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Administration

A. Call to Order *Start 9:30am*

Time 9:30AM

B. Roll Call

- Dana Walukiewicz, Chair – Industry *In person*
- Diane Thompson, Vice Chair – Industry *In person*
- Janice Hill - Public Member *Via zoom*
- Doug Moore – Public Member *Via zoom*
- Public Safety Seat – Vacant

AMCO Staff

- Kevin Richard, Director *In person*
- Sara Chambers, Boards and Regulations Advisor *Via zoom*
- Andrew Bocanument, Agency Attorney *Via zoom*
- Jane P. Sawyer, Program Coordinator *In person*
- Kristina Serezhenkov, Local Government Liaison *Via zoom*
- Sonya Irwin, Licensing Supervisor *In person*

C. Approval of Agenda

Time 9:40AM

Motion: *To approve agenda by Diane Thompson. Jan Hill second. Agenda approved.*

D. AMCO Meeting Code of Conduct & Top 10 Zoom FAQ

TAB 1

E. Declaration of any Potential Conflicts of Interest.

Time 9:45AM

• TRANSFER OF A LICENSE UNDER AS 04.11.400(k) WITH ENDORSEMENT **Time 10:00AM**

▪ License # 3888:	Senor Taco Mexican Grill	<u>TAB 2</u>
Licensee (from):	James Flatley 100%	
Licensee (to):	J & L Enterprises, Inc. / Jose Nanez 50%	
	Lucia Nanez 50%	
License type:	Beverage Dispensary	
Type of transfer:	Ownership, Location, and Local Government	
Premises address (from):	2750 E Palmer Wasilla Highway	
	Wasilla, AK 99654 (within the MSB jurisdiction)	
Premises address (to):	860 S Robers Street	
	Wasilla, AK 99654	
Local governing body:	City of Wasilla; Matanuska Susitna Borough	
Endorsements:	Restaurant Endorsement	
Consideration:	See memo	

Michael Gavrilis introduces himself as legal counsel on behalf of Jose Nanez and talks about the status of the application.

Dana Walukiewicz asks if the office can deny with 180-day abeyance.

Jane Sawyer talks about the process of this type of application in needing to have both local government's approval.

Michael Schwarz speaks as legal counsel on behalf of James Flatley and asks if there is any possibility of moving the transfer along as his client is ill and in the hospital.

Andrew Bocanumenth comments that if all protests are lifted in 180 days, it's approved. If the protests aren't lifted, the application is denied.

Motion: *To deny this license with 180-day abeyance with delegation by Doug Moore. Second by Jan Hill. All vote yes. Motion carries.*

2025/2026 RENEWAL WITH NOTICE OF VIOLATION & TRANSFER APPLICATION

▪ License # 2639:	The Rendezvous	<u>TAB 3</u>
Licensee:	Kodiak Rendezvous, Inc. / Toni Munsey 100%	
License type:	Beverage Dispensary	
Premises address:	11652 W Rezanof Drive, Kodiak, AK 99615	
Local governing body:	City of Kodiak; Kodiak Island Borough	
Endorsements:	None	
Consideration:	Notice of Violation issued in June 2024. An employee was cited for not having a current alcohol server card. No other actions were taken by the board.	
Recommendation:	Approve with delegation to Director.	

Dana Walukiewicz recaps the issues with the renewal.

Motion: *To approve the renewal with delegation by Doug Moore. Second by Diane Thompson. All vote yes. Motion carries.*

▪ License # 2639:	The Rendezvous	<u>TAB 4</u>
Licensee (from):	Kodiak Rendezvous, Inc. / Toni Munsey 100%	
Licensee (to):	Rendezvous Roadhouse, LLC / Cooper Curtis 100%	
License type:	Beverage Dispensary	
Type of transfer:	Ownership	
Premises address:	11652 W Rezanof Drive Kodiak, AK 99615	
Local governing body:	City of Kodiak; Kodiak Island Borough	
Endorsements:	Restaurant Endorsement	
Recommendation:	Approve with delegation to Director	

Jane Sawyer speaks to the status of the transfer and informs the board that the applicant has been very responsive.

Motion: *To approve the transfer and Restaurant Endorsement with delegation by Diane Thompson. Second by Doug Moore. All vote yes. Motion Carries.*

- NEW LICENSE APPLICATION

Time 10:30 AM

▪ License # 16585	Avis Alaska Sports Complex	<u>TAB 5</u>
Licensee:	NANA Management Services, LLC / NANA North, LLC 51% & Sodexo Alaska, LLC 49%	
License type:	Sporting Activity or Event	
Premises address:	2801 Spirit Way Anchorage, AK 99508	
Local governing body:	Municipality of Anchorage	
Endorsements:	None	
Consideration:	Potential Prohibited Financial Interest	

Chris Tarsitano speaks as counsel for Nana Management. He recalls the Varsity Sports Grill as another license that they hold and mentions that this would be their 3rd license.

