Good day Council member Thao

My name is Joseph Black, I reside at 7xx Carroll Ave. St. Paul (17 yrs.). I was born and raised in this community all my life.

I am writing you today about the concerns I have about the potential issues with the operation of THE LEX if they are granted a liquor license. As you maybe aware the former establishment (Attucks Brooks American Legion, Post 606), had some serious issues in the past. I'm sure it's well documented in the history with the city as well as the St. Paul Police Department.

The community has been flourishing with new families moving back into the neighborhood. Houses that had been vacant for extended periods of time are now filled with caring people and their families. As we move forward with progress and building a stronger community, I just feel like we would taking some drastic steps backwards. Attracting many un-desirables into "OUR" peaceful neighborhood.

Let it be known, that my best friend was killed (Jeffery Logan) back in Jan. 2009 (attempted robbery victim) on the very property that they want a license for. I wouldn't want another family to go thru the pain of losing a loved one as we did.

Please give a NO vote on behalf of the neighborhood. Thank you for yours service in our community!!

Respectfully Yours, Joseph Black