

Judee Jones

From: Jason Combs <jasonlesliecombs@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 4, 2022 4:39 PM
To: Chandler Crawford
Subject: [Caution - External Email] Re: FW: Notice of Alcohol Application - Sobremesa Wine Bar
Attachments: 2312.Abercorn.Support.Letter.pdf

Chandler,

This business and everything it has proposed in its business plan (including serving alcohol) was already exhaustively discussed, both by the TSNA Board, and the residents by way of the chat page on Facebook. See attached letter that was sent to MPC.

Jason L. Combs
M.C.R.P. & M.S.Arch, Georgia Institute of Technology

On Wed, May 4, 2022 at 4:23 PM Chandler Crawford <CCrawford@savannahga.gov> wrote:

From: Chandler Crawford
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2022 2:58 PM
To: Jason Combs <jasonlesliecombs@gmail.com>
Subject: Notice of Alcohol Application - Sobremesa Wine Bar

I would like to inform you of a proposed **BAR/LOUNGE** in your neighborhood. **Sobremesa Wine Bar @ 2312 Abercorn Street** has applied for an Alcohol License. The City of Savannah understands the importance of a positive working relationship between businesses and the community they serve. For that reason, we encourage new business owners to meet with neighborhood leaders and residents to discuss expectations and the business's plan. As the Neighborhood Association President, you are free to contact the business owner, **Guinnevere McMillion (678.608.9162)**, to facilitate that discussion.

If you do not see the need to meet with the applicant, please respond to this email indicating no meeting is required.

The establishment will be going before the City Council tentatively scheduled for **May 12th, 2022.**

Thomas Square Neighborhood Association Board
320 East 40th Street
Savannah, GA 31401

January 14th, 2022

Metropolitan Planning Commission
110 East State Street
Savannah, GA 31401

Re: 21-006078-ZA

To: MPC Project Planner: Melissa Leto, and all other whom it may concern:

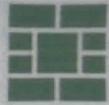
The Board of the Thomas Square Neighborhood Association (TSNA) has voted 8-1 to support the granting of a special use permit, as requested by Guinnevere McMillon for 2312 Abercorn Street.

The members of the Board held a long discussion of the matter, with many concerns considered. In the end, support for Guinnevere McMillon and the wine bar concept generally coalesced around the idea that while all areas of concern have not yet been solved, the Board would prefer to deal with, and the neighborhood is more likely to benefit from, a “bird in hand” with a sophisticated and attractive proposal for this commercial space, from a steward who has already shown herself interested in being a cooperative community partner, rather than an unknown future potential use that might need no special permissions or support from the Board. Thus, the Board (8-1) approves of the special use permit for Guinnevere McMillon at 2312 Abercorn Street.

However, the Board’s continuing concerns are not limited to the dissenting vote. Parking, noise, and refuse are all issues that that could negatively affect the quality of life of neighborhood members whose residential properties surround this location. The Board will expect that a good commercial neighbor will address these issues and see that they are mitigated above and beyond what is required by ordinance.

Sincerely, the TSNA Board:

Jason Combs, Acting President
Barry K. Atwood
Renee Bettag
Amy Dembinski Bodek
Celeste Doppel Cavert
Kwela Sabine Hermanns
Christopher Jean
Virginia Mobley
Kevin Rose

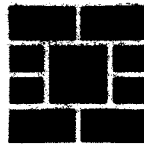


AGENDA ITEM TITLE: NEW APPLICATION ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE

Agenda Date:	05-12-22
Notification Date from Revenue:	03-07-22
Business Name:	Sobremesa Wine Bar
Business Address:	2312 Abercorn St
Compliant:	YES <u> X </u> NO <u> </u>
Code Violations:	NA
Code Case #	NA
Re-Inspection Date:	NA

Comments:





MEMO

To: Judgee Jones, Revenue Administrator
From: Candra Teshome, Senior Planner
Date: April 25, 2022
Re: Zoning Review of Alcoholic Beverage License Request 22-001968-ABL

In reference to the application of **Guinnevere McMillion, T/A Sobremesa Wine Bar**, requesting an alcoholic beverage license at **2312 Abercorn St (PIN 20065 37004)** I have determined that the **Proposed Use, Bar; tavern with Retail consumption dealer (on-premise consumption of alcohol)** within the current Traditional Commercial-1 (TC-1) zoning district:

I have determined that the **Proposed Use(s)**:

- Is Permitted by Right:
- Is Not Permitted
- Received a Special Use Permit from The Mayor and Aldermen: Received Special Use Permit No. 21-006078-ZA with the following conditions:
 1. Provide proof of a right-of-way encroachment agreement in order for petitioner to utilize the courtyard;
 2. Prohibit the transfer of the Special Use Permit;
 3. Allow for on-premises consumption only;
 4. Restrict hours of operation to:
 - a. Tuesday thru Friday, 4:00 PM to 12:00 AM
 - b. Saturdays, 11:00 AM to 12:00 AM
 5. Verify location of the recycling and compost bin on the site;
 6. Provide an annual permit review by City Staff.
- Is Permitted as a Limited Use with Standards
- Is Permitted as a Nonconforming Use

Additionally, I have determined that the **Proposed Use**:

- Is an Existing use/occupancy, but new ownership, management or request.
- Is a New use/occupancy.