Diane Thompson asks if this is new construction.

Chris Tarsitano states that this is an existing building.

Dana Walukiewicz speaks to the office's concern with UAA not being a licensee and deriving profit from the sale of alcohol. This is why the office needs to examine lease agreements and management agreements.

Andrew Bocanumenth gives some background on the matter and states that Nana Management will be the manager and licensee. This contract was provided to staff to establish 'interest in' the premises. He shares his views on the matter to say that he would not consider this to be prohibited financial interest.

Dana Walukiewicz expresses concern about net sales, meaning after cost, which could be a profit. And if someone is getting a percentage of the profit, they are acting as an owner or have financial interest. Dana Walukiewicz asks Andrew Bocanumenth if the contract defined net sales.

Andrew Bocanumenth reads how the contract defines net sales as, “all sales of food, beverages, goods, merchandise and services in the dining services program, net of sales of taxes.”

Dana Walukiewicz states that it does not sound like a percentage of profit , but really more of a percentage of sales in lieu of lease payments.

Motion: *To approve the application with delegation by Jan Hill. Second by Diane Thompson. All vote yes. Motion carries.*

▪ License # 16816	Hightide Coffee	<u>TAB 6</u>
Licensee:	TMT Real Estate, LLC / Evanson Hauk 37.5%, Michael Baccari 37.5%, Teague Russell 25%	
License type:	Restaurant or Eating Place	
Premises address:	826 K Street Anchorage, AK 99501	
Local governing body:	Municipality of Anchorage	
Endorsements:	None	
Consideration:	Bona Fide Restaurant Requirement	

Dana Walukiewicz introduces the new license application and speaks to the question of the office as to whether this application meets the Bona Fide Restaurant requirement and reads the definition. He asks if an applicant is available to speak to this application.

Jane Sawyer points out that the board is moving through the agenda quickly and they are ahead of the projected timeframe and they might not be on the call yet.

Tabled 10:11 AM to revisit later.

Dana Walukiewicz re-introduces the tabled item of tab 6 and reads the definition of a bona fide restaurant. He asks if an applicant is available to speak to the application.

Michael Baccari introduces himself via zooms. He responds to say that they are currently serving already prepared meals.

Dana Walukiewicz clarifies that preparation of meals is not currently happening.

Michael Baccari states that it is a possibility but not currently happening.

Dana Walukiewicz expresses his concerns that the menu and the facility don’t meet the qualifications of the license type.

Doug Moore agrees that this application doesn’t meet the definition of a restaurant.

Dana Walukiewicz asks the applicant if they’d like to table the item to work on building a kitchen.

Michael Baccari says that he needs more direction.

Dana Walukiewicz states frankly, that they would need to build a kitchen and prepare meals on site.

Jane Sawyer reads 3 AAC 305.397 and speaks to the office working with the applicant and the build up to the office's suggestion of denying the application.

Mandy Honest from the Municipality of Anchorage shares that the application has not been in front of the assembly yet and is scheduled for a meeting on the 29th.

Doug Moore mentions being a board member and not a licensee and how it is a requirement in statute that food be prepared on site. He is happy to table the item if the applicant has an intention to build out a kitchen in the facility.

Diane Thompson expresses concern about the timeline of the applicant being able to complete a kitchen build out.

Michael Baccari states how quickly they can act on building a kitchen.

Motion: *To table this application until the special board meeting the week before the September 16th meeting, potentially September 9th, by Doug Moore. Second by Jan Hill. All vote yes. Motion carries.*

- 2025-2026 RENEWALS WITH OR WITHOUT ENDORSEMENTS & TIME EXTENSION
REQUESTS TO SUBMIT A TRANSFER

Time 11:00 AM

License # 3389	Gould's Liquor Store	<u>TAB 7</u>
Licensee:	John Gould & Sons Co. Inc. / James Gould 80.6% & Kathryn Gould 9.8% & Joshua Gould 5.8%	
License type:	Beverage Dispensary Tourism (package store license correction)	
Premises address:	7 Heart Lake Drive King Cove, AK	
Local governing body:	City of King Cove / Aleutians East Borough	
Endorsements:	None	
Recommendation:	Approve renewal with delegation and approve time extension	

Jana Weltzin speaks on behalf of the personal representative. She points out that the license type is package store, not beverage dispensary tourism.

