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**CITY OF TEMPE  
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Council Meeting Date: 10/18/2012  
Agenda Item: 5A4**

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**ACTION:** Hold a public hearing to recommend the approval of a Series 12 restaurant liquor license for Garden Fresh Restaurant Corp., dba Sweet Tomatoes #36, 1410 East Southern Avenue.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend approval of this application because the applicant and location have met all City and County liquor licensing criteria.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Natalie Burt Lahr is the Agent for this application, license number 45941. This application is for a new license. This business had a Series 12 restaurant liquor license between 1995 and 2000. Tempe City Code requires that the Tempe Police Department conduct a background investigation on all liquor license applicants. Additionally, the city code requires that business locations be inspected by Fire Prevention, Building Safety and the County Health Department to ensure the establishment meets minimum city and county code licensing criteria. The Community Development Department has determined that a use permit is not required at this time. The premises has been posted for a 20-day period, per Arizona Revised Statute. No public opposition has been received regarding this liquor license application. State statute requires municipalities to make one of three recommendations to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (AZ DOL):

1. Approval
2. Denial (this results in a public hearing set by the AZ DOL)
3. No recommendation (this may result in a public hearing set by the AZ DOL)

**ATTACHMENTS:** N/A

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