

PAYNE PHALEN DISTRICT FIVE PLANNING COUNCIL

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April 4, 2014

Lawrence R. Zangs, Project Facilitator
Dept. of Safety and Inspection
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Re: District Council support for a 45-day notice waiver for Prom Catering and upgrade from an existing Wine On Sale and Malt On Sale (Strong) license to a Liquor On Sale - 181-290 Seats and Liquor On Sale – Sunday license, and add an Entertainment (B) license.


Dear Mr. Zangs:

The Payne Phalen District Five Planning Council (District Five Council) recommends to the City that it grant a 45-day notice requirement waiver and offers full support for the license and proposed conditions. The District Five Council held its Community Planning and Economic Development Committee (CPED) monthly meeting on April 1, 2014. The meeting was chaired by David Syers in the excused absence of Chair, Jonathan Bohn. A quorum was met and the meeting was well attended.

The CPED Committee reviewed the liquor license application and heard from Prom Catering and St. Paul Parks and Recreation staff. The CPED Committee reviewed the City proposed conditions on the license, heard of the applicant's agreement to these conditions and voted unanimously to support a request to the City of Saint Paul for both the **45-day notice waiver** and the license application with conditions.

The District Five Planning Council has previously met with Parks and Recreation Department Director Mike Hahm and Susie Odegard when the City initiated its management agreement with Prom Catering to manage Phalen golf course. At that time, the District Five Council voiced its strong support of parks facilities management that provides excellent stewardship and maintenance of this Park and it's many regional amenities and recreation opportunities. Creating an economically sustainable plan for the Golf program is important to the Park's sustainability. Prom Catering is now in its full management role and have applied for a liquor license for the Phalen Golf Course Clubhouse which will then be used by Prom for its catering and concession services. There has been a wine and 3.2 beer license at the Clubhouse. The District Council has no record of past neighborhood complaints at this location, nor has the Council office received any community concerns voiced regarding the current proposed license. The Council Office has heard several comments in support of the application from neighbors who live near the golf course area.

Please contact me with any questions about this support for the 45-day notice waiver and the license application and associated conditions.

Sincerely, 
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Executive Director

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