

April 10, 2023

NOTICE OF COUNCIL HEARING

Ali Abdullane & Mohammed Ibrahim d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 1333 Thomas Avenue Saint Paul, MN 55104

RE: Tobacco Shop license held by Mohammed Ibrahim & Ali Abdullane d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 located at 1333 Thomas Avenue in Saint Paul License ID #20160003307

Dear Mr. Abdullane:

Please take notice that this matter has been set on the Council Hearing Agenda for a City Council meeting on **Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.,** in the City Council Chambers, Third Floor, Saint Paul City Hall and Ramsey County Courthouse, 15 West Kellogg Boulevard, St. Paul, MN 55102.

Enclosed is a copy of the letter we received on March 10, 2023, indicating that you were not contesting the facts related to the incident, but was requesting the opportunity to address the Council regarding the penalty, the resolution and any supporting documents. This information will be presented to City Council for their consideration.

This is an uncontested license matter related to a complaint-based inspection on February 2, 2023, where an inspector from the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) discovered prohibited flavored tobacco products in the licensed premises in violation of Saint Paul Legislative Code §324.07 (j). This is a second violation.

The licensing office will recommend revocation of your Tobacco Shop license.

CITY OF SAINT PAUL MELVIN CARTER, MAYOR





Sincerely,

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Therese Skarda Assistant City Attorney License No. 0240989

Enclosure: April 26, 2023, Public Hearing Packet

cc: Abdullane Ali, 630 Cleveland Avenue SW, New Brighton, MN 55112 Embassy Thomas, LLC, 520 Wilson Rd #150, Edina, MN 55424 Sarah O'Brien, Executive Director, Hamline Midway Coalition, 1558 Minnehaha West Saint Paul, MN 55104

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COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

Julie Kraus, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the 11th day of April she served the attached NOTICE OF COUNCIL HEARING and a correct copy thereof in an envelope addressed as follows:

Ali Abdullane & Mohammed Ibrahim d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 1333 Thomas Avenue Saint Paul, MN 55104

Abdullane Ali 630 Cleveland Avenue SW New Brighton, MN 55112

Embassy Thomas, LLC 520 Wilson Rd #150 Edina, MN 55424

Sarah O'Brien, Executive Director Hamline Midway Coalition 1558 Minnehaha West Saint Paul, MN 55104

(which is the last known address of said person) depositing the same, with postage prepaid, in the United States mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Mie Kraus

Subscribed and sworn to before me This 11th day of April 2023

Notary Public

KAREN M. DOUMANY & Notary Public-Minnesota My Commission Expires Jan 31, 2025

UNCONTESTED LICENSE MATTER

Licensee Name:

Mohammed Ibrahim & Ali Abdullane

d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002

Address:

1333 Thomas Avenue

Saint Paul, MN 55104

Council Date:

Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

Violation:

On February 2, 2023, during a complaint inspection of the licensed premises, an inspector discovered prohibited flavored tobacco products in violation of Saint Paul Legislative Code

§324.07 (j). This is a second violation.

Recommendation of Assistant City Attorney on behalf of client, Department of Safety and Inspections:

Revocation of Tobacco Shop License.

Attachments:

- 1. Resolution
- 2. City of Saint Paul Department of Safety and Inspections Complaint received 2/27/2023 (1 page)
- 3. Inspector's Report with photographs dated 2/2/2023 (13 pages)
- 4. Notice of Violation and Request for Revocation o License dated 2/27/2023 (5 pages)
- 5. Letter from licensee requesting a public hearing received 3/10/2023 (2 pages)
- 6. Inspector's Report with attachments dated 5/12/2022 (11 pages)
- 7. Notice of Violation and Request for Imposition of a 10-day Suspension of your License dated 5/25/2022 (4 pages)
- 8. Notice of City Council Action with Signature Copy of RES 22-962 dated 6/27/2022 (3 pages)
- 9. ECLIPS Screens for License ID# 20160003307 dated 2/13/2023 & 2/14/2023 (5 pages)
- 10. STAMP Ownership/Zoning Information
- 11. Saint Paul Legislative Code § 324.07 (j)
- 12. Saint Paul Legislative Code § 324.10 (b)(2)

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Approving adverse action against the Tobacco Shop License held by Mohammed Ibrahim & Ali Abdullane d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 (License ID# 20160003307), at 1333 Thomas Avenue in Saint Paul. (Licensee will speak to Council on his own behalf)

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WHEREAS, the Tobacco Shop license ("License") held by Mohammed Ibrahim & Ali Abdullane d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 (License ID# 20160003307) at 1333 Thomas Avenue in Saint Paul ("Licensed Premises") was the subject of a Notice of Violation and Request for Revocation of License, herein incorporated as Exhibit 1 ("Notice") sent February 27, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Notice alleged, that during a complaint-based inspection on February 2, 2023, a DSI inspector observed and documented with a report and photographs prohibited flavored tobacco products found by the Minnesota Department of Revenue (MDR) on the license premises in violation of Saint Paul Legislative Code section 324.07(j); and

WHEREAS, under the penalty matrix contained in Saint Paul Legislative Code section 324.10(b)(2), the presumptive penalty for a second violation of section 324.07(j) is revocation of the license; and

WHEREAS, the Notice stated that if the Licensee failed to request a public or administrative hearing by February 22, 2023, that the matter would be placed on the next available consent agenda to impose the recommended penalty; and

WHEREAS, On March 10, 2023, the licensee's responded to the Notice of Violation and Request for Revocation of License by letter requesting a public hearing before City Council; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Tobacco Shop license held by Mohammed Ibrahim & Ali Abdullane d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 (License ID# 20160003307), for the premises located at 1333 Thomas Avenue is hereby revoked for selling prohibited flavored tobacco products on the licensed premises as documented during a complaint-based inspection on February 2, 2023.

City of Saint Paul Department of S	Safety and Inspections C	omplaint 2/2	27/23 7:52AI	M Page 1 of 1		
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1333 THOMAS AVE	Census Block: 4010	5200 Willson	Rd # 150 Edina N	IN 55424-1300		
1333 THOMAS AVE	Homesteader:					
	Tax Owner:					
Legal Desc: SYNDICATE NO. 5	ADDITION LOTS 16 AND	LOT 17 BLK 15				
Complainant:						
Details: Tobacco: selling fl	Details: Tobacco: selling flavored tobacco products - Newport Menthol without Tax Stamps					
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DSI Licensing Response - Sch	eduled Date: 1/31/23					
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Inspector Assigned: Joseph Voyd	a, Phone: 651-266-9014					
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375 Jackson Street, Suite 220 Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806 Tel: 651-266-8989 | Fax: 651-266-9124

Inspector's Report

	Inspectors Name: Allan	Vang				
	Date & Time: 2/2/2023 at 2:49 PM		Staff Member's Name:			
	Business/DBA Name: Annapolis Super USA # 002					
	Property Address: 1333 Thomas Avenue					
	Reason for Visit: Complaint Inspection					
	Observations: Flavor tobacco products					
		✓ Yes □No – Area(s) o	where the Photo(s) where taken:			
of flavor	tobacco products					
	Action Taken:	\square Education / warning				
		☑ Request for Adverse	Action			
	Other:					

Details of Conversations (Statements to and by Person Responsible for Property):

Upon arrival I was met by the clerk who refused to provide his name and stated that the owner will be here shortly to speak with us. I introduced myself as Allan Vang licensing inspector for the City of Saint Paul Department of Safety & Inspection (DSI). I was here to follow-up on a complaint that DSI had received. The clerk acknowledged, he continued to state that the owner will be here shortly and he walked away while trying to dial someone on a cell phone. I then continued to approach Lindsay Rivard who is from the State of MN Revenue that was already on location for a complaint that they received, she also discovered other State Statutes violations. Continuing my inspection flavor tobacco products where laid out on top of the glass counter that Lindsay found. Lindsay stated that she will be taking those products with her due to the fact that the products were not on any of the invoices.

