

CITY OF SAINT PAUL

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Dear Resident and/or Neighborhood Organization:

The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) has received an application for a license for a business in your area. You are being notified because this request requires neighborhood notification.

Details regarding this matter are given on the reverse side of this letter. You will have 15 days from the date this notice was mailed to express any objections. The response deadline is given on the reverse side of this document. If you have any objections to the application as described on the reverse side, please send your objection(s) (with your telephone number) in writing to:

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

Or email to: LH-Licensing@ci.stpaul.mn.us

If objections are received, a hearing will be scheduled before a legislative hearing officer. If you have sent in an objection, you will receive notice of the time, place and date of the scheduled hearing. At that hearing, the Legislative Hearing Officer will take testimony from all interested persons. At the end of this hearing, the Legislative Hearing Officer will make a recommendation to the City Council as to whether the license request should be approved or be referred to an administrative law judge for further review. The City Council will have the final authority to grant or deny the license.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Tom Ferrara, DSI Inspector III, at 651-266-8989, or me at 651-266-9106.

Sincerely,

Jeff Fischbach
DSI Inspector III

## LICENSE APPLICATION NOTIFICATION

License Number:

20250000797

Application for:

Liquor On Sale - 101-180 Seats, Liquor On Sale - Sunday and Entertainment (A)

License at:

945 Rice St Suite A

Licensee:

Leela Nightclub LLC, doing business as Leela Thai Restaurant

Srisawang Lee, owner, 651-440-1113

## **Recommended License Conditions:**

1. Licensee agrees to operate the establishment in compliance with Section 409.02 of the City of Saint Paul Legislative Code as a "Restaurant".

- 2. Licensee agrees to close the establishment at 12:00 a.m. midnight. All patron/customers shall vacate the premises by 12:30 a.m. each day of the week as per Section 409.02 of the City of Saint Paul Legislative Code.
- 3. Per City of Saint Paul Legislative Code 411.02, the definition of Entertainment A is, "Amplified or nonamplified music and/or singing by performers without limitation as to number, and group singing participated in by patrons of the establishment." (includes karaoke). Entertainment A license does not allow for patron and/or performance dances.

Deadline for Response Date: Tuesday, July 1, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.

If you have any comments on the license application, you must respond in writing by Tuesday, July 1, 2025 to:

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Or email to: LH-Licensing@ci.stpaul.mn.us

If you have any questions, please contact DSI Inspectors Ashley Skarda or Jeff Fischbach at 651-266-8989.

Notice Mailed: Monday, June 16, 2025



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June 16, 2025

Leela Thai Restaurant Attn: Srisawang Lee 380 Londin Circl St Paul MN 55119

RE: License Application for Leela Nightclub LLC, doing business as Leela Thai Restaurant, ID # 20250000797, Located at 945 Rice St Site A / Liquor On Sale - 101-180 Seats, Liquor On Sale - Sunday and Entertainment (A)

Dear Applicant:

Our review of your application for a license is in process. Notification has been sent to owners and occupants of nearby properties, community organizations and other interested parties giving them until **Tuesday, July 1, 2025** to submit comment on your application. If no objections are received, and you have returned a signed condition affidavit if applicable, a recommendation for approval of your license(s) will be placed on the City Council consent agenda.

If objections are received a legislative hearing will be scheduled. You will receive notice of the time, place and date of the scheduled hearing from the Legislative Hearing Officer. At that hearing, the hearing officer will take testimony from all interested persons and will make a recommendation to the City Council as to whether the license(s) should be approved or be referred to an administrative law judge for further review. The City Council will have the final authority to approve or deny your license application.

Your license will be issued once City Council has approved you application and you have satisfied all applicable requirements. Requirements including the following must be met prior to license issuance:

- Sign and return one copy of the enclosed license condition affidavit acknowledging the conditions that will be placed on your license(s). A return envelope has been included for your convenience.
- Provide proof of having obtained a restaurant license from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), who may be contacted at 651-201-4500 for information on their licensing process.
- Arrange thru the property owner to obtain DSI Fire Inspection Certificate of Occupancy (CofO) inspection approval by contacting DSI Fire Inspector Mitch Imbertson at 651-266-8986 / mitchel.imbertson@ci.stpaul.mn.us.
- Contact DSI License Inspector Tom Ferrara at 651-266-9087 / <a href="mailto:tom.ferrara@ci.stpaul.mn.us">to schedule an on-site inspection in an effort to promote compliance with the enclosed license conditions.</a>

Finally, I've enclosed a copy of City of St Paul Legislative Code Section 409.02 Definition of "Restaurant". Please review this Section prior to the required on-site inspection with Mr. Ferrara. If you have any questions, please contact DSI Inspector Tom Ferrara at 651-266-9087 or me at 651-266-9106.

Sincerely,

Jeff Fischbach

**DSI Licensing Division** 

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Disclaimer: This letter is not an indication that your application will be granted. This letter is intended simply as notice of the ongoing process of your pending application.