

CITY OF ARVADA

REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA
LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY
APRIL 27, 2026
10:00 A.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. OLD BUSINESS – None
3. NEW BUSINESS – None
4. PUBLIC HEARING – None
 - A. Alleged Violation of the Tavern Liquor License of The Arvada Liberation LLC d/b/a The Arvada Tavern, 5707 Olde Wadsworth Blvd. Unit A & B
5. OTHER AUTHORITY ITEMS
 - A. Consider Show Cause Order for RGS Colorado LLC d/b/a Simms Liquor, 11651 West 64th Ave, Unit E-6
6. STUDY SESSION – None
10. REPORT FROM CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
11. REPORT FROM CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
12. REPORT FROM POLICE DEPARTMENT
13. ADJOURNMENT

**CITY OF ARVADA
LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY**

**AGENDA NO. 4.A.
DATE: April 27, 2026**

Item: Alleged Violation of the Tavern Liquor License of The Arvada Liberation LLC
d/b/a The Arvada Tavern, 5707 Olde Wadsworth Blvd. Unit A & B

Initiated By: Assistant City Attorney/Licensing Investigator/Deputy City Clerk

Action Proposed: Public Hearing

Presented by: Zachary Woolweaver, Assistant City Attorney

Comments:

Attached are the *Stipulation and Order* with exhibits and the *Recommendation Relating to Penalty and Order*.

Suggested Motions:

Motions:

**#1 - SUGGESTED ORDER TO ACCEPT OR REJECT:
*STIPULATION AND ORDER:***

This Local Licensing Authority accepts/rejects the proposed *Stipulation and Order*, as outlined by Assistant City Attorney, Zachary Woolweaver

**#2 - SUGGESTED MOTION TO ACCEPT OR REJECT:
*RECOMMENDATION RELATING TO PENALTY AND ORDER:***

After considering the statements made in mitigation and aggravation, the sentencing guidelines, and the Recommendation Relating to Penalty, the Local Licensing Authority of the City of Arvada accepts/rejects the Recommendation Relating to Penalty as outlined by Assistant City Attorney Zachary Woolweaver and is hereby made an order of the Local Licensing Authority of the City of Arvada, this 27th day of April, 2026.

BEFORE THE LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF ARVADA, COLORADO

IN THE MATTER OF:

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY)	
TAVERN LICENSE #17322)	
ISSUED TO ARVADA LIBERATION, LLC)	
d/b/a THE ARVADA TAVERN	)	STIPULATION
5707 OLDE WADSWORTH BLVD., UNITS A&B.	)	AND
ARVADA, COLORADO 80002	)	ORDER
SHOULD NOT BE SUSPENDED OR REVOKED)	

COMES NOW the City of Arvada, by and through its attorney, Zachary Woolweaver, and the Licensee, Arvada Liberation, LLC, doing business as The Arvada Tavern, 5707 Olde Wadsworth Boulevard, Units A and B, in Arvada, Colorado 80002, by and through its Owner, Michael Huggins, hereby stipulate and agree that the violation of CRS § 44-3-901, as alleged in Arvada Police Report for Case Number AR26004490 and the Local Licensing Authority’s Notice and Order to Show Cause dated March 23, 2026, did occur provided that the Authority accept the Parties’ Recommendation related to penalty.

The Parties hereby agree and recommend that the Arvada Liquor Authority (“Authority”) accept the following Recommendation Relating to Penalty:

The parties further stipulate that:

The Notice and Order to Show Cause dated March 23, 2026 was served and is in all respects and for all purposes legally sufficient;

The Licensee has received and reviewed a copy of the Arvada Local Liquor Licensing Authority Show Cause Hearing Procedures;

Any reviewing authority may take judicial notice of all referenced provisions of the Colorado Revised Statutes, the Colorado Code of Regulations, or other laws or regulations including the Sentencing Guidelines for the Arvada Liquor Licensing Authority dated October 24, 2013, and the Arvada Local Liquor Licensing Authority Show Cause Hearing Procedures, historical data on sanctions imposed by the Arvada Local Liquor Licensing Authority, and Colorado Department of Revenue Liquor Enforcement Division 2011 Report of Enforcement Actions, as necessary;

The Licensee has at all times pertinent to this proceeding held Tavern License Number 17322 and has had no previous violations.

The Parties stipulate to the admission of this Stipulation and Order, Recommendation Relating to Penalty and Order, and all attachments listed as Exhibits 1 through 5, respectively, which are described below and attached hereto:

EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 1. Copy of Letter to Arvada Liberation, LLC. d/b/a The Arvada Tavern dated March 23, 2026, Certificate of Certified Mailing, and Certificate of Personal Service.
- Exhibit 2. Copy of Notice and Order to Show Cause and Copy of Show Cause Hearing Procedure.
- Exhibit 3. Copy of Tavern License Number 17322 issued to Arvada Liberation, LLC d/b/a, The Arvada Tavern.
- Exhibit 4. Copy of the narratives from the February 26, 2026 incident report in Arvada Police Department Case Report Number AR26004490, in reference to the incident involving the sale of alcohol to a minor.

Dated this ²⁰_____ day of _____ April _____ 2026.

CITY OF ARVADA

ARVADA LIBERATION, LLC., d/b/a
THE ARVADA TAVERN

Zachary Woolweaver

Zachary Woolweaver
Assistant City Attorney
8101 Ralston Road
P.O. Box 8101
Arvada, Colorado 80001-8101

Michael Huggins

By: Michael Huggins
For: ARVADA LIBERATION, LLC d/b/a
THE ARVADA TAVERN
5707 Olde Wadsworth Blvd., Units A&B
Arvada, Colorado 80002



OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
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March 23, 2026

The Arvada Liberation LLC
d/b/a Arvada Tavern (The)
5707 Olde Wadsworth Blvd, Unit A & B
Arvada, CO 80002

Attached you will find a Notice and Order to Show Cause why your alcohol beverage license should not be suspended or revoked. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with certain information which will answer some of your questions concerning the procedures which you will be required to follow.