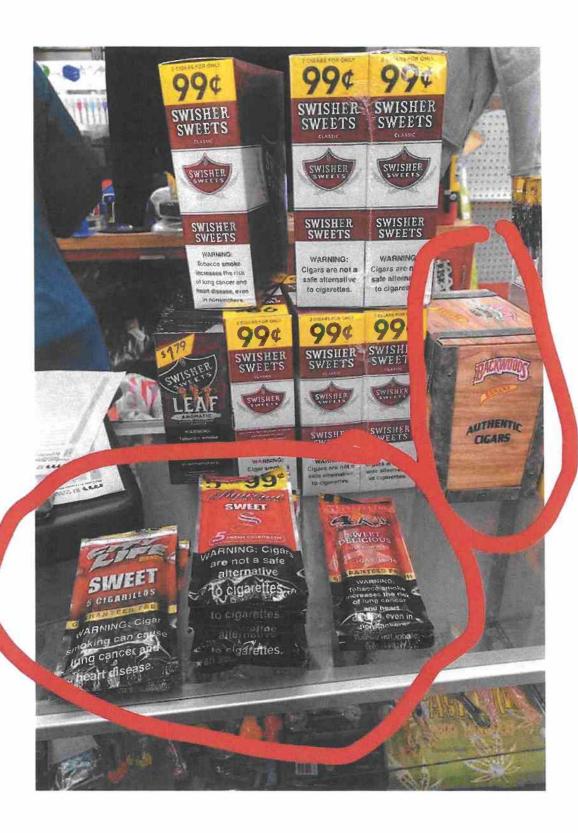
I took photos of the flavor tobacco products and asked the clerk to bag or box up the other flavor tobacco products violations that the State of MN will not be taking with them. The clerk placed the flavor tobacco products that were in a back room away from the front counter. I educated the clerk on flavor tobacco products and why they were violations. There were a few products that was in question and informed the clerk that I would refer the questionable products to another Inspector within DSI. On the way back to the front of the store I encountered Abdullane Ali the license holder, I introduced myself to him and he stated "we are racist and we just want to shut his business down, for us (government) to take everything from the store". He also stated that, "I will bring my license back to us (DSI/City) because we are running him out of his business already."

Violations found: (1) box of Backwood Banana Authentic Cigars, Sweet, one (1) box of Dutch OG Fusion, one (1) box of Dutch Sweet Fusion Red, three (3) pack of Natural American Spirit black box cigarettes and two (2) box of Al Capone Sweet Cognac Dipped.

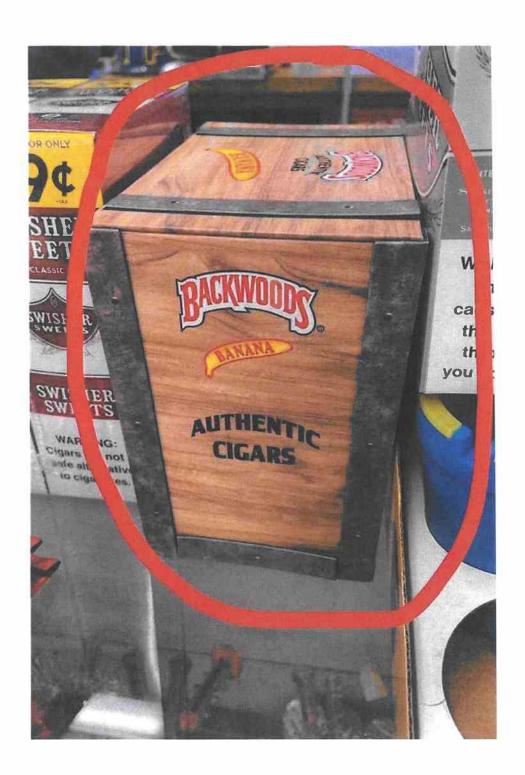
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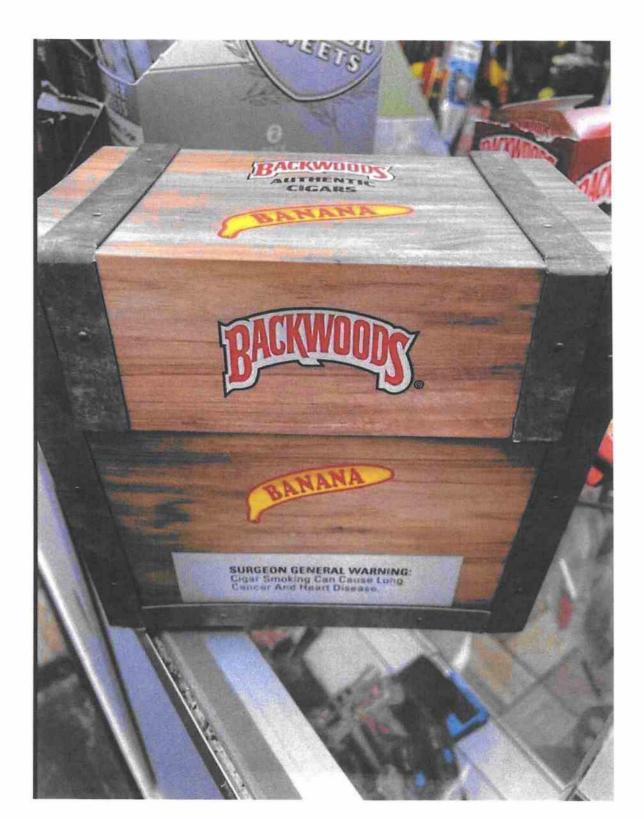




