



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](mailto: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: 20190001176

Application for: **Add a Liquor On Sale 2 AM Closing license to permit the establishment to remain open past 12:00 a.m. (midnight) each day of the week** for a business with existing Liquor On Sale – 291 or more seats, Liquor On Sale – Sunday, Entertainment (A), and Gambling Location licenses

License at: 1624 & 1626 White Bear Ave N

Licensee: Amazed Group LLC, doing business as Cups & Cheers  
Nufue Change, co-owner, 651-330-8614

### Existing License Conditions to be REMOVED:

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

### Existing License Conditions to REMAIN:

Licensed premises includes 1624 & 1626 White Bear Ave N

1. Licensee agrees that the sale, service, consumption, and/or display of alcohol is limited to the seating area identified in the application materials, and does not include the 33' x 37' room located on the eastern portion of the submitted floor plan.
2. 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.
3. License holder will create a video surveillance camera and lighting placement plan (Video Surveillance Plan) for the interior and exterior of the licensed premises. License holder will submit the video surveillance plan to the Saint Paul Police Department (SPPD) liaison with the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) for review and approval. In accordance with the approved video surveillance plan, license holder will ensure that video surveillance camera system is in good working order, ensure it is recording 24 hours per day, ensure it can produce recorded surveillance video in a commonly used, up-to-date format, and ensure that accurate date and time of day are visible on all recorded video. License holder will retain recorded surveillance video for a minimum of thirty (30) days. If an incident is deemed serious by SPPD, license holder shall make surveillance video immediately available for viewing by SPPD. If a copy of the surveillance video for a serious incident is requested by SPPD, license holder shall have the technology, materials and staff available to immediately make the copy. In all other cases, license holder shall provide a copy of the surveillance video to the requestor within 48 hours.
4. Licensee agrees to not employ any person or persons previously employed by either and/or both of the previous two licensees and/or lessees of 1626 White Bear Avenue North.
5. Licensee shall take appropriate action to ensure the back door (near the restrooms) is limited to emergency use and deliveries only, it shall not be used by customer/patrons as an entrance to the establishment.
6. Licensee acknowledges that a Gambling Location license only permits an authorized charitable organization to conduct lawful charitable gambling in a manner approved by the State of Minnesota Gambling Control Board once the charitable organization has obtained a State of Minnesota Gambling Control Board Premise Permit.

**Recommended Additional License Conditions:** None

**Deadline for Response Date: Thursday, June 19, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.**

If you have any objections to the license application, you must respond in writing by Thursday, June 19, 2025 to:

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Or email to: [LH-Licensing@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:LH-Licensing@ci.stpaul.mn.us)

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

Notice Mailed: Wednesday, June 4, 2025

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June 4, 2025

Cups & Cheers  
Attn: Nufue Change  
1626 White Bear Ave  
St Paul MN 55106

**RE: Add a Liquor On Sale 2 AM Closing license to permit the establishment to remain open past 12:00 a.m. (midnight) each day of the week** for a business with existing Liquor On Sale – 291 or more seats, Liquor On Sale – Sunday, Entertainment (A), and Gambling Location licenses

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 **Thursday, June 19, 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 could 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.

If you have any questions, please contact DSI Inspector Ashley Skarda at 651-266-9013, or in her absence me 651-266-9106.

Sincerely,

Jeff Fischbach  
DSI Inspector  
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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.**