If you wish to obtain complete copies of the police reports, they can be obtained at the Arvada Police Department located at 8101 Ralston Road, or online at <https://www.arvadaco.gov/554/Order-Police-Records>

There will be a hearing before the Local Licensing Authority. You are entitled to have an attorney represent you at the hearing. If you retain an attorney, you should do so well in advance of the hearing date. Once a hearing date has been scheduled, a postponement will not be granted except for good cause shown. If you fail to appear at the scheduled time and place of the hearing, testimony will be taken in reference to the allegations, upon which evidence your license to operate under the terms of the Colorado Liquor or Beer Code may be suspended or revoked.

Motions and Settlement Proposals which you intend to present at the beginning of the hearing should be submitted in writing to the Local Licensing Authority no later than seven (7) days prior to the hearing date. If you wish to pursue some agreement as to a suspension, you should contact Zachary Woolweaver at the City Attorney's Office at 720-898-7199.

Sincerely yours,

Michelle Weaver

Hearing Officer, Local Licensing Authority

Exhibit 1

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Sent To The Arvada Liberation LLC
 Street, Apt. No.,
 or PO Box No. 5707 Olde Wadsworth Blvd, Unit A+B
 City, State, ZIP+4 Arvada, CO 80002

BEFORE THE LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF ARVADA, COLORADO

IN THE MATTER OF:

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY)	
TAVERN LICENSE 03-00563)	
ISSUED TO THE ARVADA LIBERATION LLC	)	NOTICE AND ORDER
d/b/a ARVADA TAVERN (THE)	)	TO SHOW CAUSE
5707 OLDE WADSWORTH BLVD, UNIT A & B)	
ARVADA, COLORADO 80002)	
SHOULD NOT BE SUSPENDED OR REVOKED)	

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED to appear before the Local Licensing Authority of the City of Arvada, Colorado on Monday April 27th 2026, at the hour of 10:00.m. via a virtual online meeting to then and there show cause, if any there be, why your Tavern Liquor License #03-00563 should not be suspended or revoked, pursuant to Section 44-3-601, C.R.S. for the following reasons:

SPECIFICATION #1: The Local Licensing Authority has probable cause to believe that on or about February 26th, 2026, agent(s) and/or employee(s) of and/or the Licensee did sell, serve, give away or permit the sale, serving, giving or procuring of a malt, vinous and/or spirituous liquor to a person under the age of twenty-one years, contrary to Section 44-3-901(1)(b)(I) C.R.S.

All of the foregoing is more particularly described in the accompanying reports of the Arvada Police Department.

YOU ARE HEREBY FURTHER NOTIFIED that said show cause hearing shall be conducted pursuant to the Rules of Procedure of the Local Licensing Authority and the Code of Colorado Regulations, Section 47-600 regarding, among other things, representation by counsel, order of proceedings, cross examination and statements in mitigation or aggravation.

DATED this 23rd day of March, 2026

LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF ARVADA, COLORADO

Michelle Weaver

By: Hearing Officer, Liquor Licensing Authority

Exhibit 2

ARVADA LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY SHOW CAUSE HEARING PROCEDURE

This is a hearing before the Local Licensing Authority of the City of Arvada on the Notice and Order to Show Cause why Tavern liquor license #17322 (state #03-00563), issued to The Arvada Liberation LLC, should not be suspended or revoked. This hearing is conducted pursuant to the laws of the State of Colorado and the ordinances of the City of Arvada. A record shall be kept of this hearing, and all exhibits shall be preserved.

The prosecuting City Attorney shall have the burden of proving, by preponderance of the evidence, the specifications alleged in the Notice and Order to Show Cause. The order of the hearing shall be as follows:

1. First, the City may present an opening statement. Should the City exercise this privilege, the Licensee may also present such a statement immediately thereafter, or reserve it until the beginning of the Licensee's case.

2. As it has the burden of proof, the City shall present its evidence first. It shall call witnesses and present all necessary documentary evidence for the Authority's consideration. The Licensee has the right to cross-examine each witness called by the City. However, the Authority may limit cross-examination which is cumulative, repetitive or immaterial, or in order to protect witnesses against undue harassment and embarrassment.

3. After the City rests its case, the Licensee may present the testimony of witnesses on its behalf, subject to cross-examination by the City. Also, the Licensee may choose to testify, subject to cross-examination by the City. Once both sides have presented their cases, the City will be given an opportunity to rebut all matters raised by the Licensee in Licensee's case.

4. At the conclusion of the evidence, the City and Licensee may present closing arguments. If an argument is presented by the Licensee, the City shall be given a final opportunity to rebut.

The Licensee may be represented by counsel. All testimony shall be given under oath, to be administered by the chairperson of the Authority. Statements or arguments of counsel are not considered evidence. Only testimony given under oath and exhibits properly admitted shall be considered by the Authority in reaching its decision.

Exhibits submitted shall first be marked, show to the opposing part and then identified before offering them to the chairperson for admission into evidence. The chairperson will rule on the admissibility of all exhibits and any testimony to which a party objects, and such ruling will stand unless overruled by a majority of the members of the Authority. Since this is an administrative hearing, strict rules of evidence, including those regarding the admission or hearsay, do not apply.

At the close of the hearing the Authority will deliberate upon the evidence. Afterward, the Authority may choose to render a decision immediately on the record or to take the matter under advisement and render its decision at a later date not to exceed thirty days from the date of the hearing.

A decision that the City has failed to carry its burden of proof with respect to any specification shall result in its dismissal. However, should the Authority find that the City has proven any of the specifications alleged, it will proceed directly to the determination of appropriate punishment. The Licensee will then be afforded the opportunity to present evidence in mitigation. Afterward, the City may present evidence in aggravation. The Authority will then deliberate and pass sentence on open record.

