

STAFF REPORT

Regular City Commission Meeting

March 13, 2025

To:

Elected Officials

From:

Penny Overstreet, City Clerk

Date:

February 3, 2025 *Updated March 10, 2025*

Item Name:

Application OE-25-03-01 Request for an Annual Outdoor Entertainment Permit – The Cajun Beach – 1112 S. Ocean Shore Blvd. -Applicant – Patrick McKinney.

Background: Applicant: Cajun Beach/Flojun, LLC., 1112 S. Ocean Shore Blvd., Flagler Beach, Florida 32136. The Planning Board and City Commission denied the applicants request at the January 09, 2025, meeting. After reviewing the application and conducting a public hearing, the Officials urged the applicant to table his request and address the noise abatement concerns. The Applicant and his Attorney declined and requested a decision be made that evening. The City Commission voted to deny the requested outdoor entertainment permit. Specifically, the City Commission found that there was not competent substantial evidence to support a finding that element number 7 of the required considerations has been satisfied. For the City Commission to grant an outdoor entertainment permit it must find that the proposed outdoor entertainment would not have an adverse effect on or unreasonably infringe upon the rights of property owners within 200 feet of the subject property. As the City Commission has found that said element was not supported by competent substantial evidence, Application OE-25-01-01 has been denied.

The applicant has returned a new application and submitted proposed stage performance solutions he wishes to be considered.

The applicant contacted me to provide an update stating he was agreeable to restrictions on his permit to include: No live music after 9:30 p.m., No drums, and No Karaoke.

The Planning & Architectural Review Board will hear the request at their March 11, 2025, meeting. An update will be provided to you with their recommendation.

The subject property is zoned General Commercial G.C. The applicant is seeking approval of an Annual Outdoor Entertainment Permit to allow amplified and non-amplified events consisting of music, spoken word and/or other forms of entertainment. Section 4-167, Review of Permit Application states, the City Commission, after receiving recommendation from the Planning and Architectural Review Board (PARB), shall approve, approve with conditions, or deny a permit for outdoor entertainment activity based on any of the following grounds:

- (1) The activity would present an adverse impact on the health, safety or welfare of the applicant, participants, public employees or members of the public and/or fail to protect the city's environment.
- (2) The activity would unreasonably inconvenience the general public.
- (3) The proposed activity is prohibited by or inconsistent with the Flagler Beach Code of Ordinances or the Flagler Beach Comprehensive Plan.
- (4) The applicant cannot meet, or is unwilling to meet, all the requirements of this article.
- (5) The activity is proposed for a site that does not have adequate parking to accommodate the activity.

- (6) The activity is proposed for a site that is inherently hazardous to the participants or the public.
- (7) The event would have an adverse effect, and would unreasonably infringe upon, the rights of property owners within two hundred (200) feet of the property line of the subject property.
- (8) The event would conflict with another proximate event or interfere with construction or maintenance work.
- (9) The information furnished in the application is not materially complete and accurate.
- (10)The applicant has violated a provision, restriction or condition of this article or an outdoor entertainment activity permit issued to the applicant within the past and has not presented competent substantial evidence that measures to prevent future violations will be implemented at the property.
- (11)The requirements identified by the city staff to ensure public health, safety and welfare have not been met.
- (12)The comments and/or recommendations of the planning and architectural review board have not been addressed.
- (13) The proposed event or activity is prohibited by federal, state, or local regulations.
- (14)Other issues in the public's interest as identified by the city commission.
- (a) In deciding to approve a permit the city commission may limit the type and number of temporary structures and the duration of the activity, including the hours and the number of days of the activity conducted to minimize any adverse impact caused by the activity.

The applicant has 17 on-site parking spaces, and approximately 17 off-site for a total of 34.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends the application be considered based upon the fourteen criteria, and the applicants' installation of the noise abatement material.

Attachments:

- Application
- Map of surrounding property owners