

TO: FRUITA CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR

FROM: DEBRA WOODS, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

- **DATE: APRIL 5, 2022**
- **RE:** SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR PERMIT APPLICATION A request to approve a Special Events Liquor Permit application from the Museums of Western Colorado (MWC) to serve alcoholic beverages (malt, vinous and spirituous) at the "After Dark" event to be held on Saturday, April 9, 2022 from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. at Dinosaur Journey located at 550 Jurassic Court

BACKGROUND

The Museums of Western Colorado (MWC) previously filed an application for a Special Events Liquor Permit to sell alcoholic beverages at the "After Dark" event on Saturday, February 5, 2022 from 4:00 to 11:00 p.m. at Dinosaur Journey located at 550 Jurassic Court. The application was on the agenda for the January 4, 2022 City Council meeting, but at that time, MWC decided to postponed their event to a date unknown due to COVID-19 concerns.

The MWC rescheduled the event and has resubmitted an application for a Special Events Liquor Permit for the event to be held on Saturday, April 9, 2022 from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. at the same location of Dinosaur Journey located at 550 Jurassic Court.

State law allows non-profit organizations to apply for a Special Events Liquor Permit, and the Fruita City Council adopted Resolution 2011-32, which authorizes the Local Licensing Authority to issue Special Events Liquor Permits to qualifying organizations and political candidates without sending the application to the State Authority for approval.

The City of Fruita requires that the applicant submit a narrative addressing specific issues related to the Special Events Liquor Permit. The application, narrative, diagram, and Fruita Police Department comments are attached.

The diagram of the licensed premises submitted with the application controls the area in which alcohol may be sold or consumed and should be strictly adhered to.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

APPLICABILITY TO CITY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

None

OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO THE COUNCIL

- 1. Approval of the Special Events Liquor Permit for the Museums of Western Colorado's "After Dark" event at Dinosaur Journey subject to the following conditions:
 - All alcohol will secured and removed by 10:30 pm
 - No alcohol shall be brought into or out of the licensed premises
 - The licensee is solely responsible for control of the licensed premises in regards to alcohol possession, consumption and adherence to state and municipal liquor laws
- 2. Denial of the Special Events Liquor Permit for the Museums of Western Colorado's "After Dark" event at Dinosaur Journey

RECOMMENDATION

IT IS THE RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF THAT THE COUNCIL BY MOTION:

• APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL EVENTS LIQUOR PERMIT FOR THE MUSEUMS OF WESTERN COLORADO TO SERVE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING THE "AFTER DARK" EVENT ON SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2022 FROM 6:00 TO 10:00 PM AT DINOSAUR JOURNEY LOCATED AT 550 JURASSIC COURT SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS STATED BY STAFF IN THEIR PRESENTATION