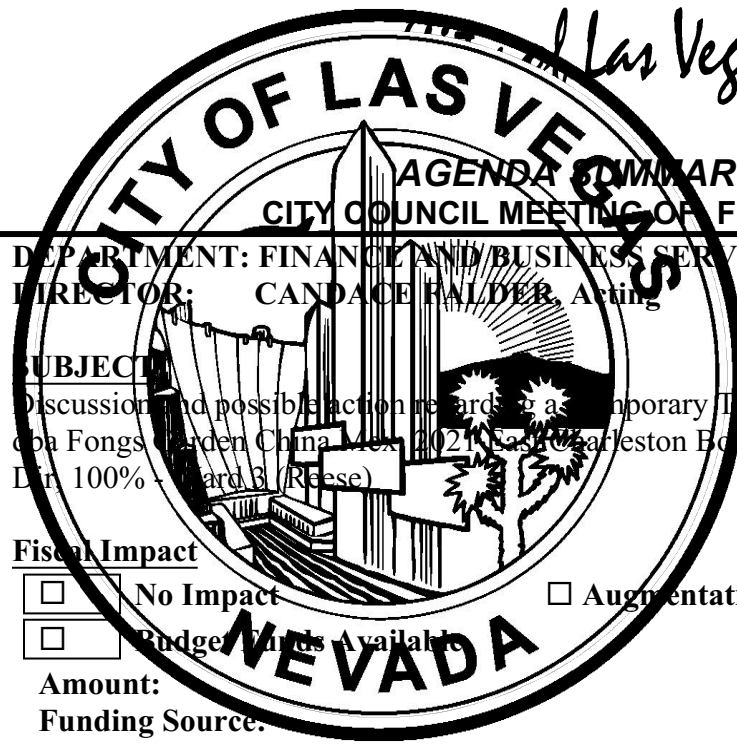




Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 43.

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 2, 2011

DEPARTMENT: FINANCE AND BUSINESS SERVICES

DIRECTOR: CANDACE HALDER, Acting

☐ Consent ☒ Discussion

SUBJECT:

Discussion and possible action regarding a Temporary Tavern License, Paovis Enterprises Inc, dba Fongs Garden China Mex 2021 East Charleston Boulevard, Mercy Mejia, Pres, Secy, Treas, Dir 100% - Ward 3 (Reese)

Fiscal Impact

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No Impact

☐ Augmentation Required

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Budget Funds Available

Amount:

Funding Source:

Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

Discussion and possible action regarding a Temporary Tavern License.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to be provided following the discussion of this item at the City Council Meeting and subject to the following conditions:

1. Thursday night - karaoke with DJ - 11:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.
2. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night - live music - 11:00 p.m. - 3:30 a.m.; DJ - 3:30 a.m. - 6:00 a.m.
3. Any alteration from this schedule must be approved by Business Services Manager or Supervisor.
4. Any violations of the above conditions will result in immediate suspension of business license.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

None

Motion made by GARY REESE to Approve subject to conditions and adding the following condition:

A. There shall be a review by the Council in three months.

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

RICKI Y. BARLOW, LOIS TARKANIAN, STEVE WOLFSON, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVEN D. ROSS, STAVROS S. ANTHONY; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: FEBRUARY 2, 2011

Minutes:

JIM DiFIORE, Manager of Business Services, and DETECTIVE TODD HUMPHREY, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (Metro) Special Investigations Section, were present. MR. DiFIORE referred to the investigative report and explained that the temporary license can be extended for another six months before it expires. The investigation identified issues with the financing and investing for this business.

MR. DiFIORE stated that MERCY and HERMES MEJIA, who were present, reviewed the report in December when it was provided to them. DETECTIVE HUMPHREY indicated that a meeting was held at 6830 Bermuda Road, during which the MEJIAS were provided a redacted report.

MR. MEJIA said that he lost his business on Fremont Street due to the anemic economy, so MS. MEJIA entered into a lease with the property owner of the site. MR. MEJIA said that he gave all the left over merchandise to MS. MEJIA. Consequently, Metro wanted an investigation done on him. He assured the Council that he is not hiding anything and he is working on completing the application for his investigation.

DETECTIVE HUMPHREY said he believes MR. MEJIA is funding this business and became upset when he was asked why he wanted to get rid of his old business. The documentation provided did not show that MS. MEJIA provided all the financing. And Metro still does not know where the financing is coming from for the business.

MR. DiFIORE stated that the first administrative temporary license was issued in May 2010, Council granted an extension of the temporary license on August 4, 2010, while the investigation was ongoing. There have been minimal calls for service and the entertainment provided has not caused any problems.

COUNCILMAN REESE opted to allow a three-month period to satisfy the concerns of Metro, or the business will expire, as indicated by CITY ATTORNEY BRAD JERBIC.