

MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT LICENSING

CRIMINAL RECORD/ORDINANCE VIOLATION/INCIDENTS SYNOPSIS

DATE: 06/28/23

LICENSE TYPE: Class B Tavern

NEW:

RENEWAL:

No. 353867

Application Date: 06/27/23

License Location: 2803 N. 35th Street

Business Name: Omar Food

Licensee/Applicant: SALEM, Ahmed I
(Last Name, First Name, MI)

Date of Birth: 04/18/1980

Home Address: 6257 S. 26th Street

City: Milwaukee

State: WI **Zip Code:** 53221

Home Phone: 414-552-3357

This report is written by Police Officer MONREAL, assigned to the License Investigation Unit, Days.

The Milwaukee Police Department's investigation regarding this application revealed the following:

1. On 01/24/22 at 6:54pm, Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 2803 N. 35th Street for a ShotSpotter complaint. The manager of the location was cooperative with officers and allowed them to observe and obtain video surveillance which captured the incident.
2. On 04/24/22 at 9:16pm, Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 2803 N. 35th Street for a shooting complaint. Investigation revealed that a subject had been shot in the middle of the street in front of the business. Officers were able to obtain video surveillance from the establishment which captured the incident. The victim and suspects had been inside the store prior to the shooting.

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3. On 10/20/22 at 6:11p.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to a ShotSpotter at 2803 N. 35th St. Investigation revealed a suspect had been arguing with another customer inside the store earlier in the day. The suspect then returned to the store armed with a handgun and entered the store. Upon exiting the suspect fired his firearm into the air. The employee was very cooperative with the investigation and allowed officers video surveillance of the incident. Three casings were located in front of the store.
4. On 07/18/2023 the applicant stated he shot someone at the premises during the licenses committee meeting. Since no item appeared on the police report the meeting was held. Follow

up investigation revealed Item #1 was initially reported as a ShotSpotter complaint but was upgraded to a shooting that was reported on N 34th St. A customer did not have enough money to pay for items and during the exchange with the applicant made threats to shoot up the store. The customer exited and shot a round into the air. The customer returned to the store and shot towards the applicant and his employee and the applicant returned fire. The applicant followed the customer and fired additional rounds when he believed the customer was retrieving an additional firearm. The customer sustained multiple gunshot wounds and was arrested. The applicant was arrested. The District Attorney's Office did not issue charges against the applicant.

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749 W. State Street Milwaukee, WI 53233

414-933-4444

Case #:220240119

OtherEvent #: 23-LP-2912

Incident

2803 N 35TH ST MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN 53210

Incident Date/Time:: 01/24/2022 11:40:00
CAD Number:: 220241364
District:: 7
Beat:: 750
Reporting Area:: 2957

Business Agent (1)

SALEM, AHMED I

Person Involvement: (Must choose Agent
AGENT from drop down):
DOB:: 04/18/1980
Sex:: MALE
Race:: WHITE
Phone 1 Number:: (414)-552-3357
Phone 1 Type:: Phone
Address:: 2803 N 35TH ST
City:: MILWAUKEE
State:: WISCONSIN
Zip Code:: 53210

Licensed Premise Data (1)

Omar Food Market

Phone 1 Number:: (414)-552-3357
Phone 1 Type:: Cell
Address:: 2803 N 35TH ST
City:: MILWAUKEE
State:: WISCONSIN
Zip Code:: 53210
License Type:: Alcohol
Licensee Notification Was Made:: No
Business Was Cited For Violation:: No
Licensee was cooperative: (If not Yes
explain in narrative):
Licensee or Manager was on Yes
premises at time of
violation/incident::

Narrative (1)

LICENSED PREMISE REPORT

Sweeney, Margaret 017457

08/30/2023

This report is written by *Officer Margaret SWEENEY*, assigned to *DISTRICT #7 DAY SHIFT*.

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On August 29, 2023, I was instructed to file an updated licensed premise report related to previously reported item on the police report. It was revealed during the July 18, 2023, Licenses Committee that a ShotSpotter Complaint that was reported on January 24, 2022, resulted in a shooting involving the agent of Omar Food.

I reviewed the reports regarding this incident as it pertains to the business agent.

Monday January 24th, 2022, P.O. Steven MENGE responded to 2803 N 35th St for a complaint of a "shooting". Upon his arrival P.O. MENGE met the business agent Ahmed SALEM M/W 04/18/1980 and his employee Ramon D ALVAREZ M/W 10/23/1953.

Other responding squads located Chianti D. CROOMS 11/18/1988 at 2842 N 34th St., with two gunshot wounds to his legs and a graze wound to his head.

SALEM made an initial statement that CROOMS entered the store attempting to purchase a soda and a blunt but did not have enough money for the items. SALEM stated that he offered to take the dollar that CROOMS had but to pay for the items even though the items cost more than that. CROOMS took the items but then stated that he lost a hundred dollars in the store. CROOMS became angry and SALEM asked him to leave the store. When CROOMS exited SALEM stated that he discharged a handgun in front of the store. CROOMS also threatened to "air the store out", threatening to return and discharge the firearm into the building.

There were two possible calls located related to the shots fired:

CAD 22-024-1283 Shotspotter

CAD 22-024-1289 Shotspotter

Squads were dispatched to these calls, but nothing was located.

SALEM in his Mirandized interview with Detective Stephanie RAMSKUGLER stated that CROOMS then returned with a shotgun. CROOMS entered the store and discharged the shotgun almost striking SALEM in the head. Inside the store SALEM discharged his own firearm inside the store. An unknown citizen disarmed CROOMS of the shotgun. CROOMS went outside and SALEM followed. SALEM described that customers were running out of the store at this time as well. SALEM stated that he observed CROOMS moving his hand towards his waistband where he had had the firearm in the earlier incident. SALEM stated that he again discharged his firearm in the direction of CROOMS out of fear for his safety and the safety of his other customers. SALEM stated that he believed he struck CROOMS. CROOMS fled and was later located and arrested.

SALEM cooperated with being arrested and booked in. He cooperated with an interview. He provided the password for his surveillance and signed off that it could be reviewed without a warrant. SALEM was administratively released after his interview.

This case was reviewed by the District Attorney's Office, and they declined to pursue charges stating "self defense".

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Officer (2)		
Reporting Officer:	Sweeney, Margaret (017457)	08/30/2023 11:24:00
Section: (Work Location):	71	
Approving Officer:	Little, Trent D (015943)	08/30/2023 13:12:14
Section: (Work Location):	87	