



December 23, 2024

District Administrator California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control 1137 Westridge Parkway Salinas, CA 93907

Reference: Cork and Fork LLC

1955 41st Ave., Ste B8, Capitola, CA 95010 (Proposed location)

On-Sale Wine and Beer Sales

Dear Administrator:

The applicant, Cork and Fork LLC applied to the City of Capitola on November 01, 2024 for a use permit to conduct business at 1955 41st Ave, Ste B8, Capitola, California. Their letter indicates the business will be serving beer and wine under a type 42 alcohol beverage license, #664489 (pending).

The proposed business is in police responsibility area 4401 and U.S. census tract number 1217.02. The site is in a high crime area and the census tract is over-concentrated (6 stores authorized and 15 currently existing) with on-sale alcohol premises, thus requiring a letter of necessity and convenience.

This letter is being issued with the understanding that conditions placed by the City of Capitola on the businesses' conditional use permit, be incorporated in the on-sale beer license issued by ABC. Additionally, if the City's Planning Commission denies the conditional use permit request this letter is void.

In 1994, the California legislature amended the law that allowed for local control of some alcohol licenses. The purpose of this legislation is to help fight blighted and crime-impacted areas. The City Council appointed the Chief of Police as the local governing body in decisions related to public convenience or necessity in the issuance of certain alcohol licenses as required by section §23958.4 B. & P.

In summary, "Cork and Fork" has been an existing and successful business in the City of Capitola. We believe they will continue their success and provide positive economic vitality to the City of Capitola with few public safety concerns.

Sincerely,



Sarah A. Ryan Chief of Police

CC: Brian Froelich, Senior Planner, Community Development Department