Exhibit 2

Sec. 6-6. — Sales to certain persons prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, serve, give away, dispose of, exchange or deliver or permit the sale, serving, giving, or procuring of any alcoholic beverage to or for any person under the age of 21 years or to a visibly intoxicated person or to a known habitual drunkard.

(Ord. No. 4670, § 1, 12-17-2018)

State Law reference — Unlawful acts, C.R.S. § 44-3-901(1).

44-3-901. Unlawful acts - exceptions - definitions.

(1) Except as provided in section 18-13-122, it is unlawful for any person:

(a) To sell, serve, give away, dispose of, exchange, or deliver, or permit the sale, serving, giving, or procuring of, any alcohol beverage to a visibly intoxicated person or to a known habitual drunkard;

(b) (l) To sell, serve, give away, dispose of, exchange, or deliver or permit the sale, serving, giving, or procuring of any alcohol beverage to or for any person under the age of twenty-one years.

Exhibit 3

LICENSE NUMBER: 17322



GENERAL LICENSE

LICENSE TYPE: **Tavern**

LICENSE ISSUED TO: **Arvada Liberation, LLC (The)
Arvada Tavern (The)
5707 Old Wadsworth Boulevard, Unit A & B
Arvada, CO 80002**

DATE ISSUED **April 17, 2026** FEE: **\$175.00**

LICENSE EXPIRES: **January 2, 2027**

SIGNATURE: 

**Sarah Walters
Deputy City Clerk**



PO Box 8101 * 8101 RALSTON ROAD * ARVADA, COLORADO * 80001-8101



Arvada Police Department

Incident: AR26004490

Incident details:

Incident Type: LIQUOR LAW
Incident time: 02/26/2026 17:00 - 02/26/2026 21:00
Reported time: 02/26/2026 20:56
Incident location: 8101 RALSTON RD, ARVADA, JEFFERSON CO 80002 (APD HEADQUARTERS) (Beat: APDSECTORB) (CADRESULT - 80002)
Incident status: Inactive
Reporting officer: #2534 HOAK, ALYSSA
Investigator:
Summary: Liquor Compliance Checks

Involved Persons:

Name: LVILLEGAS, ISAIAH **Gender:** Male
Classification: Subject **DOB:** 05/17/2007
Address: 8101 RALSTON RD, ARVADA, JEFFERSON CO 80002 (APD HEADQUARTERS) (Beat: APDSECTORB) (CADRESULT -
Telephone:
Height: **Weight:** **Build:**
Race: White **Hair Color:** **Eye Color:**

Name: GONZALES, MICHAEL **Gender:** Male
Classification: Subject **DOB:** 04/02/2007
Address: 8101 RALSTON RD, ARVADA, JEFFERSON CO 80002 (APD HEADQUARTERS) (Beat: APDSECTORB) (CADRESULT -
Telephone:
Height: **Weight:** **Build:**
Race: White **Hair Color:** **Eye Color:**

Associated Incidents:

- Same event / AR26004486 / LIQUOR LAW / 02/26/2026 17:17 / 5707 OLDE WADSWORTH BLVD, ARVADA, JEFFERSON CO 80002 (THE ARVADA TAVERN) (Beat: APDSECTORB) Server sold alcohol to two underage minors during a liquor compliance check.

Involved Officers:

Exhibit 4

- #2534 HOAK, ALYSSA (Reporting officer)
- #000000 CAD INTERFACE (Reporting officer)

Exhibit 4

Reports:**General report:****Author:** #2534 HOAK, ALYSSA**Report time:** 03/02/2026 10:16**Narrative:**

I, Liquor Licensing Control Administrator Hoak, completed an undercover liquor compliance check operation at 10 liquor licensed premises in Arvada on February 26th, 2026 between 1700 - 2100 hours, assisted by School Resource Officers Lechuga and Guerrero, and two under-21 Police Explorers. 17 pre-determined liquor licensed premises were scheduled for the compliance checks, although due to time constraints we were only able to check 10. Locations were selected based on factors that included previous violations, lack of recent inspection records, and recently issued or modified liquor licenses. A mix of on and off premises locations, and a mix of liquor license types were selected. The list, order, and reasons for the compliance checks are as follows:

1. Sprouts Farmers Market

Fermented Malt Beverage – 15050 W 64th Ave – Open 7am-10pm

Reason: Company structure change in 2025; mixed Department of Revenue (DOR) compliance results, no check yet by APD

2. Colorado Tap House

Tavern – 14982 W 69th Ave – Open 8:30am-9pm

Reason: Failed APD check 05/24/2022; no checks since then

3. Two Ponds Wine & Spirits

Retail Liquor Store – 9969 W 80th Ave – Open 8am-10pm

Reason: Anonymous tip received 01/10/2026 alleging sales to minors (ref CAD incident 01102026-0000728)

4. Arvada Beer Garden

Hotel & Restaurant – 9258 58th Pl – Open 11am-9pm

Reason: Newly opened in 2025; no check yet from DOR or APD

5. Brown Jug Liquors

Retail Liquor Store – 6205 Carr St – Open 9am-9pm

Reason: Last check was 02/01/2024 by DOR

6. Smooth Liquor Store

Retail Liquor Store – 6415 Sheridan Blvd – Open 10am-12am

Reason: Transfer of ownership in 2025; no check yet from DOR or APD

7. The Stockroom (inside Spirits Wine Provisions, a separate Retail Liquor Store license)

Tavern – 5713 Olde Wadsworth Blvd #B – Open 4pm-10pm (store entrance closes at 8pm)

Reason: No check yet on record from DOR or Arvada

8. Secret Level

Hotel & Restaurant – 5711 Olde Wadsworth Blvd – Open 2pm-10pm

Reason: No check yet on record from DOR or Arvada

9. Arvada Tavern

Tavern – 5707 Olde Wadsworth Blvd – Open 4pm-11pm

Reason: Last check was 10/22/2013 by DOR

10. Marmalade Lounge

Tavern – 5665 Olde Wadsworth Blvd – Open 2pm-9pm

Reason: Opened in 2021; no check yet from DOR or APD

The five of us met at APD headquarters (8101 Ralston Rd) for the pre-op briefing just after 1700 hours. The locations would be visited in order, with a half hour meal break to be taken when convenient. We would use a City of Arvada unmarked Police vehicle: a gold Ford Taurus, Colorado plate ADQ-B57, equipped with emergency lights and siren. Police Explorers Michael Gonzales (DOB 04/02/2007) and Isaiah L'Villegas (DOB 05/17/2007), and undercover SROs Lechuga and Guerrero were all wearing casual attire: sweatshirts, jeans or khaki pants, and sneakers. Both officers were armed, and carried their Arvada PD badge and BWC hidden under their sweatshirts. I wore the standard black LLCA work jacket and my badge, and would stay in the car unless there was a compliance violation.