Motion: *To approve with delegation, the time extension request and renewal by Diane Thompson. Second by Doug Moore. All vote yes. Motion carries.*

License # 4318	Tonsina River Lodge	<u>TAB 8</u>
Licensee:	Beck's Company / Elena Beck 50% & Serge Beck 50%	
License type:	Beverage Dispensary	
Premises address:	79 Richardson Hwy Copper Center, AK 99573	
Local governing body:	No Local Government	
Endorsements:	Restaurant Endorsement #15163	
Consideration:	Approve with delegation to Director	

Recommendation:	Approve renewal with delegation and approve time extension	
License # 4319	Tonsina River Lodge	<u>TAB 9</u>
Licensee:	Beck's Company / Elena Beck 50% & Serge Beck 50%	
License type:	Package Store	
Premises address:	79 Richardson Hwy Copper Center, AK 99573	
Local governing body:	No Local Government	
Endorsements:	None	
Consideration:	Approve with delegation to Director	
Recommendation:	Approve renewal with delegation and approve time extension	

Alena Kryvianok introduces herself on zoom to speak to the time extension request as Elena Beck's daughter.

Dana Walukiewicz asks if 180 days will be enough time to submit a transfer application.

Elena Beck introduces herself as personal representative for the deceased.

Alena Kryvianok states that she is confident that 180 days will be an adequate time to submit the transfer.

Motion: *To approve the renewal of the package store and beverage dispensary as well as the time extension request with delegation by Diane Thompson. Second by Doug Moore. All vote yes. Motion carries.*

Break 10:20am

Back 10:30am

Dana Walukiewicz segways back to tab 6.

- TIME EXTENSION REQUEST TO SUBMIT TRANSFER APPLICATION

• License # 4504	Venue Fairbanks	<u>TAB 10</u>
Licensee:	Go Alaska Media LLC / Isiah Mangum 50% & Karla J. Mangum 50%	
License type:	Beverage Dispensary	
Premises address:	514 2nd Avenue, Fairbanks	
Local governing body:	City of Fairbanks; Fairbanks North Star Borough	
Endorsements:	None	
Recommendation:	Approve time extension	

Dana Walukiewicz introduces tab 10 jumping back from tab 6.

Sonya Irwin gives background of the time extension request, the renewal, and the office follow up.

Motion: To approve the time extension request by Diane Thompson. Second by Doug Moore. All vote yes. Motion carries.

- NEW ENDORSEMENTS

Time 11:30 AM

- Large Resort Endorsement

- McKinley Creekside Cabins & Café, Lic. 5673

TAB 11

Consideration: Does not meet the 10 contiguous acre requirement.

Dana Walukiewicz reads the statute for the large resort endorsement.

Holly Slinkard speaks about her experience of how the business operates and what the endorsement would do for the business. She adds up the acreage. She explains that the only officer within hundreds of miles is very hard to get ahold of which creates difficulties in applying for permits.

Dana Walukiewicz states that he understands her need/desire for this endorsement but is concerned about the statute being very clear regarding the required acreage.

Andrew Bocanument reinforces Dana Walukiewicz's concerns.

Holly Slinkard expresses her frustration, by saying that she can't believe she's the first person to ask for this endorsement that is just under the acreage requirement.

Dana Walukiewicz explains that she is the first person to apply for this endorsement that doesn't have the full 10 contiguous acres.

Jane Sawyer mentions the option of a hotel/motel endorsement to try to alleviate the frustration of the licensee.

Dana Walukiewicz asks if there's any way staff could take a hotel/motel endorsement application to the 24th meeting and add it to the agenda next week.

Jane Sawyer states that she could work on trying to get a hotel/motel endorsement to the next board meeting for Holly Slinkard.

Motion: To table the large resort endorsement by Doug Moore. Second by Diane Thompson. All vote yes. Motion carries.

- LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROTESTS

Time 12:00 PM

16590 Meraki Afrah: Protest of new restaurant or eating place license until a Special Land Use Permit has been approved by the assembly and certifications from Land Use Enforcement, the Anchorage Health Department and the Anchorage Police Department have been received. **TAB 12**

Dana Walukiewicz introduces tab 12 and speaks to the process of denying applications with 180-day abeyance to resolve the protest(s). He asks if the applicant would like to speak to this application.

Meraki Afrah (name on zoom call) speaks to his understanding that the application will be completed shortly.

Motion: *To deny the application with 180-day abeyance with delegation to the Director to approve by Jan Hill. Second by Diane Thompson. All vote yes. Motion Carries.*

60134 Alaska Burger & Brew Old Seward: Protest of new restaurant or eating place license until **TAB 13** a Special Land Use Permit has been approved by the assembly and certification from Land Use Enforcement has been received.

Ezequiel Rodriguez, the applicant is on the phone call via zoom.

Mandy Honest from the Municipality of Anchorage states that there was a protest lift sent.

Motion: *To approve by Diane Thompson. Second by Doug Moore. All vote yes. Motion carries. Mandy Honest clarifies that the protest lift wasn't sent yet, but it will be shortly.*

16238 Pho & Indian: Protest of new restaurant or eating place license until a Special Land Use Permit **TAB 14** has been approved by the assembly and certification from Land Use Enforcement has been received.

Mandy Honest states that the protest lift will be sent out shortly.

Motion: *To approve this license with delegation by Doug Moore. Second by Diane Thompson. All vote yes. Motion carries.*

4531 Tri-Grill: Protest of 2024-2025 renewal application until certifications of past inspections **TAB 15** have been received from Land Use Enforcement, the Anchorage Fire Department, the Building Safety Official, the Anchorage Police Department, and the Anchorage Health Department as well as a deemed Complete transfer of ownership/location application has been received from AMCO -Per 3 AAC 305.085(d)

Dana Walukiewicz asks about the protest.

Mandy Honest from the Municipality of Anchorage speaks to the address not being at a valid premises location. Part of the protest is the condition that the AMCO office receives a complete transfer application.

Jane Sawyer suggests that the item be tabled until the September board meeting.

Motion: *To table the item until the September Board Meeting by Jan Hill. Second by Doug Moore. All vote yes. Motion carries.*

● **TABLED Time at 12:30 PM**

▪ License # 6036	Seward KOA	<u>TAB 16</u>
Licensee:	Exit Glacier RV Park, LLC / Brenda Dodson 50% & William Dodson 50%	
License type:	Restaurant Eating Place -Seasonal	
Premises address:	31702 Herman Leirer Road	
	Seward, AK 99664	
Local governing body:	Kenai Peninsula Borough	
Endorsements:	None	
Consideration:	Bona Fide Restaurant/Menu	

Background: This matter was originally tabled at the September 2022 meeting because the applicant was not present to answer questions from the board members. At the December 2022 meeting, the board tabled the reconsideration of the application until May 30 – 31, 2023 meeting, pending the applicant builds a kitchen for their establishment. This matter was tabled on May 31, 2023, board meeting.

Dana W. summarizes and Director Wilson reminds the board of the last-minute submissions to Carrie, updated menu, and explanations of kitchen equipment. Procedural discussion. Johnson states enforcement would need the board guidance because they would not approve this as a kitchen. Tabled to tomorrow morning at 9 – staff to contact. (May 30, 2023)

9:19 am: Bree Dodson, applicant, is present on Zoom and provides a summary of their business model and kitchen improvements. Frozen pizzas to be cooked on a countertop convention stove. Flat breads are made to order, salsa and the cheese plates are made on site. There is a procedural discussion. **Diane T. motions to table until the applicant provides updated menus to AMCO staff. Jan H. seconds.** Doug M. and Dave K. dropped off Zoom, Dave is back. Doug is having technical internet issues, on Jane's speaker phone for this vote. Doug is on Zoom. **None opposed, motion passes.** (May 31, 2025)

Dana Walukiewicz introduces tab 16 and gives some background. He asks if there is a representative or the applicant available to speak to this item.

Nobody is on the zoom call to speak to the item, the board goes on a short break.

Break 11:38am

Back 11:40am

Dana Walukiewicz reintroduces tab 16.

Sherman Ernouf introduces himself as legal counsel for the applicant.

Dana Walukiewicz asks what has changed and why this item is back in front of the board.

Sherman Ernouf covers the changes the applicant has made to the menu and the kitchen. He mentions that the menu was too light at the time when the item was in front of the board previously.

Breanna Dodson talks about her operations. She went back to the drawing board and improved the menu and added items to the kitchen to build it out including an oven for pizza.

Dana Walukiewicz asks Breanna Dodson to expound upon the preparation of the food including how the chicken is cooked and how the pizza is baked. He asks if raw food is being prepared.

Breanna Dodson explains that there are raw ingredients being cooked.

Diane Thompson asks about the breakfasts, if they are purchased premade and heated to serve. She asks how the chicken is cooked and if it comes in raw.

Doug Moore explains that he is comfortable with this item and feels that it meets the definition of a restaurant. He states that they are taking raw ingredients and preparation of food being cooked.

Dana Walukiewicz explains that the food needs to be served the entire time that alcohol is being served.

Breanna Dodson states that that works for her business and that the food is very popular.

Jan Hill says that her concerns have been answered.

Motion: *To approve license 6036 with delegation by Doug Moore. Second by Jan Hill. All vote yes. Motion carries.*

- BOARD COMMENTS

Doug Moore has no comment but he will see everyone next week.

Jan Hill mentions she has checked the weather report and is cautiously optimistic about seeing everyone next week.

Diane Thompson has no comments and will see everyone next week.

Dana Walukiewicz has no comments and will see everyone next week.

- NEXT ABC BOARD MEETING: June 24, 2025

- ADJOURNED **11:58 AM**