

BARLEY BARN TAP HOUSE – OWNER’S NARRATIVE

INTRODUCTION

This project was recommended for approval by City staff with conditions and presented at the August HDC before being continued prior to a vote. Since that time applicant has revised the project with the following changes.

THE CONDITIONS CONTAINED IN THE STAFF RECOMENDATION FOR APPROVAL WILL BE FULLY MET

These include omitting the request for a full "hard " liquor license and instead employ the use of a beer only, ABC Type 40 license. This license, consistent with the Tap House theme, will allow minors on premises without the necessity of a full service on site kitchen, although the location of the Barley Barn will in effect be many restaurants in one because applicant intends to have food service by the many restaurants less than a 3 minute walk away on Barley Barn premises , waterfall deck and patio areas .These include Wilds BBQ, Hacienda ,Pizzeria Classico Citizen Vine, Plank , Sutter Steakhouse and others.. Delivery services by the venues, Door Dash, Grub Hub, and others will be used to facilitate this popular function. This will be a significant assistance to these restaurants creating an additional customer base for them without adding to the high concentration of food service places already in the locale.

Hours of operation will be reduced from applicant's original request to : Sunday to Wednesday 11 am to 10:00 pm
Thursday to Saturday 11 am to 12:30 am

These hours of operation are the minimum necessary for financial viability since high profit hard liquor and food sales are now omitted from the business model. They are also consistent with other similar venues on Sutter Street and recent HDC approvals.

ENTERTAINMENT

The historic district is home to a variety of public and private live music venues and genres. These include the Sutter St Amphitheater and associated performances like the Thursday Music Series, weekend street musicians, private venues like Powerhouse , Folsom Hotel, Hacienda , Gaslight, and others. Applicant wishes to also provide limited entertainment not to be confused by a full band "club" type stage performance i.e., PowerHouse or Folsom Hotel , but a solo, duet or trio type offering in keeping with a Tap House theme. No raised stage type area is contemplated for this more subdued performance type.

It should be noted strict sound ,security and safety requirements are mandated by all Sutter St entertainment venues in their Entertainment Permit .Applicant is practiced at responsible hospitality measures including security staffing, cameras ,neighborhood cleanup, well light exterior grounds ,well-marked ride sharing pick up locations, and continued operation of the Sutter Street Surfer Free Shuttle.

ARCHITECTURE

Applicant received a variety of negative comments regarding the Folsom Prison Brews architectural theme and association with Folsom State Prison. Therefore a completely new theme was chosen for the Tap House in accordance with public comments and all Folsom Codes including adherence to Section [17.52.To](#) provide an historical observance the building will be themed in the iconic old western barn type structure that was so prevalently used in and around Folsom A typical raised loft and large entry doors will be constructed as if to accommodate wagons, livestock or crops common to the barn construction of the day. Windows will be provided to copy those needed to provide light for the packing sheds like the Earl Fruit Co. or DiGiorgio Fruit Co . Actual reclaimed barnwood will be used for external siding depicting a truly old authentic look for the building A detailed Architectural report will be included in this narrative.

Murray Weaver Owner

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