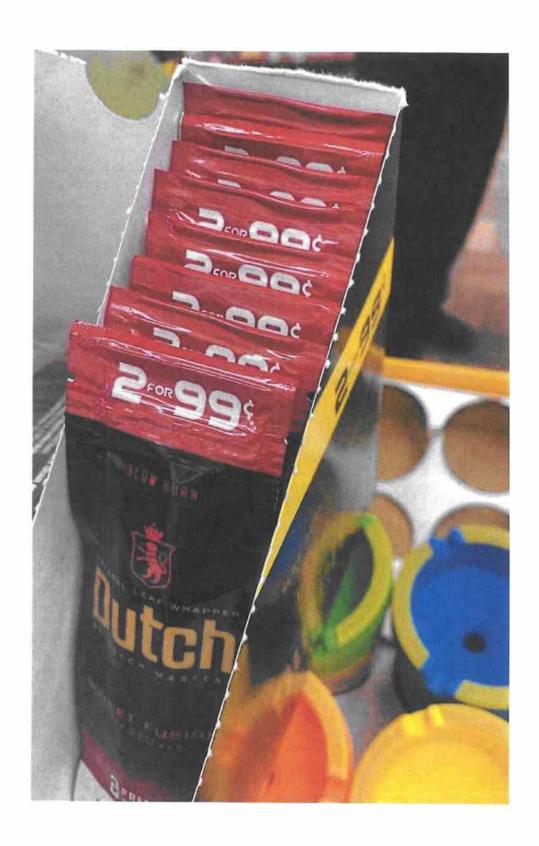




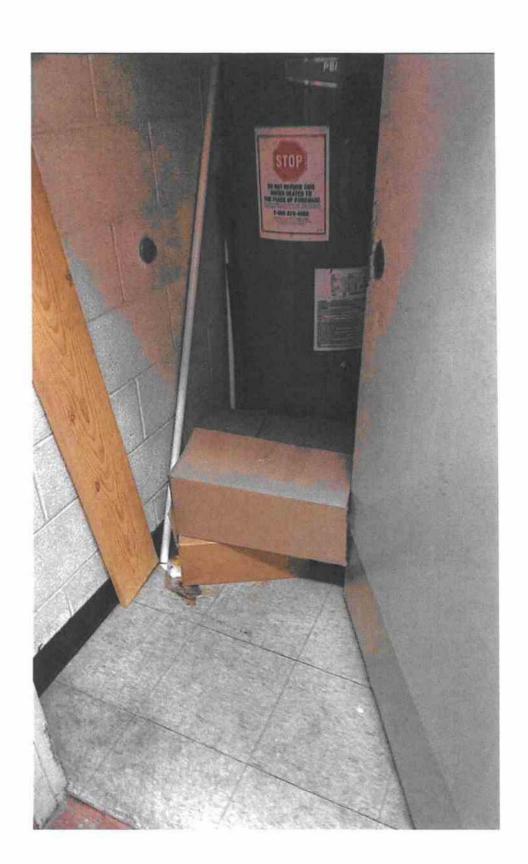




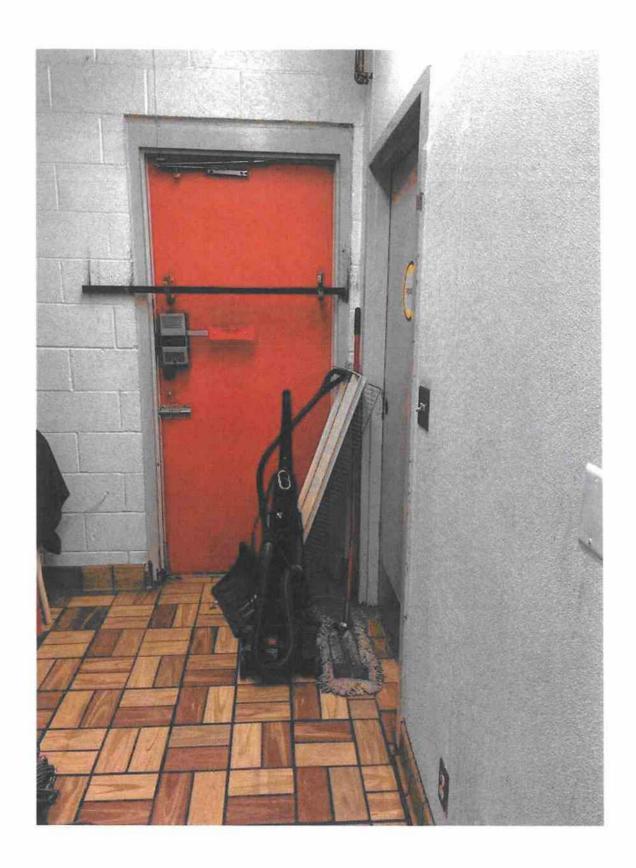














February 27, 2023

REQUEST FOR REVOCATION OF LICENSE

Mohammed Ibrahim & Ali Abdullane d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 1333 Thomas Avenue Saint Paul, MN 55104

RE:

Tobacco Shop license held by Mohammed Ibrahim d/b/a Ali Abdullane, for the premises located at 1333 Thomas Avenue in Saint Paul.

License ID #: 20160003307

Dear Licensee:

The Department of Safety and Inspections (the "Department") is recommending adverse action against the Cigarette/Tobacco license held by Mohammed Ibrahim & Ali Abdullane d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 (the "Licensee"), for the premises located at 1333 Thomas Avenue in Saint Paul (the "Licensed Premises") for a second flavored tobacco violation.

Saint Paul Legislative Code section 324.07(j) prohibits a tobacco licensee from selling, offering for sale, or otherwise distributing any flavored tobacco products.

Saint Paul Legislative Code section 324.10(b)(2) sets the presumptive penalties for violations of provisions of the Legislative Code relating to the display, possession, or multiple incidents of sales of menthol or flavored tobacco products. Under section 324.10(b)(2), the presumptive penalty for a second violation within a 24-month period is revocation of the license.

Records from the Department show that on February 2, 2023, during a complaint inspection of the Licensed Premises, an inspector discovered prohibited flavored tobacco products.

CITY OF SAINT PAUL MELVIN CARTER, MAYOR





The Department asserts that the following facts, along with photos of the violations attached herein, constitute proof of a second violation of section 324.07(j) of the Saint Paul Legislative Code by preponderance of the evidence.

Synopsis of Alleged Facts:

Records from the Department show the following violations

On May 12, 2022, a Department inspector conducted an inspection of the Licensed Premises and found multiple flavored tobacco products. Based on these findings, the Department recommended adverse action against your Tobacco Shop license and a 10-Day suspension of your license. The license was suspended from June 29, 2022, until July 9, 2022.

On February 2, 2023, Department Inspector Allan Vang ("Vang") went to the Licensed Premises to investigate a complaint related to the sale of prohibited flavored tobacco products. Inspector Vang entered the Licensed Premises and introduced himself to the clerk who refused to provide his name.

The clerk stated that the Licensee was not present and that he would be at the store shortly. Vang met with Inspector Lindsay Rivard from the Minnesota Department of Revenue (MDR) who was also at the licensed premises for a complaint inspection. During the inspection, Vang observed and documented with a report and photographs, prohibited flavored tobacco products found by Rivard. Specifically, one (1) box of Backwood Banana Authenic Cigars, one (1) box of Dutch OG fusion, one (1) box of Dutch Sweet Fusion Red, three (3) packs of Natural American Spirit black box cigarettes, and two (2) box of Al Capone Sweet Cognac Dipped. Once Department Inspectors concluded their investigation, Vang advised the clerk to place all flavored products into a bag or box. After placing all flavored products in a back room, the clerk was educated on the violations. Vang encountered the Licensee Abdullane Ali who stated to him that we were racist and we just wanted to shot his business down and for us to take everything from the store. The Licensee also stated "I will bring my license back to us because we are running him out of business. Vang understood the "we" and "us" in this comment to mean the government.

CITY OF SAINT PAUL MELVIN CARTER, MAYOR



You have three (3) options to proceed:

1. If you do not contest the imposition of the proposed adverse action, you may do nothing. If I have not heard from you by **March 13, 2023**, I will presume that you have chosen not to contest the proposed adverse action and the matter will be placed on the City Council Consent Agenda for revocation of your license.

- 2. If you wish to admit the facts but you contest the revocation of your license, you may have a public hearing before the Saint Paul City Council. You will need to send me a letter with a statement admitting to the facts and requesting a public hearing no later than **March 13, 2023**. The matter will then be scheduled before the City Council to determine whether to revoke the license. You will have an opportunity to appear before the Council and make a statement.
- 3. If you dispute the facts outlined above, you may request a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge (the "ALJ"). You will need to send me a letter disputing the facts and requesting an administrative hearing no later than **March 13, 2023**. At that hearing, both you and the City will appear and present witnesses and evidence and cross-examine each other's witnesses. After receipt of the ALJ's report (usually within 30 days), a public hearing will need to be scheduled. At the public hearing, the City Council will decide whether to adopt, modify, or reject the ALJ's report and recommendation.

Please note: If you choose an administrative hearing, the Department reserves the right to request that City Council impose the costs of the administrative hearing, per Saint Paul Legislative Code section 310.03(k).

If you have not contacted me by March 13, 2023, I will assume that you do not contest the Revocation of your license. In that case, the matter will be placed on the City Council Consent Agenda for approval of the recommended penalty.

