# CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

**DEPARTMENT:** Planning and Inspections Department, Planning Division

AGENDA DATE: January 19, 2021

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: January 19, 2021

**CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:** 

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**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** District 1

STRATEGIC GOAL: #3 Promote the Visual image of El Paso

SUBGOAL: 3.1 Provide business friendly permitting and inspection processes

3.2 Improve the visual impression of the community

# SUBJECT:

Discussion and action on a request from Kinective Fitness Club, LLC for City Council to grant an exception from the prohibition of the sale of alcohol beverages within three hundred feet of a public or private school for a fitness gym requesting to sell beer and wine, for the property located at 1020 Belividere, and legally described as a portion of Lot 1, Block 67-A, Chaparral Park #22, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas. (District 1)

# **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

N/A. This is a direct request to City Council.

# PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

N/A

# **AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

# **DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

Philip F. Etiwe, Director

Planning and Inspection Department

### **MOTION**

Motion made and second by City Council to grant an exception from the prohibition of the sale of alcoholic beverages within 300 feet of a public or private school requested from Kinective Fitness Club, LLC for the property located at 1020 Belvidere Street, and legally described as a portion of Lot 1, Block 67-A, Chaparral Park #22, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas.

City Council grants this exception after notice and public hearing and makes the following determination that the enforcement of the prohibition in this particular instance:

- 1. Is not in the best interest of the public;
- 2. Constitutes waste or the inefficient use of land or other resources;
- 3. Creates an undue hardship on an applicant;
- 4. Does not serve its intended purpose;
- 5. Is not effective or necessary; or
- 6. After consideration of the health, safety, and welfare of the public and the equities of the situation, determines is in the best interest of the community.

APPROVED on this day of	, 2021.
	THE CITY OF EL PASO:
ATTEST:	Oscar Leeser Mayor
	Mayor
Laura D. Prine	
City Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:
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Leslie B. Jean-Pierre	Philip F. Etiwe, Director
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<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

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**TO:** The Honorable Mayor and Council

Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager

FROM: Raul Garcia, Planning Program Manager

**DATE:** January 5, 2021

RE: Appeal of Prohibition of Sale of Alcoholic Beverages –

1020 Belvidere

Kinective Fitness Club, LLC applied to the City for an alcoholic beverage license and was denied because the proposed location at 1020 Belvidere is within 300 feet of Polk Elementary School and Premier High School

The Planning Division determined that:

- The subject property is located within 300 feet of a public or private school; and,
- The location does not qualify for the license under any "grandfathering" provisions in the El Paso City Code.

The applicant was informed the El Paso City Code prohibits the sale, storage or handling of alcoholic beverages for the purpose of sale in any zoning district where the place of business is located within three hundred feet of a church, public or private school, public hospital, day-care center or child-care facility, however, this section shall not apply where the applicant has approval in writing from the affected church, public or private school, public hospital, day-care center or child-care facility. The applicant was unable to obtain approval in writing from the school.

The applicant was informed the El Paso City Code allows an exception to be granted by City Council from the prohibition of the sale of alcoholic beverages within 300 feet of a church, school, commercial day care or public hospital after making certain

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determinations listed in Title 20, *Zoning*; Section 20.10 *Supplemental Use Regulations*; Subsection 20.10.060.B.7 *Alcoholic beverages*:

The city council may grant an exception from prohibition of the sale of alcoholic beverages within three hundred feet of a church, school, commercial day car or public hospital after notice and public hearing if the council determines that the enforcement of the prohibition in a particular instance:

- a. Is not in the best interest of the public;
- b. Constitutes waste or the inefficient use of land or other resources;
- c. Creates an undue hardship on an applicant;
- d. Does not serve its intended purpose;
- e. Is not effective or necessary; or
- f. For any other reason the city council, after consideration of the health, safety, and welfare of the public and the equities of the situation, determines is in the best interest of the community.

The subject property is within 300 feet of a public or private school; there are no other day-care centers, child-care facilities, churches, public or private schools, or public hospitals within 300 feet of the subject property.

The distance between the place of business where alcoholic beverages are sold and a school shall be measured in direct line from the property line of the school to the property line of the place of business, and in a direct line across intersections.

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