For locations with on-premises liquor consumption, the group of four would go in together. For locations with off-premises consumption, the Explorers would go in together first, then the SROs would follow shortly after. Michael and Isaiah were each given a \$20 bill (serial numbers MA75741557D and ML70305413J) to use as "buy" money. They were advised to select liquor for purchase and to not show any ID during the checks, instead to say something along the lines of "I forgot it" or "I left it at home". They were also advised to immediately leave the premise if the sale was refused, and to not try to persuade the seller in any way.

The compliance checks were completed as follows:

1. Sprouts Farmers Market - 1740 hours - both Explorers entered the premises, followed by both SROs

Exhibit 4

approximately 30 seconds later. The Explorers returned to the car about 2 minutes later, followed by the SROs. The employee had refused the sale without IDs.

At 1748 hours, while enroute to the next location, we pulled up behind a motor vehicle collision at Indiana St/W 64th Ave (AR26004482). The SROs activated our undercover vehicle's emergency lights and responded to assist the involved motorists and to clear the intersection while waiting for a marked unit to respond. We resumed our compliance operation at 1810 hours.

2. Colorado Tap House - 1816 hours - all four entered the premises together, and returned to the car approximately 2 minutes later. The employee had refused to serve them without IDs.

3. Two Ponds Wine & Spirits - 1834 hours - both Explorers entered the premises, followed by both SROs approximately 15 seconds later. The Explorers returned to the car approximately 2 minutes later, followed by the SROs. The employee had refused the sale without IDs.

4. Arvada Beer Garden - 1849 hours - all four entered the premises together, and returned to the car approximately 3 minutes later. The employee had refused to sell to them without IDs.

5. Brown Jug Liquors - 1857 hours - both Explorers entered the premises, followed by both SROs approximately 15 seconds later. They returned to the car approximately 2 minutes later. The employee had refused the sale without IDs.

6. Smooth Liquor Store - 1906 hours - both Explorers entered the premises, followed by both SROs approximately 15 seconds later. They returned to the car approximately 2 minutes later, and expressed that they felt the employee knew this was a compliance check. The employee had refused the sale without IDs.

The next locations were all within walking distance in Olde Town Arvada, so I remained in the car while both Explorers and both SROs left at 1920 hours to test the next locations in order, and I remained unaware of the exact entry times.

7. The Stockroom - The employee had checked for IDs at the entrance, and did not allow those without ID to enter the tavern. My additional instructions for this establishment were to also check the Retail Liquor Store "Spirits Wine Provisions" connected in the same building for compliance if the employees in the store were unaware of the group's presence inside the tavern, but because they did not make it inside the tavern and it was apparent they did not have IDs, this check was for The Stockroom only.

8. Secret Level - The employee had refused service without IDs.

9. Arvada Tavern - At 1936 hours I received a call on my work cell phone from SRO Lechuga advising me that the Explorers had been served, and they were waiting to pay. At 1943 I received a second call from SRO Lechuga that the Explorers were on their way out to the car with the receipts. I made contact with the business at 1950 hours, and we left the premises at 2000 hours. Reference case report AR26004486 for additional details.

10. Marmalade Lounge - 2006 hours - all four entered the premises together, and returned to the car approximately 3 minutes later. The employee had refused service without IDs.

We took a half hour meal break, and due to the anticipated travel time to the next location I determined we were unable to continue with additional compliance checks on this operation. We refueled the car and returned to headquarters at approximately 2056 hours.

Nothing further to report.



Arvada Police Department

Incident: AR26004486

Incident details:

Incident Type: LIQUOR LAW
Incident time: 02/26/2026 19:45 - 02/26/2026 19:55
Reported time: 02/26/2026 17:17
Incident location: 5707 OLDE WADSWORTH BLVD, ARVADA, JEFFERSON CO 80002 (THE ARVADA TAVERN) (Beat: APDSECTORB) 80002
Incident status: Cleared by arrest
Reporting officer: #0801 LECHUGA, KELLY
Investigator:
Summary: Server sold alcohol to two underage minors during a liquor compliance check.

Involved Persons:

Name: MEAD, KATIE MARIE **Gender:** Female
Classification: Arrested; Charged; Cited; Suspect **DOB:** 03/01/1994
Address: 602 S YOUNGFIELD CT, LAKEWOOD, JEFFERSON CO 80228 (Beat: LPDS11)
Telephone: (Cell phone) (720) 323-5562 [Residence]
(Landline) (303) 215-9176 [Other]
Height: 5'4" **Weight:** 160lb **Build:**
Race: White **Hair Color:** Brown **Eye Color:** Brown

Name: LVILLEGAS, ISAIHAH **Gender:** Male
Classification: Subject; Volunteer **DOB:** 05/17/2007
Address: 8101 RALSTON RD, ARVADA, JEFFERSON CO 80002 (APD HEADQUARTERS) (Beat: APDSECTORB) (CADRESULT -
Telephone:
Height: **Weight:** **Build:**
Race: White **Hair Color:** **Eye Color:**