Sincerely,

Therese Skarda

Assistant City Attorney

License No.: 0240989

CITY OF SAINT PAUL MELVIN CARTER, MAYOR





cc: Embassy Thomas LLC, 5200 Wilson Rd #150, Edina, MN 55424

Mohamed Ibrahim, 1333 Thomas Ave., Saint Paul, MN 55104-2545 Abdullane Ali, 630 Cleveland Avenue SW, New Brighton, MN 55112

Sarah O'Brien, Executive Director, Hamline Midway Coalition, 1558 Minnehaha Avenue W.,

Saint Paul, MN 55104

Attachments: Inspector's Report

Licensee Information on Eclips System

License Group Conditions Text Adverse Action Comments Text License Group Comments Text

Copy of Complaint

STAMP - Ownership/Zoning Information

Photos of Tobacco Products

Copy of May 25, 2022 Notice of Violation

Copy of June 27, 2022 Notice of City Council Action for 10-Day Suspension

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COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

Shawn McDonald, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the 27th day of February, he served the attached **NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND REQUEST FOR REVOCATION OF LICENSE** and a correct copy thereof in an envelope addressed as follows:

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Mohamed Ibrahim 1333 Thomas Ave. Saint Paul, MN 55104-2545

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Sarah O'Brien, Executive Director Hamline Midway Coalition 1558 Minnehaha Avenue W. Saint Paul, MN 55104

(which is the last known address of said person) depositing the same, with postage prepaid, in the United States mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Shawn McDonald

Subscribed and sworn to before me This 27th day of February 2023

Notary Public

JULIE ANNE KRAUS Notary Public-Minnesota My Commission Expires Jan 31, 2025

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City of Saint Paul
Office of the city attorney

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CITY ATTORNEY

Civil Division

Therese Skarda

15 Kellogg Blvd. West, 400 City Hall

Saint Paul, MN 55102

Phone 651-266-8710/ fax 651-298-5619

I would like to pass my deepest greeting to the city civil division, and I am contesting to the fact that I received from you. I would like to schedule public hearing before the city council because the items they found shouldn't make me loss my license and mistake will happen as a city, they should have the way to accommodate this issue based the scale of the violation.

My License ID 20160003307

d/b/a Annapolis Super USA

1333 Thomas ave

Saint Paul, MN 55104

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375 Jackson Street, Suite 220 Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806 Tel: 651-266-8989 | Fax: 651-266-9124

Inspector's Report

Inspectors Name: Joseph Voyda					
Date & Time: 5/12/202	2 - 2:35pm	Staff Member's Name: Saleem (clerk)			
Business/DBA Name: Annapolis Super USA #002					
Property Address: 1333 Thomas Avenue					
Reason for Visit: Complaint Inspection					
Observations: Selling Flavored Tobacco Products					
<u>Photos Taken:</u> shelving	⊠ Yes □No – Area(s)	of where the Photo(s) where taken: Behind the counter and			
Action Taken:	☐ Education / warning ☑ Request for Advers				
Other: -					

Details of Conversations (Statements to and by Person Responsible for Property):

Upon arrival on May 12, 2022 at 1:45pm I spoke with the clerk Saleem I introduced myself as a licensing Inspector for the City of Saint Paul with Department of Safety and Inspections. I explained I was there for an inspection from a complaint that was received by DSI for flavor tobacco product being sold.

In plain sight located behind the counter/cash register and in glass cabinets were multiple flavor tobacco product violations (see attached photos – 3 pages total), hidden under the cash register in a bag and hidden under a shirt box were menthol products intended for sale (see listed products below). I asked Saleem if there were any other flavor products that were present or hidden, Saleem response was "no, I don't know anything I just work here". Continuing the inspection, I advised Saleem to move all tobacco products that were flavor violations to be placed into the back storge room. I spoke and advised the license holder Mohammed Ibrahim to call the distributor for a pickup. I educated Saleem on the flavor violations that were discovered.

Types of flavored tobacco products:

Menthol - seven (7) 'Golden Harvest' menthol cigar pipe bags

'American Spirits' - Black

'Camel Snus' - Robust

'Copenhagen' - Wintergreen one (1) log

'Grizzly' - Wintergreen one (1) tin

'Kodiak' - Wintergreen two (2) tins

'Al Fakher' - Two Apples

'Afandina' - Hookah Tobacco Charcaol

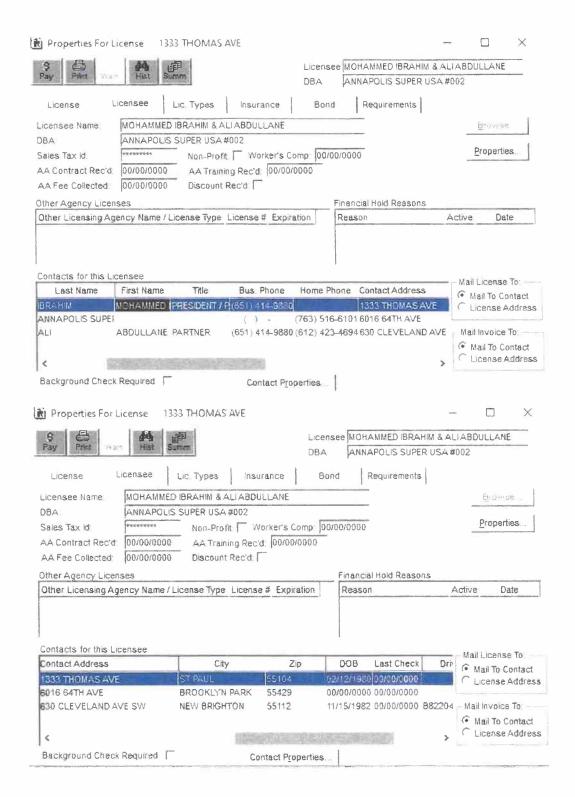
'Al Capone' - Cognac

'Juicy' - bucket of rolling papers - Assorted aray of flavors to include but not limited to - Coconut, Black Magic, Mint Orange, Lemon, Bubble Gum, Absinth, Watermelon, Jamaican Rum, Blackberry Brandy, Peaches and Cream, Blueberry Hill, Mello Mango, Strawberry Skunk etc.

'High Hemp' - rolling papers - plain

Delta 8 Vape Pens:

'OZE' - Orange, Peppermint, Lemon & Tropical



STAMP - Ownership / Zoning Information

New Search

Help using this report

Run Date:

05/17/22 11:00 AM

House#:

Last updated from Ramsey County data

on

Street Name:

Click on "Other Application" links below to access GISmo, Map(T, and Ramsey County Info

1333 Thomas Ave - Superusa - 55104-2545 - Other Applications

PIN: 342923120204

Census Track: 32300 Census Block: 4010

Foundation Sq Feet: Loan Company:

Council Ward: 4 District Council: 11

Land Value: 93700 Building Value: 231300

Unverified Usage: 10- GENERAL RETAIL & SVC- B- Commercial

ISP:

Units:

Zoning: T2

Year Built:

Legal Desc: SYNDICATE NO. 5 ADDITION SYNDICATE NO. 5 ADDITION LOTS 16 AND LOT 17 BLK 15

Owner:

Embassy Thomas Llc 5200 Willson Rd # 150 Edina MN 55424-1300

Tax Owner:

Embassy Thomas Llc 5200 Willson Rd # 150 Edina MN

Certificate of Occupancy Responsible Party:

Mohamed Ibrahim 1333 Thomas Ave St Paul MN 55104-2545 763-516-6101 Licensee: MOHAMMED IBRAHIM & ALI ABDULLANE