Additionally, I have determined that the **Location** has:

- Zoning Ordinance violations that need to be corrected prior to the issuance of the Alcoholic Beverage License
- Has a Business Location Approval application submitted July 27, 2021, currently awaiting approved building permitting per File No. 21-004278-BA.



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TO: Theresa Harrison, Director
THRU: David Gay, Captain
Robert Larry, ABC Unit Lieutenant
FROM: Brandon Thomas, Sergeant
DATE: March 21, 2022
SUBJECT: Sombresa Wine Bar/ 2312 Abercorn St.

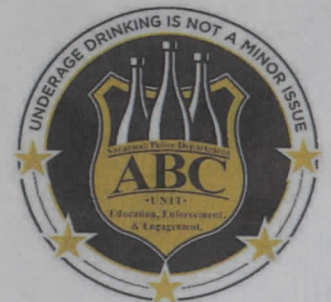
The purpose of this memorandum is to submit recommendations effective 03/21/2022. The following information is being supplied on an official basis concerning a new Alcoholic Beverage License for **Guinnevere McMillion**. A security plan has been submitted by the applicant and reviewed by the Savannah Police Department.

The security plan was examined to ensure it properly addressed all mentioned concerns in the City of Savannah's Alcohol Beverage Ordinance, Section 6-1206, Subsection D, Paragraph 4, Items A-I (as applicable).

In reference to the petition for **Guinnevere McMillion** requesting a **Class C Retail Dealer (Malt Beverage and Wine)** permit at 2312 Abercorn St., T/A "Sobremesa Wine Bar", I submit the following:

Guinnevere McMillion's security plan has been reviewed. It should be noted the security plan addresses all applicable concerns set forth by the governing sections of the City of Savannah's Alcohol Ordinance. The Savannah Police Department has no reason(s) for recommending denial of this security plan.


Brandon Thomas, ABC Unit Sergeant





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TO: Joseph A. Medler, City Manager

THRU: Ben Herron, Major
Alex Tobar, Captain *AST*
Dana Purvis Lieutenant *DP*

FROM: Brandon Thomas, ABC Sergeant *(BT)*

DATE: March 7, 2022

SUBJECT: Sobremesa Wine Bar / 2312 Abercorn Street

The purpose of this memorandum is to submit recommendations effective 03/07/2022. The following information concerns the original Alcohol Beverage License application for **Ms. Guinnevere McMillion**. Pertinent records of the Georgia Crime Information Center and local agencies have been searched as of this date with the following results:

SAVANNAH POLICE DEPARTMENT DISPOSITION

No Record

GEORGIA CRIME INFORMATION CENTER DISPOSITION

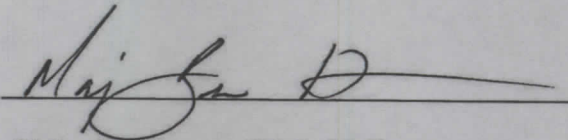
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Warrants

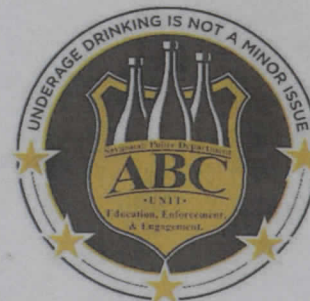
None

The petitioner is requesting **Class C (Retail Dealer, On Premise: Malt Beverage, Wine)** at 2312 Abercorn Street, T/A "Sobremesa Wine Bar"

Ms. Guinnevere McMillion criminal history is on file. There are no disqualifying criminal records. The Savannah Police Department's recommendation for approval is solely based on the applicants' criminal history and has no reason for recommending denial of this petition.



Major Ben Herron, Chief of Police Designee
Savannah Police Department



****PUBLIC NOTICE****

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL
ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE HEARING
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Guinnevere McMillion for Sobremesa t/a Sobremesa Wine Bar is requesting a Class C (Beer, Wine)(By the Drink) Alcohol License at 2312 Abercorn St. The establishment is located between E. 39th St. and E. 40th St. in Aldermanic District 2. The applicant plans to operate a bar/lounge. (New Owner/New Request). The applicant will be heard at the meeting of City Council at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, May 12, 2022, in Council Chambers, second floor of City Hall, 2 E. Bay Street.

Anyone objecting to the issuance of this license may appear at that time and be heard.

City of Savannah
Mark Massey
Clerk of Council

**SAVANNAH MORNING NEWS
SPECIAL NOTICE COLUMN**

Please insert the above notice in the SPECIAL NOTICE column of the Savannah Morning News: Thursday, May 5, 2022.

Please let the City's Purchasing Department have two copies of the affidavit of publication.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL

Legal notice emailed to Purchasing to be forwarded to Savannah Morning News:
Tuesday, May 3, 2022.