Name: GONZALES, MICHAEL **Gender:** Male
Classification: Subject; Volunteer **DOB:** 04/02/2007
Address: 8101 RALSTON RD, ARVADA, JEFFERSON CO 80002 (APD HEADQUARTERS) (Beat: APDSECTORB) (CADRESULT -
Telephone:
Height: **Weight:** **Build:**
White

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Race:		Hair Color:		Eye Color:	
Name:	SCHUETHS, JONATHAN PAUL			Gender:	Male
Classification:	Subject	DOB:	02/16/1981		
Address:	515 N CLARKSON ST, # 507, DENVER, CO 80218 (515 N CLARKSON ST DNVR)				
Telephone:	(Cell phone) (402) 304-6935 [Residence]				
Height:	6'3"	Weight:	215lb	Build:	
Race:	White	Hair Color:	Red or auburn	Eye Color:	Brown

Associated Incidents:

- Same event / AR26004490 / LIQUOR LAW / 02/26/2026 20:56 / 8101 RALSTON RD, ARVADA, JEFFERSON CO 80002 (APD HEADQUARTERS) (Beat: APDSECTORB) (CADRESULT - Liquor Compliance Checks

Involved Officers:

- #2534 HOAK, ALYSSA (Back-up officer)
- #1804 GUERRERO, ALBINO (Back-up officer)
- #0801 LECHUGA, KELLY (Reporting officer)
- #000000 CAD INTERFACE (Reporting officer)

Exhibit 4

Reports:

General report:

Author: #0801 LECHUGA, KELLY**Report time:** 03/01/2026 09:59**Narrative:**

Orig. K, Lechuga BWC

Disclaimer: This report is a synopsis of this investigation and is not meant to provide a complete accounting of every detail or circumstance. This report may include information regarding officer perceptions that may not have been captured in associated body-worn camera (BWC) footage. To the best of my knowledge, BWC recordings of the events described in this report were conducted in accordance with CRS 24-31-902 and any lack of footage was not the result of intentional "tampering" as defined in CRS 24-31-901(6). BWC was not activated or was muted in accordance with this statute including when necessary to avoid recording personal information that is not case related; when working on an unrelated assignment; when there is a long break in the incident; and in administrative, tactical, and management discussions when civilians were not present. BWC also may not have been activated when an interaction with the public was recorded by other means. BWC may not be activated in the specific circumstance of officers working in jail that has functioning video cameras except when jail peace officers are separately required to activate BWC for tasks requiring an anticipated use of force.

On 02/26/2026, I (Officer Lechuga) alongside Officer Guerrero and Arvada Police Explorers, Michael Gonzales and Isalah L'Villegas, civilian volunteers, assisted Liquor Licensing Investigator A. Hoak with a pre-planned Liquor Compliance Operation.

I operated as a non-uniformed officer wearing civilian clothing, concealed carrying my off-duty pistol, Arvada Police Officer badge, and department issued body worn camera (BWC). Michael (known to under 21 years of age) and Isalah (known to be under 21 years of age) assisted by operating in the role of the "minor" requesting alcohol sales from target businesses. Our mode of transportation was via an unmarked city owned vehicle.

At approximately 1945 hours, we arrived at "Arvada Tavern Robin," located at 7505 Olde Wadsworth. Officer Guerrero, Michael, Isalah and I all entered the bar together and sat at the booth. We were greeted by the server, Katie Mead (DOB: 3/01/1994). I would note that Katie was polite, friendly, and her service was excellent.

Katie asked us if we wanted something to drink. All four of us ordered a pint of draft beer. Katie went to retrieve four glasses of draft beer and when she came back, she set them in front of each of us. A few moments later, Michael asked Katie for his check as he had to leave. Katie brought our separate checks back to the table. I observed Michael produced a twenty-dollar bill on the clipboard and Katie picked it up. Katie grabbed the twenty-dollar bill and asked Michael if he needed change and he said yes. Michael told Katie that he would also pay for Isalah's beer as well. Katie provided Michael with change completing the sale. Let it be noted that Katie did not request an identification card us to include Michael or Isalah at any point during their interaction. Neither one of them provided an identification card.

Michael and Isalah left the restaurant while Officer Guerrero and I remained inside. Officer Guerrero and I verbally identified ourselves as police officers with our department issued Arvada Police badge. Once identifying as a police officer, I activated my BWC. A few moments later, Hoak came inside and spoke with Katie. To better hear, we had Katie step outside. We informed Katie that she illegally served alcohol to underage individuals. Katie stated she was TIPS certified and had completed server training required by the business.

Hoak and Guerrero went inside and got the manager, Jonathan Schueths aka Jonny (DOB: 02/16/1981). Hoak explained her piece of the investigation to Jonny regarding the business. Please refer to her report regarding her involvement in this case.

While on scene, I served Katie a City of Arvada summons ET167313 on the following charge:
-City of Arvada Municipal Code: Section: 6-6 - Sell Alcohol to Minor.

After making sure they didn't have any questions, we cleared the scene.

Exhibit 4

Supplemental:

Author: #1804 GUERRERO, ALBINO**Report time:** 03/01/2026 10:11**Entered by:** #1804 GUERRERO, ALBINO**Entered time:** 03/01/2026 10:11**Narrative:****Supp 1 A Guerrero BWC**

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On 02/26/2026, I, Officer Guerrero, along with Officer Lechuga and Arvada Police Explorers Michael Gonzales and Isalah L. Villegas (civilian volunteers; dates of birth on file), assisted Liquor Licensing Investigator A. Hoak with a pre-planned liquor compliance operation. I was dressed in plain clothes and operating in a non-uniform capacity, carrying my concealed off-duty firearm, Arvada Police badge, and department-issued body-worn camera (BWC). Michael and Isalah, both under 21 years of age, participated in the role of underage purchasers attempting to buy alcohol from targeted businesses. We traveled in an unmarked, city-owned vehicle.