06/27/2017 FAILED tobacco compliance checks BLB

DBA: ANNAPOLIS SUPER USA #002

License #: 20160003307

2/7/2022 Sent email with deadline to pay/renew by 2/11/2022 - or will send to the CAO for Suspension JNV 2/2/2022 Spoke with the LH he'll pay license fee to renew via phone today JNV 8/10/2021 Youth Tobacco compliance pass KY 12/04/2020 Delinquent letter sent. Response deadline date is December 25, 2020. SLH 2/4/2020 Fine Paid - entered by JNV 12/31/19 TO CAO for suspension KS 12/31/19 spoke to licensee and he said his license didn't expire. Linformed it had and he hung up on me KS 12/25/2019 No response to dinqt. Itr. to KS for follow-up. JWF 12/02/2019 Sent delinquent letter. Response deadline date is December 23, 2019, Max 6/12/19 Youth tobacco compliance check, pass, ARM 4/24/19 Tobacco compliance check failed flavors ARM 12/04/2018 Sent delinquent letter. Response deadline date is December 26, 2018. Max 10/29/2018 Re-tobacco education per our agreement for settlement JNV 108/25/2018 Cig sales \$750.00 fine paid. AMW 10/8/2018 - licensee owes \$750 fine per settlement EVH 7/25/18 Tobacco youth compliance check pass / Re-inspection of flavors failed - flavored cigars JNV 7/19/2018 Sent to CAO for adverse JNV 4/23/2018 Tobacco education / inspection Fait Flavor cigars and wraps. JV Paid delinquent on 1/4/18 KS 1/2/18 To CAO for adverse action. KS 01/02/2018 No response to dingt letter, to KS for CA adverse action. JWF 12/01/2017 Sent delinquent letter. Response deadline date is 22 2017 Max 08/31/2017 pased tobacco compliance recheck BLB 08/25/2017 Received \$50.00 matrix penalty from Jemal Usman for failed compliance check. MN

08/25/2017 Received \$200.00 matrix penalty for failed compliance check MN 08/23/2017 CF #\$17-1242 imposes \$200 matrix penalty for underage tob. sale on 06/27/2017 JWF

11/02/2016 Letter sent submitted signed tease and bus, purch, agmnt, response date 11/21/2016 JWF 09/27/2016 Written orders issued submitted signed lease and bus, purch, agmnt, recheck 10/29/2016. JWF

Adverse Action Comments Text 05/17/2022

Licensee: MOHAMMED IBRAHIM & ALI ABDULLANE

DBA: ANNAPOLIS SUPER USA #002

License #: 20160003307

2/4/2020 Fine Paid - entered by JNV

1/28/2020- Notice of intent to suspend sent with an 2/11/2020 deadline to suspend. SM

10/19/2018 - Sent letter ret fine payment due date

17/2020- Notice of intent to suspend sent with an 2/11/2020 deadline to suspend. SM

10/19/2018 - Sent letter re: fine payment due date of Oct. 29 EVH

10/8/2018 - Sent Notice of Violation with an 8/17/2018 deadline to respond. JAK

8/7/2018 - Sent Notice of Violation with an 8/17/2018 deadline to respond. JAK

8/25/2017 - \$200.00 matrix penalty paid, JAK

8/23/2017 - Council adopted adverse action. OSI to send letter. JAk

8/8/2017 - Entered resolution and attachments into Legistar (RES #17-1242) for 8/23/2017 Consent Agenda. JAK

7/19/2017 - Sent Notice of Violation (licensee) and Notice of Administrative Fine (clerk) for tobacco compliance failure on 6/27/2017 with a 7/31/2017

deadline to respond. JAK

Requirement Comments Text

05/17/2022

Licensee: MOHAMMED IBRAHIM & ALI ABDULLANE

DBA:

ANNAPOLIS SUPER USA #002

License #: 20160003307

2/10/2022 Licensee will email W/C in. zl 01/10/2019 Sent e-mail requesting wc form. LAB License Group Conditions Text 05/17/2022

Licensee: MOHAMMED IBRAHIM & ALI ABDULLANE

DBA: ANNAPOLIS SUPER USA #002

License #: 20160003307

^{1.} Temporary window signs placed between the height of four (4) to seven (7) feet above grade shall not cover more than thirty (30) percent of this window space area, and cannot block views into the clerk or cashier station















Civil Division, 15 Kellogg Blvd. West, 400 City Hall Saint Paul, MN 55102 Tel: 651-266-8710 | Fax: 651-298-5619

May 25, 2022

NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND REQUEST FOR IMPOSITION OF A 10-DAY SUSPENSION OF YOUR LICENSE

Mohammed Ibrahim and Abdullane Ali d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 1333 Thomas Avenue Saint Paul, MN 55104

RE: Cigarette/Tobacco license held by Mohammad Ibrahim and Abdullane Ali, d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002, for the premises located at 1333 Thomas Avenue in Saint Paul. License ID #: 20160003307

Dear Licensee:

The Department of Safety and Inspections (the "Department") is recommending adverse action against the Cigarette/Tobacco license held by Mohammad Ibrahim and Abdullane Ali, d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002, for the premises located at 1333 Thomas Avenue in Saint Paul (the "Licensed Premises") for a first-time flavor tobacco product violation.

Saint Paul Legislative Code section 324.07(j) prohibits a licensee from selling, offering for sale, or otherwise distributing any flavored tobacco products.

Saint Paul Legislative Code section 324.10(b)(2) sets the presumptive penalties for violations of provisions of the Legislative Code relating to the display, possession, or multiple incidents of sales of menthol or flavored tobacco products. Under section 324.10(b)(2), the presumptive penalty for a first-time violation is a 10-day license suspension.

The Department asserts that the following facts, along with photos of the violations attached herein, constitute proof of a violation of section 324.07(j) of the Saint Paul Legislative Code by a preponderance of the evidence.

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CITY OF SAINT PAUL MELVIN CARTER, MAYOR STPAUL GOV





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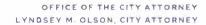
Synopsis of Alleged Facts:

On May 12, 2022, Department Inspector Voyda went to the Licensed Premises for a complaint inspection. Inspector Voyda spoke with the store clerk, Saleem, and informed him that the Department received a complaint of the business selling flavored tobacco products. During the inspection, Inspector Voyda observed and photographed multiple flavored tobacco products that were located in glass cabinets and behind the counter/cash register. He also found flavored tobacco products that were hidden under the cash register in a bag and menthol products that were hidden under a shirt box. After the inspection, Voyda educated the clerk on the violations and advised him to remove all flavored products into a back storage and call a distributor to pick them up.

You have three (3) options to proceed:

- 1. If you do not contest the imposition of the proposed adverse action, you may do nothing. If I have not heard from you by **June 8, 2022,** I will presume that you have chosen not to contest the proposed adverse action and the matter will be placed on the City Council Consent Agenda for a 10-day suspension of your license.
- 2. If you wish to admit the facts but you contest the 10-day suspension penalty, you may have a public hearing before the Saint Paul City Council. You will need to send me a letter with a statement admitting to the facts and requesting a public hearing no later than **June 8, 2022.** The matter will then be scheduled before the City Council to determine whether to suspend the license. You will have an opportunity to appear before the Council and make a statement.
- 3. If you dispute the facts outlined above, you may request a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge (the "ALJ"). You will need to send me a letter disputing the facts and requesting an administrative hearing no later than **June 8**, **2022**. At that hearing, both you and the City will appear and present witnesses and evidence and cross-examine each other's witnesses. After receipt of the ALJ's report (usually within 30 days), a public hearing will need to be scheduled. At the hearing, the City Council will decide whether to adopt, modify, or reject the ALJ's report and recommendation. Please note: If you choose an administrative hearing, the Department reserves the right to request that City Council impose the costs of the administrative hearing, per Saint Paul Legislative Code section 310.05(k).

CITY OF SAINT PAUL MELVIN CARTER, MAYOR STPAUL.GOV





Civil Division, 15 Kellogg Blvd. West, 400 City Hall Saint Paul, MN 55102 Tel: 651-266-8710 | Fax: 651-298-5619

If you have not contacted me by June 8, 2022, I will assume that you do not contest the imposition of the 10-day suspension of your license. In that case, the matter will be placed on the City Council Consent Agenda for approval of the recommended penalty.

