



June 9, 2026

Paul Cobet, President
Downtown Neighborhood Association
P.O. Box 9416
Savannah, GA 31412

Dear Paul Cobet:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of a proposed establishment in your neighborhood. The business has applied for an Alcohol Beverage License for the Birria Spot at 501 Montgomery St. The City of Savannah values the importance of fostering positive relationships between businesses and the communities they serve. As such, we encourage new business owners to meet with neighborhood leaders and residents to discuss expectations and the business's plans. As Downtown Neighborhood Association President, you are free to contact the business owner Brandon Aguilar at (478) 954-3421 to facilitate that discussion.

If your neighborhood association does not wish to meet with the applicant, please respond to this email indicating no meeting is required.

Proposed Alcohol Beverage License			
Name of Applicant	Business Name/Address	Alcohol License Request	Scheduled Council Date
Birria Spot	Birria Spot 501 Montgomery St	Class C Retail Consumption <i>On-premises consumption</i>	June 25, 2026

If the neighborhood association has any concerns, you may contact our office at (912) 651-3662.

Kind Regards,
Katrina Myers, MPA
Neighborhood Services Liaison

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: NEW APPLICATION ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE

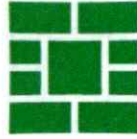
Agenda Date:	TBD
Notification Date from Revenue:	5/14/2026
Business Name:	Birria Spot
Business Address:	501 Montgomery St
Compliant:	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Code Violations:	
Code Case #	26-004894
Re-Inspection Date:	6/04/2026

Comments: Sidewalk Permit 24-17909 was issued. Code case 26-004894 was closed as voluntary compliance.



Officer's Name:
Judy Stewart

Date: 5/14/2026



MEMO

To: Judee Jones, Revenue Director
From: Aislee Jackson, Zoning Use Coordinator
Date: June 11, 2026
Re: Zoning Review of Alcoholic Beverage License Request 26-002889-ABL

In reference to the application of **Brandon Aguilar / DBA Birria Spot**, who is requesting an alcoholic beverage license at **501 Montgomery St (PIN 20045 21001)**, I have determined that the Proposed Use, **Restaurant with Retail consumption dealer (on-premises consumption of alcohol)** within the current Downtown Commercial (D-C) zoning district:

- Is Permitted by Right:** The principal use classification Restaurant, as defined in Article 13 of the Zoning Ordinance, is permitted by right in the zoning district. The property is not within the boundaries of an Alcohol Density Overlay District.
- Requires a Special Use Permit from The Mayor and Aldermen:
- Is Permitted as a Limited Use with Standards:** Retail consumption dealer (on-premises consumption of alcohol) is permitted as a limited use. Alcohol sales are limited to on-premises consumption only.
- Is Not Permitted
- 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.

Further, I have determined that **Parking** at the property:

- The parking requirement is met/exempt.**
- The proposed use(s) are deficient in the parking standards

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
- Does not have a recent Business Location Approval or application submission.
- Obtained a new Business Location Approval for the Restaurant principal use classification on February 10, 2025 (File No. 24-001909-BA).**



MEMORANDUM

TO: Lenny Gunther, Chief of Police

THRU: Max Nowinsky, Major of Field Operations 
William Barnett, Administrative Sergeant

FROM: Ciera Dailey , Revenue Investigator

DATE: June 08, 2026

SUBJECT: Birria Spot / 501 Montgomery Street

The purpose of this memorandum is to submit a recommendation for an Alcoholic Beverage License effective **June 25, 2026**. The following information concerns the Alcoholic Beverage License application for **Brandon Aguilar**. Pertinent records of the Georgia Crime Information Unit and local agencies have been searched as of this date with the following results:

Savannah Police Department Disposition

No disqualifying information found.

Georgia Crime Information Center Disposition

No disqualifying information found.



The petitioner is requesting an **Class C123, Distilled Spirits, Malt Beverage and Wine by the drink with Sunday Sales at 501 Montgomery Street, Birria Spot**.

The fingerprints for the ABL Applicant **Brandon Aguilar** are on file with the Alcohol Beverage Compliance Unit. No disqualifying criminal records are outlined in the City of Savannah Code of Ordinances.

The Savannah Police Department's recommendation for **approval** for the ABL Applicant and ABL Responsible Applicant.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Judee Jones, Revenue Director 
THRU: Max Nowinsky, Major of Field Operations 
William Barnett, Administrative Sergeant
FROM: Ciera Dailey, Revenue Investigator
DATE: May 26, 2026
SUBJECT: Birria Spot / 501 Montgomery Street

The purpose of this memorandum is to submit recommendations effective **05/26/2026**. The following information is being supplied on an official basis concerning a new Alcoholic Beverage License for **Brandon Aguilar**. A safety plan has been submitted by the applicant and reviewed by the Savannah Police Department.

The safety 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 **Brandon Aguilar** requesting a **Class C123 Distilled Spirits, Malt Beverage and Wine by the drink with Sunday Sales*** at **501 Montgomery Street, Birria Spot**. I submit the following:

Brandon Aguilar safety plan has been reviewed. It should be noted; the safety 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 safety plan.

*******PUBLIC NOTICE*******

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

Brandon Aguilar for Lotta Red LLC t/a **Birria Spot** is requesting a **Class C (Liquor, Beer, and Wine) Alcohol License with Sunday Sales** at **501 Montgomery Street**. The establishment is located between West Gaston Street and West Huntington Street in Aldermanic District 2. The applicant plans to operate a Restaurant. *(New Applicant/ Existing Business)*.

The applicants will be heard at the meeting of the City Council at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, June 25, 2026, in the:

Council Chambers, second floor of City Hall, 2 East Bay Street.

Anyone objecting to the issuance of these licenses may appear at that time and be heard.

City of Savannah

Mark Massey

Clerk of Council

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PUBLIC NOTICE COLUMN

Please insert the above notice in the PUBLIC NOTICE column of the Savannah Morning News: **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2026.**

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:

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2026.