At approximately 1945 hours, we arrived at The Arvada Tavern, located at 5707 Olde Wadsworth Blvd., Arvada, Colorado. Officer Lechuga, Michael, Isalah, and I entered the establishment together and were greeted by an adult white female with blonde hair, approximately 5'6" tall and 160 pounds, wearing black clothing with a brown sweater. She was later identified by her Colorado driver's license as Katie Marie Mead (DOB: 03/01/1994). Ms. Mead was polite and professional, and her customer service was courteous. She escorted us to a booth inside the business.

Shortly after we were seated, Ms. Mead returned to the table and asked if we would like beverages. I overheard Michael and Isalah each order a draft beer. Ms. Mead did not request identification from either individual to verify their age, and neither Michael nor Isalah offered identification. Ms. Mead subsequently returned to the table with four draft beers, placing one in front of Michael and one in front of Isalah. At no point did either individual consume the alcoholic beverage.

Michael requested to close out his tab and advised he would also pay for Isalah's drink. Ms. Mead presented the receipt, and Michael handed her a \$20 bill. Ms. Mead asked if he required change, to which he responded yes. She returned with the appropriate change, which Michael accepted, completing the transaction. Michael and Isalah then exited the establishment.

Investigator Hoak arrived shortly thereafter. Due to the noise level inside the business, we asked Ms. Mead to step outside. Officer Lechuga and I identified ourselves as Arvada Police officers and informed Ms. Mead that she had sold alcohol to two underage individuals. Ms. Mead stated she had previously completed server training and was TIPS certified.

Officer Lechuga issued City of Arvada Summons #ET167313 to Ms. Mead for violation of City of Arvada Municipal Code Section 6-6: Sale of Alcohol to a Minor.

I then re-entered the establishment and requested Jonathan "Jonny" Paul Schueths (DOB: 02/16/1981), identified as the business manager, to step outside. Officer Lechuga and I identified ourselves as Arvada Police officers, and Investigator Hoak advised him of the details of the incident.

Please refer to related reports for additional information. I have nothing further to report at this time.

Exhibit 4



ARVADA POLICE DEPARTMENT
STATEMENT

CR AR26004486

Name (Last, First, Middle) Gonzales, Michael, Anthony		DOB: 04/02/2007
Address:		Phone: ()
City, State		ZIP
Business/School		Phone: ()
City, State		ZIP
License No.	SSN	Sex: Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>

We arrived at the tavern, we were greeted by the server, Officer Guerrero and Locking as well as Rainie. went to the restroom, I received our table and sat down. Once the others arrived she took our drinks order, where we all ordered beers. She then brought them to the table. She never asked for any of our I.D.s. The beers were on our table. We then asked to split the check. Isiah paid for our drinks with his 20 dollar bill. He got 2 dollars back in change. We then walked out of the tavern.

I have prepared this statement and it is true to the best of my knowledge.

I have initialed all corrections made in this statement.

Signature *Michael Gonzales*

Date 2/26/26

Time 2:02

Witnessed by Officer

ID#

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BEFORE THE LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF ARVADA, COLORADO

IN THE MATTER OF:

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY)
TAVERN LICENSE #17322)
ISSUED TO ARVADA LIBERATION, LLC)
d/b/a THE ARVADA TAVERN	) RECOMMENDATION
5707 OLDE WADSWORTH BLVD., UNIT A&B	) RELATING
ARVADA, COLORADO 80002	) PENALTY AND
SHOULD NOT BE SUSPENDED OR REVOKED	) ORDER

COMES NOW the City of Arvada, by and through its attorney, Zachary Woolweaver, and the Licensee, Arvada Liberation, LLC, doing business as The Arvada Tavern, 5707 Olde Wadsworth Boulevard, Units A and B, in Arvada, Colorado 80002, by and through its Owner, Michael Huggins, hereby stipulate to and recommend that the Licensing Authority accept the following agreement and penalty recommendation:

The Parties hereby agree and recommend that the Arvada Liquor Authority ("Authority") accept the following Recommendation Relating to Penalty:

1. A penalty of suspension of Tavern License #17322 for ten (10) days, of which seven (7) days will be held in abeyance pending the satisfactory completion of the following conditions:
 - a. For one year from today's date, the Licensee cannot be charged with any violation of the Colorado Liquor Code or Department of Revenue Regulations from which an administrative body finds a violation; or conviction, plea of nolo contendere, or other guilty finding in a criminal action; or stipulation (of any kind) results;
 - b. All employees handling alcohol sales, who have not done so in the past two years, shall attend a state certified approved liquor education class within ninety (90) days and submit written proof of attendance to the City Clerk's Office (those that have attended in the past two years must provide proof of the same);
 - c. Pay a fine in lieu of a three day active suspension. Licensee shall submit copies of its sales tax records for the last sixty (60) days, and must include a breakout of all sales by category (including all alcohol sales) on monthly Income Statements within fourteen (14) days of this Order. The fine shall be equivalent to twenty percent of the licensee's estimated gross revenues of alcohol sales for a three (3) day period, except that the fine shall not be less than \$200.00 or more than \$5,000.00.

- d. Payment of the fine shall be in the forms of cash or certified funds made within twenty (20) days of written notification of the amount of the fine pursuant to the Order.
2. If any of these conditions are not met in the manner set forth above, Tavern License #17322 shall be suspended for the number of days held in abeyance, consecutively.

Dated this 20 day of April 2026.

CITY OF ARVADA

COLORADO LIBERATIONS, LLC.,
d/b/a THE ARVADA TAVERN

Zachary Woolweaver

Zachary Woolweaver
Assistant City Attorney
8101 Ralston Road
P.O. Box 8101
Arvada, Colorado 80001-8101

Michael Huggins

By: Michael Huggins
For: ARVADA LIBERATION, LLC d/b/a
THE ARVADA TAVERN
5707 Olde Wadsworth Blvd., Units A&B
Arvada, Colorado 80002

ORDER

The foregoing Stipulation and Recommendation is hereby made an Order of the Local Licensing Authority of the City of Arvada, Colorado this _____ day of _____ 2026.