Sincerely,

Stephen Earnest /s m

Assistant City Attorney License No.: 0402652

cc: Abdullane Mohammed Ali, 630 Cleveland Avenue SW, New Brighton, MN 55112

Embassy Thomas LLC, 5200 Wilson Rd # 150, Edina, MN 55424

Sarah O'Brien, Executive Director, Hamline Midway Coalition, 1558 W. Minnehaha Avenue,

Saint Paul, MN 55104

Attachments: Inspector's Report

List of Tobacco Products Found on Licensed Premises

Licensee Information on Eclips System

License Group Comments Text Adverse Action Comments Text Requirement Comments Text License Group Conditions Text

STAMP - Ownership/Zoning Information

Photos of Tobacco Products

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AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL

COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

Shawn McDonald, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the 25th day of May, he served the attached NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND REQUEST FOR IMPOSITION OF A 10-DAY SUSPENSION OF YOUR LICENSE and a correct copy thereof in an envelope addressed as follows:

Mohammed Ibrahim and Abdullane Ali d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 1333 Thomas Avenue Saint Paul, MN 55104

Abdullane Mohammed Ali 630 Cleveland Avenue SW New Brighton, MN 55112

Embassy Thomas LLC 5200 Wilson Rd # 150 Edina, MN 55424

Sarah O'Brien, Executive Director Hamline Midway Coalition 1558 W. Minnehaha Avenue Saint Paul, MN 55104

(which is the last known address of said person) depositing the same, with postage prepaid, in the United States mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Shawn McDonald

Subscribed and sworn to before me This 25th day of May 2022

Votary Public





375 Jackson Street, Suite 220 Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806 Tel: 651-266-8989 | Fax: 651-266-9124

June 27, 2022

NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL ACTION

Mohammed Ibrahim and Abdullane Ali d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 1333 Thomas Avenue Saint Paul, MN 55104

Mohammed Ibrahim and Abdullane Ali:

Enclosed is a copy of City Council Resolution RES PH 22-962 which suspends the Cigarette/Tobacco license issued to you by the City of Saint Paul for the following:

For having a large amount of flavored tobacco products on the licensed premises.

The suspension was adopted by the Saint Paul City Council at the Council's regular meeting on June 22, 2022. The effect of this notice is that you may not sell tobacco products at 1333 Thomas Avenue beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Wednesday, June 29, 2022, and ending at 11:59 p.m. on Saturday, July 9, 2022.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, you may contact me at 651-266-9132.

Sincerely,

Eric Hudak, Licensing Manager Department of Safety and Inspections

Enclosure

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Shawn McDonald, Legal Assistant-CAO
Angie Wiese, Director-DSI
Dan Niziolek, Deputy Director-DSI
Joseph Voyda, License Inspector-DSI
Adullane Mohammed Ali, 630 Cleveland Ave. SW, New Brighton, MN 55112
Embassy Thomas LLC, 5200 Wilson Rd. #150, Edina, MN



City of Saint Paul

Signature Copy

Resolution: RES 22-962

City Hall and Court House 15 West Kellogg Boulevard

Phone: 651-266-8560

File Number: RES 22-962

Approving adverse action against the Cigarette/Tobacco License held by Mohammad Ibrahim and Abdullane Ali, d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 (License ID# 20160003307), at 1333 Thomas Avenue.

WHEREAS, the Cigarette/Tobacco license (the "License") held by Mohammad Ibrahim and Abdullane Ali, d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 (License ID# 20160003307), at 1333 Thomas Avenue in Saint Paul (the "Licensed Premises") was the subject of a Notice of Violation and Request for Imposition of a 10-Day Suspension, herein incorporated as Exhibit 1 (the "Notice") sent May 25, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Notice alleged that, during a complaint-based inspection on May 12, 2022, an inspector from the Department of Safety and Inspections (the "Department") observed and documented with photographs multiple flavored tobacco products that were in glass cabinets and behind the counter/cash register in violation of Saint Paul Legislative Code section 324.07(j); and

WHEREAS, the inspector also noticed hidden flavored tobacco products in a bag under the cash register and under a shirt box; and

WHEREAS, under the penalty matrix contained in Saint Paul Legislative Code section 324.10(b)(2), the presumptive penalty for a first-time violation of section 324.07(j) is a 10-day suspension; and

WHEREAS, the Notice stated that if, the Licensee failed to request a public or administrative hearing by June 8, 2022, the matter would be placed on the next available consent agenda to impose the recommended penalty; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee did not respond to the Notice by June 8, 2022 to request a public or administrative hearing; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Cigarette/Tobacco license held by Mohammad Ibrahim and Abdullane Ali, d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 (License ID# 20160003307), for the premises located at 1333 Thomas Avenue is hereby suspended for 10 days for having a large amount of flavored tobacco products on the Licensed Premises.

Payment of such penalty shall be made within thirty (30) days of the date of the adoption of this resolution.

At a meeting of the City Council on 6/22/2022, this Resolution was Passed.

Yea: 6 Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember

Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, and

Councilmember Jalali

Shari Moore

Nay: 0

Test Signature

Absent: 1 Councilmember Yang

Vote Attested by Council Secretary	Shari Moore	Date	6/22/2022
Approved by the Mayor	Melvin Carter III	Date	6/24/2022
Clerk	Shari Moore Shari Moore	Date	
	Shari Moore		6/24/2022

Date

Licensee: MOHAMMED IBRAHIM & ALI ABDULLANE

DRA:

ANNAPOLIS SUPER USA #002

License #: 20160003307

2/14/2023 AA sent to JNV for review, AYV

2/2/2023 flavor tobacco violation found-under review, AYV

12/08/2022 Delinquent letter sent. Response deadline date is December 29, 2022. SLH

11/03/22 Youth compliance check passed, AYV

6/29/2022 Placard Building 10 day Suspension JNV

06/28/2022 CF 22-962 Suspends license for 10 days beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Wednesday, June 29, 2022, and ending at 11:59 p.m. on Saturday, July

9 2022 SLH

5/17/2022 Sent to the CAO for a first flavor violation for a 10 day suspension of tobacco license JNV

5/12/2022 Tobacco complaint inspection flavor violations JNV

9/22/2021 Authorize to Adjust refund of \$300 due to combining the AA of two penalties, one from the City's penalty matrix and the other from State

Statutes form a TYCC failure that was conducted on 7/13/2021 and will remain on file as a failure. JNV

09/07/2021 \$50.00 fine to clerk paid. LKK

9/7/2021 \$800 fine paid. SLH

8/10/2021 Sent to the CAO for a flavor inspection failure \$500 fine JNV

8/9/2021 Flavor inspection failure- Sent to JNV for AA review KY

7/29/2021 Sent to the CAO for AA for a TYCC for a \$300 & a \$50 fine to the clerk JNV

07/28/2021 Sent to JNV for AA review KY

07/13/2021 Youth compliance check fail KY

02/10/2020: CSO Complaint inspection. CS# 20-008502. No violations of selling single menthol Newports behind the counter. KY

10/2/2019 Resolved CF 19-330 Imposes a \$500 matrix to be stayed pending no same or sim for 12 months. SLH

4/12/19 Tobacco compliance check, fail flavors. ARM

8/8/2018 Tobacco youth compliance check-Pass JNV

4/20/2018 Menthol education / inspection Pass JNV

03/13/2017 passed tobacco compliance check YD/BLB

03/01/2017 Rcvd. signed lic. cond. affidavit. JWF

2/7/2022 Sent email with deadline to pay/renew by 2/11/2022 - or will send to the CAO for Suspension JNV

2/2/2022 Spoke with the LH he'll pay license fee to renew via phone today JNV

8/10/2021 Youth Tobacco compliance pass KY

12/04/2020 Delinquent letter sent. Response deadline date is December 25, 2020. SLH

2/4/2020 Fine Paid -- entered by JNV

12/31/19 TO CAO for suspension.KS

12/31/19 spoke to licensee and he said his license didn't expire. I informed it had and he hung up on me.KS

12/25/2019 No response to dingt. Itr. to KS for follow-up. JWF

12/02/2019 Sent delinguent letter, Response deadline date is December 23, 2019. Max

6/12/19 Youth tobacco compliance check, pass. ARM 4/24/19 Tobacco compliance check, failed flavors. ARM

12/04/2018 Sent delinquent letter. Response deadline date is December 26, 2018, Max

10/29/2018 Re-tobacco education per our agreement for settlement JNV

108/25/2018 Cig sales \$750.00 fine paid. AMW

10/8/2018 - licensee owes \$750 fine per settlement EVH

7/25/18 Tobacco youth compliance check pass / Re-inspection of flavors failed - flavored cigars JNV

7/19/2018 Sent to CAO for adverse JNV.

