

# MEMORANDUM



**TO:** CORTNEY HANSON, CITY CLERK  
**FROM:** ERICK W. ZINSER *EZ*  
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY / CHIEF OF POLICE  
**INITIATED BY:** MICHAEL BENDER, DETECTIVE *MB*  
**SUBJECT:** CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER APPLICATION,  
DD NOVI, LLC  
**DATE:** AUGUST 27, 2025

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## Liquor License Request:

DD Novi has entered into an agreement to purchase certain Class and SDM liquor licenses from Luna Properties Novi, LLC. Luna Properties is selling the liquor license for \$10 pursuant to a certain lease agreement between DD Novi as tenant and Luna Properties as landlord. In connection with the purchase of the liquor license, DD Novi has filed an application with the Michigan Liquor Control Commission to transfer ownership of the liquor license, an SDM license, Sunday Sales Permit, Entertainment Permit and an Outdoor Service Area Permit. DD Novi will do business as "Desi District", and will be located at 42875 Grand River Avenue, Suite 201, Novi, MI.

## Applicant/Background Information:

DD Novi is owned by Madhu Sundara, Sai Bandaru, Radhika Mukka, Srinivas Madhamshetti, Venkat Gangadar, and Supriya Thota. The members of DD Novi are comprised of three married couples. Desi District will be a family business in every sense. Members Radhika Mukka and Sam Madhamshetti currently own and operate several similarly licensed establishments in Ohio and Virginia.

## Theme of Business:

DD Novi plans to renovate the interior of space. Desi District is a vibrant combination of Indian market and full-service restaurant, offering authentic regional cuisine alongside a curated selection of South Asian groceries and specialty items. The restaurant provides a modern, family-friendly atmosphere where guests can enjoy traditional Indian flavors, while the market serves as a cultural hub for the community.

## Criminal History:

An ICHAT inquiry revealed no criminal history for these applicants.

## Civil History:

A CLEAR inquiry revealed no civil history for these applicants.

Oakland County Treasurer's Office

There are no prior delinquent taxes at this location.

Financial Review:

Based upon the financial data provided by the applicant, no issues were found to prevent the liquor license application process from proceeding. The business will be purchased for \$995,010.00, which will be funded by capital contributions from all applicants/members.

Summary:

Based on the information provided and the subsequent liquor investigation, I find no reason to deny the applicant's request. This request requires the approval of the Novi City Council.

C: Victor Cardenas, City Manager