BY THE AUTHORITY:

Chairman, Liquor Licensing Authority

**CITY OF ARVADA
LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY**

**AGENDA NO. 5.A.
DATE: March 23, 2026**

Item: Consider Show Cause Order

Initiated By: Police Department

Action Proposed: Consider Show Cause Order for RGS Colorado LLC d/b/a Simms Liquor, 11651 West 64th Ave., Unit E-6

Presented by: Alyssa Hoak, Licensing Investigator

Please Note:

Attached please find the proposed show cause order along with the police reports.

Suggested Order:

There **(is/is not)** probable cause based on Arvada Police Department report AR26005577 to RGS Colorado LLC d/b/a Simms Liquor, 11651 West 64th Ave., Unit E-6, that the Licensee is in violation of 44-3-901(1)(b)(I) C.R.S. covering its privilege to hold the issued Retail Liquor Store license number 17320, further a Notice and Order to Show Cause be issued to the Licensee to appear before the Liquor Licensing Authority of the City of Arvada, via Zoom conference call, on Monday, June 8, at 10:00 a.m., for a violation hearing to be conducted in accordance with the law to show cause why the aforesaid license should not be suspended or revoked as by law provided, at which time the Liquor Authority will determine the truth of the aforesaid charges.



OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
FACSIMILE: 720-898-7515 ▲ TDD: 720-898-7869
PHONE: 720-898-7550

April 27, 2026

RGS Colorado LLC
d/b/a Simms Liquor
11651 W 64th Ave, Unit E-6
Arvada, CO 80004

Attached you will find a Notice and Order to Show Cause why your alcohol beverage license should not be suspended or revoked. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with certain information which will answer some of your questions concerning the procedures which you will be required to follow.

If you wish to obtain complete copies of the police reports, they can be obtained at the Arvada Police Department located at 8101 Ralston Road, or online at <https://www.arvadaco.gov/554/Order-Police-Records>

There will be a hearing before the Local Licensing Authority. You are entitled to have an attorney represent you at the hearing. If you retain an attorney, you should do so well in advance of the hearing date. Once a hearing date has been scheduled, a postponement will not be granted except for good cause shown. If you fail to appear at the scheduled time and place of the hearing, testimony will be taken in reference to the allegations, upon which evidence your license to operate under the terms of the Colorado Liquor or Beer Code may be suspended or revoked.

Motions and Settlement Proposals which you intend to present at the beginning of the hearing should be submitted in writing to the Local Licensing Authority no later than seven (7) days prior to the hearing date. If you wish to pursue some agreement as to a suspension, you should contact Robert Perez at the City Attorney's Office at 720-898-7177.

Sincerely yours,

Hearing Officer, Local Licensing Authority

BEFORE THE LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF ARVADA, COLORADO

IN THE MATTER OF:

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY)	
RETAIL LIQUOR STORE LICENSE 17320)	
ISSUED TO RGS COLORADO LLC	)	NOTICE AND ORDER
d/b/a SIMMS LIQUOR	)	TO SHOW CAUSE
11651 W 64 TH AVE, UNIT E-6)	
ARVADA, COLORADO 80004)	
SHOULD NOT BE SUSPENDED OR REVOKED)	

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED to appear before the Local Licensing Authority of the City of Arvada, Colorado on Monday June 8th 2026, at the hour of 10:00.m. via a virtual online meeting to then and there show cause, if any there be, why your Retail Liquor Store Liquor License #17320 should not be suspended or revoked, pursuant to Section 44-3-601, C.R.S. for the following reasons:

SPECIFICATION #1: The Local Licensing Authority has probable cause to believe that on or about March 13th, 2026, agent(s) and/or employee(s) of and/or the Licensee did sell, serve, give away or permit the sale, serving, giving or procuring of a malt, vinous and/or spirituous liquor to a person under the age of twenty-one years, contrary to Section 44-3-901(1)(b)(I) C.R.S.

All of the foregoing is more particularly described in the accompanying reports of the Arvada Police Department.

YOU ARE HEREBY FURTHER NOTIFIED that said show cause hearing shall be conducted pursuant to the Rules of Procedure of the Local Licensing Authority and the Code of Colorado Regulations, Section 47-600 regarding, among other things, representation by counsel, order of proceedings, cross examination and statements in mitigation or aggravation.

DATED this 27th day of April, 2026

LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF ARVADA, COLORADO

By: Hearing Officer, Liquor Licensing Authority

ARVADA LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY
SHOW CAUSE HEARING PROCEDURE

This is a hearing before the Local Licensing Authority of the City of Arvada on the Notice and Order to Show Cause why Retail Liquor Store liquor license 17320, issued to RGS Colorado LLC should not be suspended or revoked. This hearing is conducted pursuant to the laws of the State of Colorado and the ordinances of the City of Arvada. A record shall be kept of this hearing, and all exhibits shall be preserved.

The prosecuting City Attorney shall have the burden of proving, by preponderance of the evidence, the specifications alleged in the Notice and Order to Show Cause. The order of the hearing shall be as follows:

1. First, the City may present an opening statement. Should the City exercise this privilege, the Licensee may also present such a statement immediately thereafter, or reserve it until the beginning of the Licensee's case.

2. As it has the burden of proof, the City shall present its evidence first. It shall call witnesses and present all necessary documentary evidence for the Authority's consideration. The Licensee has the right to cross-examine each witness called by the City. However, the Authority may limit cross-examination which is cumulative, repetitive or immaterial, or in order to protect witnesses against undue harassment and embarrassment.

3. After the City rests its case, the Licensee may present the testimony of witnesses on its behalf, subject to cross-examination by the City. Also, the Licensee may choose to testify, subject to cross-examination by the City. Once both sides have presented their cases, the City will be given an opportunity to rebut all matters raised by the Licensee in Licensee's case.

