



Greetings David McDonald,

I would like to inform you of a proposed established in your neighborhood, Hawthorne Inn, 524 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. has applied for an Alcohol Beverage 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 Downtown President you are free to contact the business owner, Alexander Bender: (404) 452-4825 to facilitate that discussion.

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

The following Restaurant will go before the Savannah City Council tentatively scheduled for May 26, 2023.

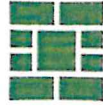
Company Name	Location
Hawthorne Inn	524 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

If there are any concerns, please contact the City of Savannah at (912) 651-6520

Kind Regards,

Katrina Myers, MPA
Community Outreach Coordinator
kmyers@savannahga.gov
Office:912- 651-6520 ext. 8772 Cell: 912-429-9577





AGENDA ITEM TITLE:

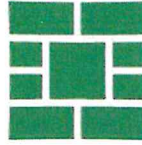
Agenda Date:	11-28-2023
Notification Date from Revenue:	9/29/2023
Business Name:	HAWTHORN MINIBAR
Business Address:	524 MLK BLVD
Compliant:	YES
Code Violations:	NO
Code Case #	23-007020
Re-Inspection Date:	N/A

Photographs:



Officer's Name Judy Stewart

Date: __9/29/2023



MEMO

To: Judee Jones, Revenue Administrator
From: Aislee Jackson, Zoning Use Coordinator
Date: November 27, 2023
Re: Zoning Review of Alcoholic Beverage License Request 23-006040-ABL

In reference to the application of **Hawthorn Minibar, LLC DBA The Hawthorn Minibar & Lounge / Alexander Bender** requesting an alcoholic beverage license at **524 Martin Luther King Blvd (PIN 20045 21015)** I have determined that the **Proposed Use, Bar/Lounge, with Retail consumption dealer (on premises consumption of alcohol)** within the current **D-C (Downtown Commercial)** zoning district:

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

- Is permitted by right.
- Is Not Permitted
- Requires a Special Use Permit from The Mayor and Aldermen
- Is Permitted as a Limited Use with Standard(s)**: The Primary use classification *Bar / Lounge* is permitted as a limited use with standards per Article 5 Sec. 5.4 Principal Use Table. The use is permitted by right, because the parcel is not within the boundaries of an Alcohol Density Overlay District. Alcohol sales are limited to on-premises consumption only.
- Is Permitted as a Limited Use with Standard(s)**: The accessory use classification *Retail consumption dealer (on premises consumption of alcohol)* is permitted as a limited use with standards per Article 5 Sec. 5.4 Principal Use Table. Per Article 8 Sec. 8.7.24(b)(i), the use is permitted by right, because the parcel is not within the boundaries of an Alcohol Density Overlay District. Alcohol sales are limited to on-premises consumption only.
- Is Permitted as a Non-conforming Use

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

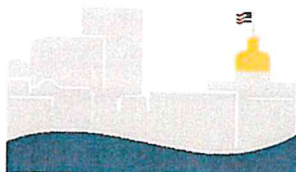
- The parking is exempt / met (Pre-existing use).**
- The proposed use(s) are deficient in the parking standards.

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
- Obtained a new Business Location Approval for the Bar / Lounge principal use classification on November 27, 2023, per BLA Plan No 22-004778-BA.**







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TO: Joseph A. Melder, City Manager

THRU: Lenny Gunther, Chief of Police
Devonn Adams, Asst. Chief of Police
Ben Herron, Major 
Alex Tobar, Captain 
Eric Smith, Lieutenant 
William Barnett, Sergeant 

FROM: Cpl. Wanya Hendrix, ABC Investigator

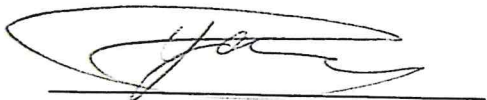
DATE: October 19, 2023

Subject: The Hawthorne Minibar/ 524 MLK Blvd.

The purpose of this memorandum is to submit recommendations effective 10/19/2023. The following information concerns the Responsible Party Application for **Alexander J Bender**.

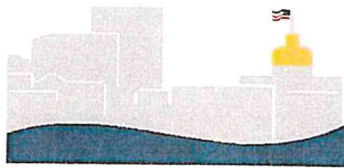
The petitioner is requesting business licensing of a **Class C123** for, by the drink sale of **distilled spirits, malt beverages and wine (Bar/Lounge)** at **Hawthorn Minibar, LLC (Advertised as The Hawthorne Minibar)** located at **524 MLK Blvd.**

A review of the criminal history of **Mr. Alexander J Bender**, to be found on file with the Alcohol Beverage Compliance Unit, revealed no disqualifying information as outlined in the City of Savannah Code of Ordinances, Section 6-1207, b.6. Based solely on the applicant's criminal history, the Savannah Police Department recommends approval of the above petition.



Cpl. Wanya Hendrix, Savannah Police Department








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TO: Dr. Jennifer Blalock, Interim Revenue Director

THRU: Ben Herron, CID Major 
Alex Tobar, CID Captain
Eric Smith, CID Lieutenant 
William Barnett, ABC Sergeant 

FROM: Wanya Hendrix, ABC Investigator

DATE: November 10, 2023


SUBJECT: Hawthorne Minibar/ 524 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

The purpose of this memorandum is to submit recommendations effective 11/10/23. The following information is being supplied on an official basis concerning a new Alcoholic Beverage License for **Mr. Alexander Bender**. 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 **Mr. Alexander Bender** requesting a **Class C123 (Bar/Lounge)** for on premise consumption of distilled spirits, malt beverages and wine permit at Hawthorne Minibar. I submit the following:

Mr. Bender'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.



Cpl. Wanya Hendrix

Savannah Police Department



****PUBLIC NOTICE****

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

Alexander Bender for Hawthorn Minibar LLC t/a The Hawthorn Minibar and Lounge is requesting a Class C (Liquor, Beer, and Wine) (By the Drink) Alcohol License at 524 Martin Luther King Blvd. The establishment is located between West Huntingdon and West Gaston Streets in Aldermanic District 2. The applicant plans to operate a restaurant. (New Owner/New Location). The applicant will be heard at the meeting of the City Council at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, December 7, 2023, 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: **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2023.**

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, NOVEMBER 17, 2023.