



May 7, 2021

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO DENY LICENSE**

Shoroq LLC - Licensee  
d/b/a Twins Market and Meat  
1055 – 4<sup>th</sup> Street East  
St. Paul, MN 55106  
Attn: Hasan Alrubaye

RE: Cigarette/Tobacco license application submitted by Shoroq LLC d/b/a Twins Market and Meat for the premises located at 1055-4<sup>th</sup> Street East in Saint Paul  
License ID #: 20210000019

Dear Applicant:

The Department of Safety and Inspections will recommend denial of the Cigarette/Tobacco license application submitted by Shoroq LLC d/b/a Twins Market and Meat for the premises located at 1055-4<sup>th</sup> Street East in Saint Paul.

Saint Paul Legislative Code §310.02 (a) requires such applications shall not be received by the inspector until completely filled out, accompanied by all fees, insurance policies, bonds, deports, sureties, and indemnifications or certificates required by these chapters, together with the certification required in paragraph (b) below.

Saint Paul Legislative Code §310.03 states: The inspector shall determine the sufficiency and accuracy of each new application and obtain such criminal history information as may be used under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 364, and is otherwise available by law. The inspector shall make reasonable and appropriate investigation of the premises or personal property, vehicles or facilities, as may be involved in or related to the licensed activity, and shall request, where appropriate, the assistance of other city divisions or departments in making additional investigations for the purpose of determining whether the applicant is or will be in compliance with all applicable ordinances and statutes. The approval of such other divisions or departments is not required for issuance of a license unless otherwise required by specific sections in these chapters. All new applications shall be reviewed by the zoning administrator or his designee for compliance with all requirements of the Saint Paul Zoning Code, and no new license shall be granted without full compliance with said requirements. All new applications involving a premises, location, building or structure shall be referred to the department of safety and inspections for investigation and recommendation.



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Saint Paul Legislative Code §310.04 (a) *Class R licenses*. Where an application for the grant, issuance or renewal of a Class R license meets all the requirements of law, and there exists no ground for denial, revocation or suspension of, or the imposition of conditions upon, such license, the director shall grant, issue or renew said license in accordance with the application.

The Department asserts the following facts along with attachments herein constitute proof of a violation of Saint Paul Legislative Code § 310 by a preponderance of the evidence.

**Synopsis of alleged facts:**

On December 29, 2020, you submitted an application for a Cigarette/Tobacco license and an Alarm Permit. On May 3, 2021, Joseph Voyda, DSI Inspector III, sent you an email indicating the time had elapsed to provide a legal signed lease agreement.

You have four (4) options on how to proceed:

1. If I have not heard from you by **May 17, 2021**, I will presume that you have chosen not to contest the proposed adverse action and the matter will be placed on the City Council Agenda for approval of the proposed remedy.
2. Submit a legal signed lease agreement to the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) located at 375 Jackson Street, Ste. 220, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806 no later than **May 17, 2021**. A self-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience. Submission of the required forms will be considered a waiver of the hearing to which you are entitled.
3. If you wish to admit the facts but you contest the 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 **May 17, 2021**. The matter will then be scheduled before the City Council to determine whether to deny your Cigarette/Tobacco. You will have an opportunity to appear before the City Council and make a statement on your own behalf.
4. You can withdraw your Cigarette/Tobacco license application. Complete and return the attached REQUEST TO WITHDRAW REQUEST FOR REFUND form to the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI), located at 375 Jackson Street, Ste. 220, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806 no later than **May 17, 2021**.



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**If you have not contacted me by May 17, 2021, I will assume that you do not contest the denial of your Cigarette/Tobacco. In that case, the matter will be placed on the next available City Council Consent Agenda for approval of the recommended penalty.**

If you have questions about these options, please contact my Legal Assistant, Shawn McDonald at (651) 266-8729.

Sincerely,

/s/

Therese Skarda  
Assistant City Attorney  
License No. 0240989

Cc: Sadiq Alnabi, 1055 Fourth Street East, St. Paul, MN 55106  
Lissa Jones- Lofgren, Dayton's Bluff Community Council, East Side Enterprise Center,  
804 Margaret Street, St. Paul, MN 55107  
Hasan Alrubaye, 10978 Hanson Boulevard NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Attachments: May 3, 2021 email to licensee regarding application  
ECLIPS system screenshots  
STAMP- Ownership/Zoning Information  
REQUEST TO WITHDRAW REQUEST FOR REFUND

STATE OF MINNESOTA)  
 ) ss.

**AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL**

COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

Julie Kraus, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, she served the attached **NOTICE OF INTENT TO DENY LICENSE** and a correct copy thereof in an envelope addressed as follows:

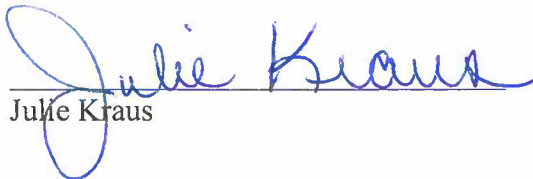
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(which is the last known address of said person) depositing the same, with postage prepaid, in the United States mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

  
Julie Kraus

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
This 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021

  
Notary Public

