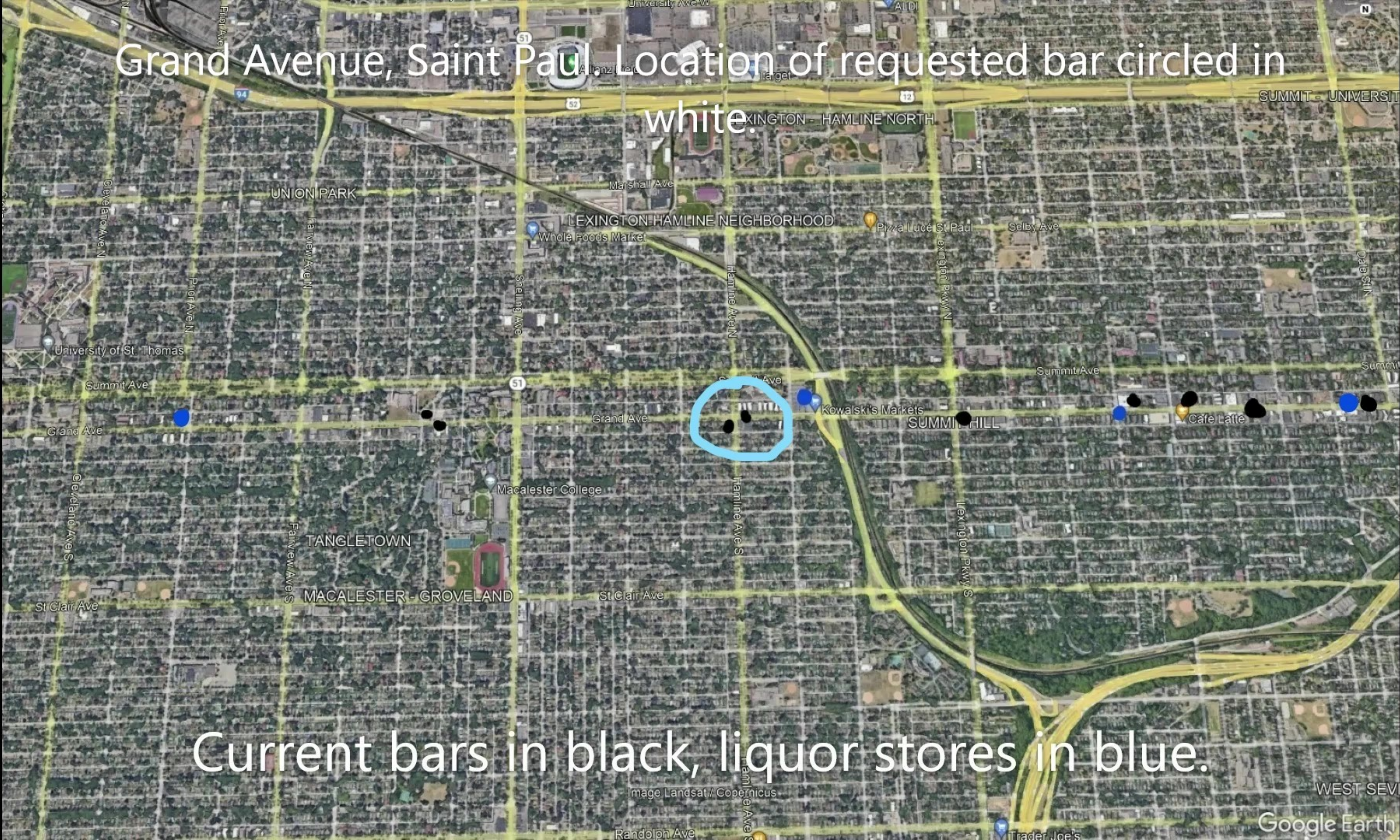
Note apartment buildings in proximity to two existing bars.

Lincoln Ave

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Google Earth

Grand Avenue, Saint Paul. Location of requested bar circled in white.



Current bars in black, liquor stores in blue.