

Montgomery City Council
AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: 05-23-2023	Budgeted Amount:
Department: Administration	Prepared By: Nici Browe

Subject

Consideration and possible action on the application for a City Alcoholic Beverage Permit for H-Bistrot.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of a City Alcoholic Beverage Permit

Discussion

Mr. Steve Hari of H-Wines has expanded his venture within the City of Montgomery, specifically downtown, and has opened a new business, H-Bistrot at 401 College Street, Montgomery. This business will serve food and mixed beverages.

Mr. Hari talked with staff regarding this idea in early January and began the steps required for obtaining a Texas Alcoholic Beverage Permit for the TABC, while waiting planning and development approval. The City Secretary must sign the TABC application as well as the Comptroller and County agencies in order to obtain the TABC approval.

City Code of Ordinances states that the City cannot approve and or issue a City Alcoholic Beverage Permit until the TABC has issued their license and the applicant must come before City Council for final approval.

Mr. Hari submitted his City application to the City Secretary on January 16, 2023. No fee was issued or taken as the TABC had not completed their application process. Mr. Hari was to provide the City with his TABC license in order for the City Secretary to issue the City Permit.

The City was informed that H-Bistrot was open and operating without the City Permit. Upon research it was discovered that TABC issued their license 03-23-2023 for Mixed Beverage Onsite Consumption.

City of Montgomery Code Enforcement was informed of the situation, discussed with Mr. Hari, and let him know that he should attend City Council meeting for his City Approval.

Approved By

City Secretary	Nici Browe	Date: 05-17-2023
City Administrator		Date: