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**The City of Vadnais Heights**  
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## *Memorandum:*

TO: Mayor Gunderson and City Council Members

FROM: Kevin P. Watson, City Administrator

DATE: January 21, 2020

SUBJECT: Off-Sale Liquor License

### **Recommended Council Action**

Approval of, contingent on the state's approval, an off-sale liquor license for Randhangurung Corporation dba Easy Street Liquor located at 1150 East County Road E for the period of February 1 (or upon final approval by the State) to June 30, 2020.

### **Background**

Easy Street Liquor, located at 1150 East County Road E, is currently owned by Easy Street Liquor, Inc. Easy Street Liquor's current off-sale license is in effect until June 30, 2020. Randhangurung Corporation has submitted an application for an off-sale liquor license for this location and is currently working with Easy Street Liquor, Inc. to purchase Easy Street Liquor. Randhangurung Corporation has indicated to staff that the closing on the property is contingent on them receiving the off-sale liquor license approval from the City but they are projecting the closing date to be January 28. The State Department of Alcohol and Gambling said that they will not sign off on the license until the sale of the business has closed but have said that the City and the County can approve the license contingent on the state's approval.

State Law does not allow the transfer of an off-sale liquor license to a new Licensee. The applicant has submitted the following licensing materials which is required as part of the City's license process:

- **Application form(s) and fee(s)** – Appropriate application form and fee paid covering the period through June 30, 2020.
- **Proof of insurance** – Insurance in the limits required by State Law need to cover the entire license period.
- **Submittal of bond** – Bonds, in the amount of \$1,000 for off-sale covering the entire license period.
- **Status of property taxes and utility bills** – All applicants must be current on their 2019 2019 property taxes and on their utility bill payments.
- **Fire Certificate of Occupancy Inspection** - All applicants must have had a current year Fire Certificate of Occupancy inspection and made any corrections as required by the Fire Department.

### **Staff recommend approval of the following liquor license applications:**

- **Randhangurung Corporation dba: Easy Street Liquor**, 1150 East County Road E (**Off-Sale**) contingent on the state's approval.

If approved, the license period would go through June 30, 2020. Following approval from the City Council, licenses are sent to the Ramsey County Sheriff's Office for approval and then to the Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement Division of the Department of Public Safety of the State of Minnesota for their approval as well.

Enclosures

**APPLICATION FOR OFF SALE INTOXICATING LIQUOR LICENSE**  
 No license will be approved or released until the \$20 Retailer ID Card fee is received

**PLEASE COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION IN ITS ENTIRETY.**  
**INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED WITHOUT ACTION.**

Licensee's MN Sales and Use Tax ID # [REDACTED] To apply for a MN sales and use tax ID #, call (651) 296-6181  
 Licensee's Federal Tax ID # [REDACTED] Licensees must register with the Federal Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB),  
 for information call (513) 684-2979 or 1-800-937-8864

**Applicant:**

|  |                         |  |                          |   |
|--|-------------------------|--|--------------------------|---|
| Licensee Name (Business, Partnership, Corporation)<br><i>Randhangurung Corporation</i> |                         | Business Name (DBA)<br><i>Easy street liquor</i>             |                          | Social Security #<br>[REDACTED]                 |
| Licensee Location (Physical Address)<br><i>1150 East County Road E</i>                 |                         | License Period<br>From <i>02/01/2020</i> To <i>4/30/2020</i> |                          | DOB (Individual Applicant)<br><i>06/01/1980</i> |
| City<br><i>Vadnais Heights</i>   | County<br><i>Ramsey</i> | State<br><i>MN</i>   | Zip Code<br><i>55110</i> |   |
| E-mail Address<br><i>Krishh2011@yahoo.com</i>  |                         | Business Phone Number<br>[REDACTED]                          |                          | Applicant's Home Phone #<br>[REDACTED]          |

If a Corporation, LLC, or Partnership - state name, date of birth, Social Security # address, title, and Percent Owned by each officer.

| Partner Officer (First, middle, last) | DOB               | SS#        | Title            | Percent    | Address, City, State, Zip Code                  |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|------------------|------------|---|
| <i>Bir B Gurung</i>                   | <i>04/24/1986</i> | [REDACTED] |                  | <i>25%</i> | <i>2242 Jennifer Ln<br/>N St Paul, MN 55109</i> |
| <i>Ram K Gurung</i>                   | <i>08/03/1989</i> | [REDACTED] |                  | <i>25%</i> | <i>2242 Jennifer Ln<br/>N St Paul MN 55109</i>  |
| <i>Karna B Gurung</i>                 | <i>06/1/1980</i>  | [REDACTED] | <i>President</i> | <i>25%</i> | <i>2602 park st<br/>Little Canada MN 55117</i>  |
| <i>Krishna B Gurung</i>               | <i>04/27/1987</i> | [REDACTED] |                  | <i>25%</i> | <i>2242 Jennifer Ln<br/>N St Paul, MN 55109</i> |

- If a corporation, date of incorporation 01/06/2020, state incorporated in MN If a subsidiary of any other corporation, so state \_\_\_\_\_  
 If incorporated under the laws of another state, is corporation authorized to do business in the state of Minnesota?  
 Yes  No
- Describe premises to which license applies; such as (first floor, second floor, basement, etc.) or if entire building, so state. First floor
- Is establishment located near any state university, state hospital, training school, reformatory or prison?  
 Yes  No. If yes, state approximate distance. \_\_\_\_\_
- Name and address of building owner Charles Cook  
 Has owner of building any connection, directly or indirectly, with applicant?  Yes  No

5. Is/are applicant(s), a member of the governing body of the municipality in which this license is to be issued?  
 Yes  No If Yes, in what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Have applicants any interest whatsoever, directly or indirectly, in any other liquor establishment in the state of Minnesota?  Yes  No If yes, give name and address of establishment. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Are the premises now occupied or to be occupied by the applicant entirely separate and exclusive from any other business establishment?  Yes  No
8. State whether applicant has or will be granted, an On Sale Liquor License in conjunction with this Off Sale Liquor License and for the same premises.  Yes  No  Will be granted
9. State whether applicant has or will be granted a Sunday On Sale Liquor License in conjunction with the regular On Sale Liquor License.  Yes  No  Will be granted
10. If this application is for a County Board Off Sale License, state the distance in miles to the nearest municipality.  
no
11. If this license is being issued by a County Board, has a public hearing been held as per MN Statute 340A.405 sub2(d)? no
12. If this license is being issued by a County Board, is it located in an organized township?  
**If so, attach township approval.** no

### Violations

1. Has applicant(s) had a liquor license revoked in the last 5 years;  Yes  No If so, give dates and details.  
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2. Has applicant, partners, officers, or employees ever had any liquor law violations or felony convictions in Minnesota or elsewhere?  Yes  No  
 If yes, give dates, charges and final outcome \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. During the past license year, has a summons been issued under the Liquor Civil Liability Law (Dram Shop) M.S. 340A.802.  Yes  No If yes, attach a copy of the summons.

### REPORT BY POLICE/SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

This is to certify that the applicant and the associates named herein have not been convicted within the past five years for any felonies or municipal ordinances relating to intoxicating liquor except as follows:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
 Police/Sheriff's Department

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 County Attorney's Signature