
**CITY OF TEMPE
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Council Meeting Date: 09/08/2016
Agenda Item: 5A16**

ACTION: Hold a public hearing to recommend the approval of an acquisition of control of a Series 07 beer and wine bar liquor license for Hop Knot Brewing LLC, dba Four Peaks Brewery, 2401 South Wilson Street.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

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

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: James Matthew Scussel is the agent for this application, license number 202844. If a person other than those persons originally licensed acquires control over a license, they must file notice of the acquisition with the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control and list the new officers, directors or other controlling persons. All officers, directors or other controlling persons must meet the qualifications for licensure as prescribed by Arizona Revised Statute. This business has held a Series 07 beer and wine bar liquor license since February 2012.

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 and Building Safety to ensure the establishment meets minimum city code licensing criteria. 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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