4/23/2018 Tobacco education / inspection Fail Flavor cigars and wraps. JV

Paid delinquent on 1/4/18 KS

1/2/18 To CAO for adverse action. KS

01/02/2018 No response to dingt. letter, to KS for CA adverse action. JWF

12/01/2017 Sent delinquent letter. Response deadline date is 22, 2017. Max

08/31/2017 pased tobacco compliance recheck BLB

08/25/2017 Received \$50.00 matrix penalty from Jemal Usman for failed compliance check. MN

08/25/2017 Received \$200.00 matrix penalty for failed compliance check. MN

08/23/2017 CF #\$17-1242 imposes \$200 matrix penalty for underage tob. sale on 06/27/2017. JWF

06/27/2017 FAILED tobacco compliance checks BLB

11/02/2016 Letter sent submitted signed lease and bus, purch, agmnt., response date 11/21/2016. JWF

09/27/2016 Written orders issued submitted signed lease and bus, purch, agmnt, recheck 10/29/2016. JWF

Adverse Action Comments Text 02/13/2023

Licensee: MOHAMMED IBRAHIM & ALI ABDULLANE

DBA: ANNAPOLIS SUPER USA #002

License #: 20160003307

06/28/2022 CF 22-962 Suspends license for 10 days beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Wednesday, June 29, 2022, and ending at 11:59 p.m. on Saturday, July 9, 2022. SLH

6/16/2022 - Notice of Council Hearing sent. To be on 6/22/2022 CC consent agenda. SM 5/25/2022 - Notice of Violation sent with a 6/8/2022 deadline to respond. SM

2/4/2020 Fine Paid -- entered by JNV

1/28/2020- Notice of intent to suspend sent with an 2/11/2020 deadline to suspend. SM of Oct. 29 EVH

10/19/2018 - Sent letter re: fine payment due date

10/8/2018 - Settlement: admit to 2nd matrix violation; pay \$750 by 10/29/18; if same or similar before Feb. 26, 2019 3rd pending violation will be issued. EV 8/7/2018 - Sent Notice of Violation with an 8/17/2018 deadline to respond, JAK

8/25/2017 - \$200.00 matrix penalty paid. JAK 8/23/2017 - Council adopted adverse action. DSI to send letter. JAk

8/8/2017 - Entered resolution and attachments into Legistar (RES #17-1242) for 8/23/2017 Consent Agenda. JAK

7/19/2017 - Sent Notice of Violation (licensee) and Notice of Administrative Fine (clerk) for tobacco compliance failure on 6/27/2017 with a 7/31/2017 deadline to respond. JAK

License Group Conditions Text

02/13/2023

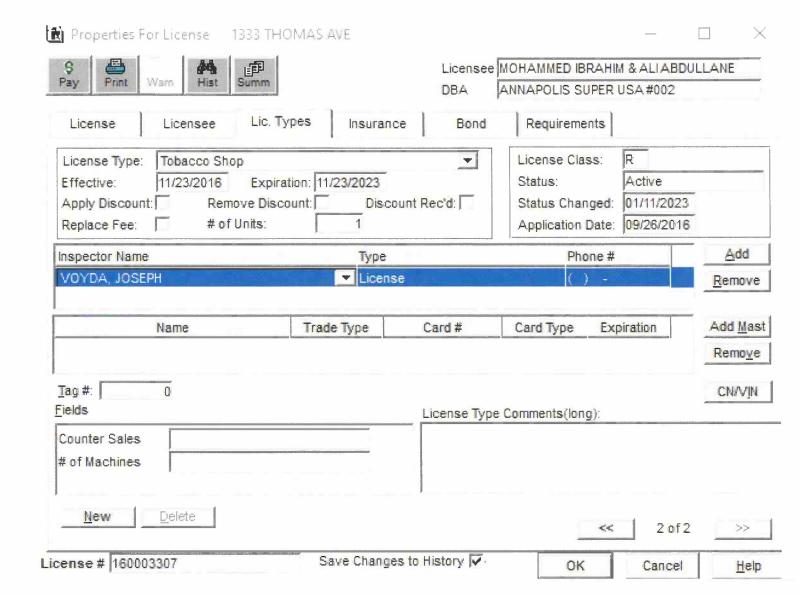
Licensee: MOHAMMED IBRAHIM & ALI ABDULLANE

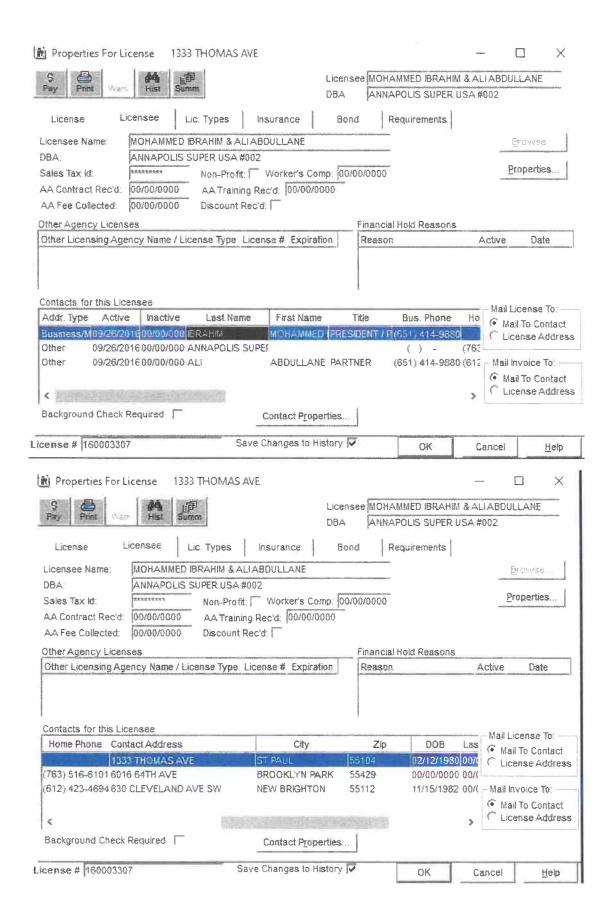
DBA:

ANNAPOLIS SUPER USA #002

License #: 20160003307

^{1.} Temporary window signs placed between the height of four (4) to seven (7) feet above grade shall not cover more than thirty (30) percent of this window space area, and cannot block views into the clerk or cashier station.





