

#### **TOWN OF GRAND LAKE**

## LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY

March 10, 2025

# CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A NEW HOTEL AND RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE FROM TACO ABOUT IT, INC. D/B/A TACO ABOUT IT AT 712 GRAND AVENUE

**Applicant:** Taco About It, Inc.

**Initiated by:** Victor Manuel De los Santos Parra, Owner

Lizbeth Benavides Garcia, Manager

**Presented By:** Alayna Carrell, Town Clerk

**Establishment Name and Address:** Taco About It

712 Grand Avenue Grand Lake, CO 80447

### **BACKGROUND**

The completed application was filed on January 29, 2025, in the Town Clerk's office and a public hearing has been scheduled for Monday, March 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in accordance with C.R.S. § 44-3-311(1) the Town must hold the application for not less than 30 days.

This location will be a new Hotel & Restaurant liquor license as opposed to a transfer of an existing license due to the fact no existing license is in force.

Notice of Public Hearing on this matter was posted on the premises by the Town Clerk on February 21, 2025. Publication was made in the Middle Park Times on February 26, 2025, and March 5, 2025, both notices posted at least 10 days prior to the hearing.

The applicant is leasing the premises where the proposed liquor license will be utilized from Lone Eagle Lodge, Victor M. De los Santos, and that Victor M. De los Santos is the lawful owner of the premises.



The neighborhood to be served by the proposed outlet is described as all the area within the Town of Grand Lake boundaries.

The sale of liquor is not prohibited by municipal zoning regulations applicable to the premises.

Applicants proposed location, 712 Grand Avenue, is not located within five hundred feet of any public or parochial school or the principal campus of any college, university, or seminary: therefore, following C.R.S. § 44-3-313(d)(1).

In the one-year preceding March 10, 2025, there has not been a denial of an application by either the Town of Grand Lake or the State of Colorado for a Hotel and Restaurant liquor license at the location for the reason that no applications were received.

Within Grand Lake Town limits below are the following existing liquor licenses (22 total):

**Liquor License Classifications** 

Arts	1
Beer & Wine	2
Brew Pub	1
FMB	1
FMB & Wine	1
Hotel & Restaurant	11
Resort Complex	1
Retail Liquor Store	2
Tavern	2

Grand County Sheriff's Office has conducted a background investigation with no record found within the past year.

Colorado Bureau of Investigation completed their findings and there was no record found.

### FINDINGS NECESSARY FOR APPROVAL

- 1. The needs of the neighborhood would be met by the approval of this application as there is not an undue concentration of this type of license in the Town.
- 2. The desires of the adult inhabitants of the neighborhood will be served with the approval of this application. The Applicant may present testimony, evidence, and/or survey toward this point.
- 3. The Applicant is of good moral character and not prohibited from holding the license.



## **GROUNDS FOR DENIAL**

C.R.S. § 44-3-305. Denial of application. (1) The state licensing authority shall refuse a state license if the premises on which the applicant proposes to conduct its business do not meet the requirements of this article 3, or if the character of the applicant or its officers or directors is such that violations of this article 3 or article 4 or 5 of this title 44 would be likely to result if a license were granted, or if in its opinion licenses already granted for the particular locality are adequate for the reasonable needs of the community.

(2) The state licensing authority shall not refuse a state license after a local license has been granted, except upon hearing after fifteen days' notice to the applicant and to the local licensing authority. The notice shall be in writing and shall state grounds upon which the application may be refused. If the applicant does not respond to the notice within fifteen days after the date of the notice, the application for a license shall be denied. The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of section 24-4-105, and judicial review of the state licensing authority's decision shall be pursuant to section 24-4-106.

#### **SUGGESTED MOTIONS**

- I motion to *approve/deny* the new hotel and restaurant liquor license application from Taco About Inc., d/b/a Taco About It, located at 712 Grand Avenue.
- I motion to *approve* the new hotel and restaurant liquor license application from Taco About Inc., d/b/a Taco About It, located at 712 Grand Avenue, with the following conditions