



Greetings David McDonald,

I would like to inform you of a proposed established in your neighborhood, **Savannah Harbor Cruise. 318 E River St** 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, **Captain Keith Walston: 9843-683-8168** 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 will go before the Savannah City Council tentatively scheduled for September 28, 2023.

Company Name	Location
Savannah Harbor Cruise	318 E River St

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

Kind Regards,

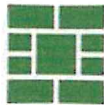
*Katrina Myers, MPA*

Community Outreach Coordinator

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**AGENDA ITEM TITLE:**

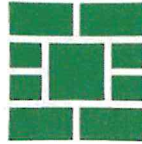
Agenda Date:	9/14/2023
Notification Date from Revenue:	8/15/2023
Business Name:	SAVANNAH HARBOR CRUISE
Business Address:	502 E. RIVER STREET
Compliant:	YES
Code Violations:	NO
Code Case #	23-006156
Re-Inspection Date:	N/A

Photographs:



Officer's Name Judy Stewart

Date: \_\_9/1/2023



# MEMO

To: Judee Jones, Revenue Administrator  
From: Aislee Jackson, Zoning Use Coordinator  
Date: October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023  
Re: Zoning Review of Alcoholic Beverage License Request 23-005016-ABL

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In reference to the application of **Keith William Walston, Savannah Harbor Cruises**, requesting an alcoholic beverage license at **502 E River St** (PIN [20004 06001](#)) I have determined that the **Proposed Use, *Tour company terminal / Watercraft Launch/Ramp and Ancillary retail dealer (off-premise consumption of alcohol)*** within the current Downtown Waterfront (D-W) zoning district:

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

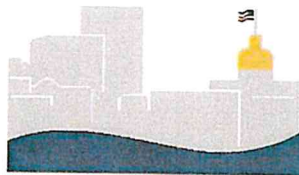
- Is Permitted by Right:** The accessory use classification *Ancillary retail dealer (off-premises consumption)* is permitted by right in the zoning district.
- Is Not Permitted
- Requires a Special Use Permit from The Mayor and Aldermen:
- Is Permitted as a Limited Use with Standards:
- Is Permitted as a Non-conforming 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
- Business Location Approval:** Has a recent Business Location Approval for the *Tour company terminal / Watercraft Launch/Ramp* principal use classification approved April 11, 2023, per File No. 23-001536-BA.



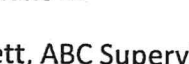


# SAVANNAH POLICE

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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 

**FROM:** Sgt. William Barnett, ABC Supervisor

**DATE:** September 1, 2023

**Subject:** Savannah Harbor Cruises/502 E River St.

The purpose of this memorandum is to submit recommendations effective 9/1/2023. The following information concerns the Alcohol Business License Applicant, **Keith Walston**.

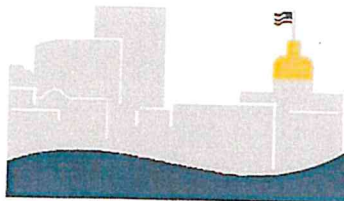
The petitioner is requesting business licensing of a **Class G3 Complimentary Service of Malt Beverages and Wine** at **Savannah Harbor Cruises** located at **502 E. River St.**

A review of the criminal history of **Mr. Keith Walston** was completed in February 2023 and is 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.



Sgt. William Barnett, 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

**FROM:** William Barnett, ABC Sergeant

**DATE:** September, 22<sup>nd</sup> 2023

**SUBJECT:** Savannah Harbor Cruise/502 E River St.


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The purpose of this memorandum is to submit recommendations effective 9/22/23. The following information is being supplied on an official basis concerning a new Alcoholic Beverage License for **Mr. Keith Walston**. 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. Keith Walston** requesting a **Class G23 Complementary service of beer and wine** permit at **Savannah Harbor Cruise/502 E River St**, I submit the following:

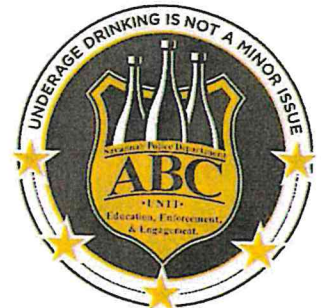
**Mr. Keith Walston's** security plan has been reviewed. It should be noted the security plan addresses all applicable concerns set forth by the governing sections of the City of Savannah's Alcohol Ordinance. The Savannah Police Department has no reason(s) for recommending denial of this security plan.



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Sgt. William Barnett

Savannah Police Department



**\*\*PUBLIC NOTICE\*\***

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

Keith Walston for Savannah Harbor Cruises LLC t/a Savannah Harbor Cruises is requesting a Class G (Beer, Wine) (Complimentary) (By the Drink) Alcohol License at 502 E River Street (docking address). The docking address is located between East Broad Ramp and East Lincoln Street in Aldermanic District 2. The applicant plans to operate a vessel. (New Owner/ New Request). The applicant will be heard at the meeting of the City Council at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, October 12, 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

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**OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL**

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