STAMP - Ownership / Zoning Information

New Search

Help using this report

Run Date:

02/13/23 08:01 AM

House#:

Last updated from Ramsey County data

on

Street Name:

Click on "Other Application" links below to access GISmo, MapIT, and Ramsey County Info

1333 Thomas Ave - Superusa - 55104-2545 - Other Applications

PIN: 342923120204

Census Track: 32300 Census Block: 4010

Foundation Sq Feet: Loan Company:

Council Ward: 4 District Council: 11

Land Building

Value: 93700 Value: 231300

Unverified Usage: 10- GENERAL RETAIL & SVC- B- Commercial

ISP:

Units:

Zoning: T2

Year Built:

Legal Desc: SYNDICATE NO. 5 ADDITION LOTS 16 AND LOT 17 BLK 15

Owner:

Embassy Thomas Llc 5200 Willson Rd # 150 Edina MN 55424-1300

Tax Owner:

Embassy Thomas Llc 5200 Willson Rd # 150 Edina MN 55424-1300

Certificate of Occupancy Responsible Party:

Mohamed Ibrahim 1333 Thomas Ave St Paul MN 55104-2545 763-516-6101

Sec. 324.07. Sales prohibited.

- (a) No person may sell a cigarette outside its original packaging containing health warnings satisfying the requirements of federal law. No cigarettes may be sold individually or in packages of fewer than twenty (20) cigarettes.
- (b) No person may sell or dispense licensed products from a motor vehicle or other movable place of business.
- (c) No person may sell licensed products from vending machines unless the vending machines are in a facility that cannot be entered at any time by persons younger than twenty-one (21) years of age.
- (d) No person may offer for sale licensed products in any open displays which are accessible to the public without the intervention of a store employee. This restriction does not apply to establishments holding a tobacco products shop license.
- (e) No person may sell, offer for sale, or otherwise distribute cigars in original packages containing three (3) or fewer cigars for a sale price, after any coupons, multipack or buy-one/get-one promotions, or any other discounts are applied and prior to applicable sales taxes being imposed, of less than two dollars and sixty cents (\$2.60) per cigar contained within. In addition, no person may sell, offer for sale, or otherwise distribute cigars in original packages of four (4) or more cigars for a sale price, after any coupons, multipack or buy-one/get-one promotions, or any other discounts are applied and prior to applicable sales taxes being imposed, of less than ten dollars and forty cents (\$10.40) per package.
- (f) No person may sell or offer for retail sale cigarette packages or cartons for a sales price, prior to applicable sales taxes being imposed, of less than ten dollars (\$10.00) per pack.
- (g) No person may sell or offer for retail sale moist snuff retail packages or multipacks for a sales price, prior to applicable sales taxes being imposed, of less than ten dollars (\$10.00) per 1.2 ounce package. No person may sell or offer for retail sale any smokeless tobacco/moist snuff unless it is sold in a package of at least 1.2 ounces minimum package size. The price floor for packages larger than 1.2 ounces shall be computed by adding two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) for each 0.3 ounces or any fraction thereof in excess of 1.2 ounces, excluding all applicable taxes.
- (h) No person may sell or offer for sale or otherwise distribute snus for a sales price, prior to applicable sales taxes being imposed, of less than ten dollars (\$10.00) per 0.32 ounce package. No person may sell or offer for retail sale any snus unless it is sold in a package of at least 0.32 ounces minimum pack size. The price floor for packages larger than 0.32 ounces shall be computed by adding two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) for each 0.08 ounces or any fraction thereof in excess of 0.32 ounces, excluding all applicable taxes.
- (i) No holder of a license issued under this chapter, nor any employee or agent of same may sell tobacco products to a person under the age of twenty-one (21) years. Sale to persons under the age of twenty-one (21) years prohibited.
 - (1) It is an affirmative defense to a charge under this subdivision if the defendant proves by a preponderance of the evidence that the defendant reasonably and in good faith relied on proof of age as described in Minn. Stats. § 340A.503, subd. 6.
- (j) No person may sell, offer for sale, or otherwise distribute any flavored products, unless excepted under section 324.07(l) of this chapter.
- (k) Coupons and price promotions. No holder of a license issued under this chapter, nor any employee or agent of same, may:
 - (1) Accept or redeem, offer to accept or redeem, or cause or hire any person to accept or redeem or offer to accept or redeem any price reduction instrument or other offer that provides any licensed product without charge or for less than the listed or non-discounted price; or

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(2) Sell or offer to sell licensed products, to consumers through any multi-pack discounts (e.g., "buy-two-get-one-free") or otherwise provide or distribute to consumers any licensed products, without charge or for less than the listed or non-discounted price in exchange for the purchase of any other licensed products.

Nothing in this chapter is intended to prohibit communication of pricing information or other truthful, non-misleading information to consumers.

(I) Exceptions.

- (1) Notwithstanding section (i), individuals exempted under Minn. Stats. § 609.685 are also exempt from this section.
- (2) The penalties in this section do not apply to a person under the age of twenty-one (21) years who purchases or attempts to purchase licensed products while under the direct supervision of a responsible adult for training, education, research, or enforcement purposes.
- (3) Retail stores holding a tobacco products shop license are permitted to sell and offer for sale flavored tobacco products.
- (m) Any violation of this chapter will subject the licensee to provisions of chapter 310 and section 324.10 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code.

(Code 1956, § 336.07; Ord. No. 17714, § 1, 2-20-90; C.F. No. 94-341, § 7, 4-13-94; C.F. No. 97-314, § 1, 4-20-97; C.F. No. 06-872, § 1, 10-11-06; C.F. No. 10-1014, § 2, 10-13-10; Ord 13-8, § 2, 4-24-13; Ord 14-34, § 2, 8-27-14; Ord 15-57, § 1, 1-6-16; Ord 17-28, § 2, 11-1-17; Ord 19-57, § 2, 10-16-19; Ord 21-29, § 7, 11-3-21)

Sec. 324.10. Presumptive penalties.

- (a) Purpose. The purpose of this section is to establish a standard by which the city council determines the amount of fines, length of license suspensions and the propriety of revocations for licensees. These penalties are presumed to be appropriate for every case; however, the council may deviate therefrom in an individual case where the council finds and determines that there exist substantial and compelling reasons which make it appropriate to do so, except, the council may not deviate below statewide minimum penalties for licensees. When deviating from these standards, the council shall provide written reasons that specify why the penalty selected was more appropriate. Where no penalty is listed below, the presumptive penalty under Saint Paul Legislative Code Section 310.
- (b) Presumptive penalties for licensees for violations. Adverse penalties for licensees for violations or convictions shall be presumed as follows:

Type of Violation	Appearance			
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
(1) Sale to a person under twenty-one (21) years of age	\$500.00 fine	\$1,000.00 fine	\$2,000.00 fine and 7-day suspension	Revocation
(2) Display, possession or multiple incidents of sales of;	10-day suspension	Revocation		

- (c) Fines payable without hearing. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 310.05(I), a licensee who would be making a first or second appearance before the council may elect to pay the fine to the department of safety and inspections without a council hearing, unless the notice of violation has indicated that a hearing is required because of circumstances which may warrant deviation from the presumptive fine amount. Payment of the recommended fine will be considered to be a waiver of the hearing to which the licensee is entitled, and will be considered an "appearance" for the purpose of determining presumptive penalties for subsequent violations.
- (d) Computation of time. Except as otherwise provided by Minn. Stats. § 461.12, subd. 2, subsequent violations are subject to the following:
 - (1) Second, third and fourth appearances. A second violation within twenty four (24) months shall be treated as a second appearance, a third within twenty four (24) months treated as a third appearance, and a fourth within twenty four (24) months treated as a fourth appearance for the purpose of determining the presumptive penalty.
 - (2) Any appearance not covered by subsections (1) above shall be treated as a first appearance. Measurement of the twenty four (24) month period shall be as follows: The beginning date shall be the earliest violation's date of appearance before the council, and the ending date shall be the date of the new violation. In case of multiple new violations, the ending date to be used shall be the date of the violation last in time.