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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: CHRISTINE JOYCE, TOWN MANAGERS OFFICE
FROM: FIRE CHIEF
SUBJECT: COMMENTS RE: 2006 LICENSE RENEWALS
DATE: 12/9/2005
CC: GARRY RHODES, BUILDING COMMISSIONER

Don:

As requested, the following is my response and comments relative to annual license renewals. Aside from liquor licenses, and licenses to sell wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises, I have no objections or comments relative to the issuance of renewal licenses to the present license holders. However, as you are aware, this year the more stringent provisions of Chapter 304, Acts of 2004 are in place regarding inspections of all establishments with liquor licenses, by both the Building Department and the Fire Department. In that regard, with one exception all of the establishments holding liquor licenses have been inspected by this department and as a result I would have no objection to the re-issuance of annual liquor licenses to the current holders, with two exceptions, which I detail below. In addition, I should note that there are several establishments which have outstanding building department issues and as a result, inspection certificates have not been signed.

First, it is my understanding that the operators of Savory Lane have not responded to any notifications relative to this matter and therefore no inspections have been conducted. As a result, I cannot recommend renewal of their license at this time, although I have no reason to suspect that they would not successfully pass an inspection by this department. The only other establishment at issue at this point is the Makaha Restaurant. An inspection approximately one week ago resulted in a number of items noted for corrective action. The majority of these items were addressed within 2 or 3 days. The item of most concern was a problem with their fire alarm panel. Due to the age of the panel, it cannot be repaired and must be replaced. The owner of the property has agreed to do so. As a result a fire alarm contractor has been hired, fire alarm equipment has been purchased and a permit for repair issued for this property. This panel is being replaced today. Therefore, as this writing I cannot say that the Makaha is in full compliance and cannot sign the required certificate of inspection. However, once this panel is replaced, which should be done today, I would be able to sign off on their inspection certificate and would have no objection to the renewal of their liquor license.



Robert C. Craig
Fire Chief