



FINDINGS OF THE LIQUOR COMMISSION
TRANSFER OF A LIQUOR LICENSE

Based on a public hearing that took place on Tuesday, August 27th, 2024, 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: Nelson Robles

d/b/a Ecus Club

(b) Address of premises: 1527 N. Raynor Avenue, Joliet

2. Class of liquor license applied: Class "B" – Premises Only

3. Past Performance: 2 years' experience with Royal Palace

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: 100%

7. Nature of entertainment: Music

8. Premise compliance with all ordinances of the City:

Building Inspections Department approval is pending completion of required business inspection and any necessary repairs. No licenses will be issued until approval has been received.

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:	10
Class "A1" Brew Pub:	
Class "A2" Craft Brewery:	
Class "A3" Craft Distillery:	
Class "B" Premises Only:	4
Class "C" Package Goods Only:	4
Class "C-D" Package Goods Only/ Beer & Wine Only:	
Class "D" Premises/Beer & Wine Only:	1
Class "E" Restaurant or Hotel:	1
Class "F" Club:	5
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:	1
Class "CG" Gas Station/Package:	
The total amount of liquor licenses within a one-mile radius of the proposed location:	26

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 property contains an existing bar at the southwest corner of Raynor Avenue and Theodore Street. The building was recently occupied by Phil's Corner Spirits and Gaming. The property is zoned B-3 (general business district), and on-premises consumption and package liquor sales are allowable uses in his zoning district.

Surrounding zoning and land uses include:

- North: City of Crest Hill Limited Business District, commercial
- East: B-3 (general business), commercial
- South: B-3 (general business), commercial
- West: R-2 (Single-family Residential), residential

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

Joliet Police Department states they do not foresee any special law enforcement problems associated with the transfer of the 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 Stephanie Silkey, and Detective Patrick Schumacher.

No one appeared in opposition to the transfer of this liquor license.

14. Recommendation:

Based on the liquor hearing, the Liquor Commission feels that the transfer 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