



FINDINGS OF THE LIQUOR COMMISSION
ISSUANCE OF A LIQUOR LICENSE

Based on a public hearing that took place on Wednesday, December 20, 2023, the Liquor Commission of the City of Joliet hereby reports its findings based on Chapter 4, Section 5C of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joliet to the City Council. The findings are as follows:

1. **(a) Applicant:** JOSE BACERRA-ESTRADA
d/b/a EL RINCON LATINO

(b) Address of premises: 138 E. Cass Street, Joliet, 60432
2. **Class of liquor license applied:** Class B
3. **Past Performance:** Applicant has 27 years of experience in sales and/or service of alcohol.
4. **Character and reputation of the applicant:** The applicant is of good character.
5. **General design and layout of the premises:** On file in the Mayor's Office.
6. **Amount of anticipated gross revenue from sale of alcoholic beverages:** 30%
7. **Nature of entertainment:** Pool hall for patrons 21 years old and up
8. **Premise compliance with all ordinances of the City:**

Building Inspections Department states there are no building code violations.

Joliet Fire Department states there are no fire code violations.
9. **Any outstanding monies owed to the City of Joliet:** There are no monies owed to this address.

10. The following are the class, type and number of licensed premises within a one (1) mile radius of the proposed premises:

Class Type of Liquor License	Total
Class "A" Premises & Package:	
Class "A1" Brew Pub:	
Class "A2" Craft Brewery:	
Class "A3" Craft Distillery:	
Class "B" Premises Only:	
Class "C" Package Goods Only:	
Class "C-D" Package Goods Only/ Beer & Wine Only:	
Class "D" Premises/Beer & Wine Only:	
Class "E" Restaurant or Hotel:	
Class "F" Club:	
Class "J" Governmental & Non-for-profit:	
Class "K" Stadium:	
Class "L" Riverboat-Related Facility:	
Class "P" Bicentennial Park:	
Class "TH" Theater or Cinema:	
Class "BG" Gas Station/On-Site/Gaming:	
Class "CG" Gas Station/Package:	
The total amount of liquor licenses within a one-mile radius of the proposed location:	

11. Zoning, general character of the neighborhood and the impact of the premises of the surrounding neighborhood and the city as a whole:

The subject business is located in a commercial building at the southwest corner of Cass Street and Arch Court. The property is zoned B-3 (general business district), which permits an entertainment center with on-premises liquor consumption and sales.

This section of Cass Street has commercial storefronts on both sides of the street with residential units on the upper floors of some buildings. The attached commercial building to the west contains a convenience store in the east unit and appears to have a church use in the west unit at 134 E. Cass Street. Across Cass Street to the north at 145 E. Cass Street is a commercial building with an auto shop on the main floor. A church occupies the main floor of the commercial building across the street at 137 E. Cass Street, approximately 66 feet away. To the east across Arch Court is a mixed-use building with vacant commercial space on the main floor and apartments above. The property to the south contains a residence and a concrete block building. All surrounding properties are zoned B-3 (general business) district.

Approval of the requested liquor license should not alter the essential character of the area or the City as a whole.

12. Any law enforcement problems created by the issuance of the liquor license:

Joliet Police Department does not foresee any special law enforcement problems associated with the issuance of this liquor license.

13. Comments at the hearing:

The liquor hearing was conducted by Deputy Liquor Commissioners James O'Connell and Kevin Kelley, Assistant Corporation Counsel Chris Regis, and Detective Pat Schumacher.

No one appeared in opposition to this liquor license.

14. Recommendation:

Based on the liquor hearing, the Liquor Commission feels that the issuance of the liquor license would be in the best interest of the city, and therefore, recommends approval of the license.

Terry D'arcy
Mayor and Liquor Commissioner

James O'Connell
Deputy Liquor Commissioner