

Melendez, Yadira

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From: License
Sent: Friday, May 30, 2025 9:02 AM
To: Melendez, Yadira
Subject: FW: 5160 W. Forest Home Ave Liquor License - Objection Opinion

Yadira,

Could you please add objection to the file and send notice for hearing? We are adding to LIRA and app now.

Marissa Milano
She/her/hers
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From: Prochaska, S L <SLProchaska@milwaukee.gov> On Behalf Of Burgelis, Peter
Sent: Friday, May 30, 2025 8:33 AM
To: ---
Cc: License <LICENSE@milwaukee.gov>; Burgelis, Peter <Peter.Burgelis@milwaukee.gov>
Subject: RE: 5160 W. Forest Home Ave Liquor License - Objection Opinion

Good morning,

Thank you for taking the time to share your detailed comments and observations regarding the liquor license application for Family Grocery Store at 5160 W. Forest Home Avenue. I appreciate your thoughtful input and your long-standing presence in the neighborhood.

I understand your concern about attending the neighborhood meeting, this is the next step before it is heard on the license committee. You also have the opportunity to attend the license hearing to voice your concerns to.

The neighborhood meeting is scheduled to provide nearby residents the opportunity to share feedback, ask questions, and hear directly from the applicant:

Neighborhood Meeting Details:

Date: Saturday, May 31, 2025

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Location: Family Grocery Store – 5160 W. Forest Home Avenue

This is an open forum for community members to voice support or concerns, and I encourage your participation if you're available.

Additionally, please note that this application for a **Class A Package Liquor license** is expected to be heard during the **June 10th meeting of the Milwaukee Common Council's Licenses Committee**, held at **City Hall, Room 301-B**. This public meeting is another important opportunity for residents to provide testimony and for committee members to ask questions and review all relevant information before making a recommendation.

Your comments regarding safety concerns, delivery disruptions, and overall quality-of-life impacts have been noted and will be part of the public record. Community feedback plays a critical role in the licensing process, and I take it seriously.

If you have any additional information or if there are others in your building who wish to submit comments, please feel free to share this information with them.

Thank you again for your engagement on this issue.

Sincerely,

-Peter

From: .

Sent: Friday, May 30, 2025 12:58 AM

To: License <LICENSE@milwaukee.gov>; Burgelis, Peter <Peter.Burgelis@milwaukee.gov>

Subject: 5160 W. Forest Home Ave Liquor License - Objection Opinion

Hope this email finds you well.

Dear Alderman Burgelis and the Licensing Committee, I am writing to express our opinions on and opposition to the application for a Class A Malt & Class A Liquor License for Family Grocery Store, located at 5160 W. Forest Home Ave. In the last 3 years, I've lived right next to the business, and all my interactions with the owner have been negative, and I worry *Class A Malt & Class A Liquor License* would further negatively impact future unavoidable interactions.

When I first moved into an apartment nearby and because I was new to the area - I parked at the grocery store temporarily to look for other available parking spaces. As I was searching on my phone, the owner of the grocery store stormed out and rushed us out of the premises. We profusely apologized to the owner for the inconvenience but was unable to deescalate the situation. While we are pulling out of the parking lot, the owner took out their cellphone and took a picture of us and our car without our permission to do so.

Ever since the incident, whenever I walked passed by or go to the underground garage, I often noticed the owner's unfriendly gaze towards me, and it makes me very uncomfortable. I worried a liquor license might negatively impact unavoidable interactions that I mentioned above.

Forest Home Ave is a very busy road that connects Greenfield and Milwaukee, even without the road works, the S. Utah Ave is a very dangerous intersection that residents have to go through and I worry a liquor license will increase the possibility of car accidents.

Although not right next door to the grocery, there are two liquor stores nearby from this location already, one next to Friends at Forest Home, and the other one is on W. Oklahoma Ave. Both are within walking distance from this location.

Thank you in advance for considering this objection during the hearing.

Melendez, Yadira

10:10 AM

From: License
Sent: Monday, June 2, 2025 12:11 PM
To: Melendez, Yadira
Subject: FW: Objections to granting license to sell liquor

Having someone add to LIRA and app, could you please send notice to objector below?

Thank you,

Marissa Milano
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From:
Sent: Saturday, May 31, 2025 3:03 AM
To: License <LICENSE@milwaukee.gov>
Subject: Objections to granting license to sell liquor

May 31, 2025

City of Milwaukee

Office of the City Clerk-License Division

Subject: Objection to New Class A Malt & Class A Liquor License Application – Family Grocery Store, 5160 W Forest Home Ave

I am writing as a resident of 5202 W Forest Home Avenue, Apartment #6, to formally object to the issuance of a Class A Malt and Class A Liquor License to the Family Grocery Store located at 5160 W Forest Home Avenue.

Although I recognize the applicant's right to conduct business, I have serious concerns about the potential consequences of granting this license, particularly for residents close to the establishment. My apartment directly neighbors the proposed location. I have already experienced a troubling incident in which a homeless individual took refuge on my private patio. Despite calling the police twice—once in the early morning and again at the end of the day—the matter was not resolved until much later, causing significant distress.

While this specific event was not directly related to the Family Grocery Store, it highlights the vulnerability of this area to disturbances and unwanted loitering. The addition of liquor sales at this location may exacerbate these issues. I have serious doubts that the store's management will take active responsibility for the negative externalities associated with alcohol sales, especially if such incidents become more frequent.

This neighborhood maintains a fragile peace, which I fear would be disrupted by increased foot traffic, intoxicated individuals, and associated behaviors. There are already stores nearby that sell liquor, and they do not provide outdoor seating or parking that might encourage patrons to linger.

Furthermore, establishments selling alcohol often attract individuals struggling with addiction. Unfortunately, these individuals may choose to remain in easily accessible locations, such as our patios, to consume their purchases. This poses safety concerns for residents, particularly when dealing with public intoxication or related aggression.

Even in the past incident I mentioned, the property management advised me that it was my responsibility to contact the authorities. I do not wish to be placed in such a vulnerable and unsupported position again.

For the reasons outlined above, I respectfully request that this license application be denied to preserve the safety, peace, and quality of life for those living in the immediate vicinity.

Sincerely,

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