4. At the conclusion of the evidence, the City and Licensee may present closing arguments. If an argument is presented by the Licensee, the City shall be given a final opportunity to rebut.

The Licensee may be represented by counsel. All testimony shall be given under oath, to be administered by the chairperson of the Authority. Statements or arguments of counsel are not considered evidence. Only testimony given under oath and exhibits properly admitted shall be considered by the Authority in reaching its decision.

Exhibits submitted shall first be marked, show to the opposing part and then identified before offering them to the chairperson for admission into evidence. The chairperson will rule on the admissibility of all exhibits and any testimony to which a party objects, and such ruling will stand unless overruled by a majority of the members of the Authority. Since this is an administrative hearing, strict rules of evidence, including those regarding the admission or hearsay, do not apply.

At the close of the hearing the Authority will deliberate upon the evidence. Afterward, the Authority may choose to render a decision immediately on the record or to take the matter under advisement and render its decision at a later date not to exceed thirty days from the date of the hearing.

A decision that the City has failed to carry its burden of proof with respect to any specification shall result in its dismissal. However, should the Authority find that the City has proven any of the specifications alleged, it will proceed directly to the determination of appropriate punishment. The Licensee will then be afforded the opportunity to present evidence in mitigation. Afterward, the City may present evidence in aggravation. The Authority will then deliberate and pass sentence on open record.

Sec. 6-6. — Sales to certain persons prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, serve, give away, dispose of, exchange or deliver or permit the sale, serving, giving, or procuring of any alcoholic beverage to or for any person under the age of 21 years or to a visibly intoxicated person or to a known habitual drunkard.

(Ord. No. 4670 , § 1, 12-17-2018)

State Law reference — Unlawful acts, C.R.S. § 44-3-901(1).

44-3-901. Unlawful acts - exceptions - definitions.

(1) Except as provided in section 18-13-122, it is unlawful for any person:

(a) To sell, serve, give away, dispose of, exchange, or deliver, or permit the sale, serving, giving, or procuring of, any alcohol beverage to a visibly intoxicated person or to a known habitual drunkard;

(b) (l) To sell, serve, give away, dispose of, exchange, or deliver or permit the sale, serving, giving, or procuring of any alcohol beverage to or for any person under the age of twenty-one years.



Arvada Police Department

Incident: AR26005577

Incident details:

Incident Type: LIQUOR LAW
Incident time: 03/13/2026 16:23 - 03/13/2026 16:23
Reported time: 03/13/2026 15:51
Incident location: 11651 W 64TH AVE, # E6, ARVADA, JEFFERSON CO 80004 (Beat: APDSECTORC1)
 (CADRESULT - 11651 W 64 AV AR: @SIMMS LIQUOR 80004)
Incident status: Cleared by arrest
Reporting officer: #1707 BELLIO, BREANN
Investigator:
Summary: Liquor store sale to minor during compliance check.

Involved Persons:

Name: SINGH, PRINCEPAL **Gender:** Male
Classification: Charged; Suspect **DOB:** 01/05/2003
Address: 5012 KIPLING ST, # D105, WHEAT RIDGE, JEFFERSON CO 80033 (Beat: WRPDBEAT3)
 (CADRESULT - 5012 KIPLING ST
Telephone: (Cell phone) (587) 577-7721 [Residence]
Height: 5'11" **Weight:** 175lb **Build:**
Race: White **Hair Color:** Brown **Eye Color:** Brown

Name: LINDEMAN, KENSEY **Gender:** Female
Classification: Witness **DOB:**
Address:
Telephone:

Name: BARSOCCHINI, DANIEL JAMES **Gender:** Male
Classification: Reporting party **DOB:** 10/02/1974
Address: 9419 W 56TH PL, ARVADA, JEFFERSON CO 80002 (Beat: APDSECTORB) (CADRESULT - 9419 W
 56 PL AR
Telephone: (Cell phone) (480) 818-7741 [Residence]
 (Cell phone) (480) 818-7741 [Other]
 (Landline) (720) 327-3228 [Other]
 (Cell phone) (480) 818-7741 [Other]
Height: 5'9" **Weight:** 170lb **Build:**
Race: White **Hair Color:** Brown **Eye Color:** Blue

Name: SINGH, GURPREET **Gender:** Male
Classification: Subject **DOB:** 05/10/1984
Address: 11145 RALSTON RD, # 102, ARVADA, JEFFERSON CO 80004 (Beat: APDSECTORC1)
(CADRESULT -
Telephone: (Cell phone) (970) 804-7334 [Residence]
Height: 6'1" **Weight:** 210lb **Build:**
Race: Asian **Hair Color:** Black **Eye Color:** Brown

Involved Officers:

- #2534 HOAK, ALYSSA (Back-up officer)
- #1707 BELLIO, BREANN (Reporting officer)
- #000000 CAD INTERFACE (Reporting officer)

Reports:

General report:

Author: #1707 BELLIO, BREANN

Report time: 03/13/2026 18:04

Narrative:

Orig B Bellio BWC DM

On 03/12/26, I (Detective B. Bellio) was informed by Arvada Police Department Liquor Licensing Control Administrator A. Hoak there was a concern of underage liquor sales reported at this location based on a tip from a member of the public. I was told the employee suspected of selling to minors was a Middle Eastern male who always wears an orange turban. I was asked to assist in a plainclothes capacity during this compliance check.

On 03/13/26 at approximately 1618 hours, I (Detective B. Bellio) responded to 11651 West 64th Avenue, Unit E6, Arvada, Jefferson County, Colorado (Simms Liquor), reference a liquor compliance check. I wore a baseball cap, a grey t-shirt, and blue jeans, displaying no police identification. I deployed my body-worn camera in a crossbody purse with one transparent side and concealed my department-issued badge and firearm under my clothing. I was dropped off by Administrator Hoak, who drove us to the location in an unmarked vehicle.

I entered the liquor store from the front door, which faces south. I immediately noticed the checkout register to the right (east) upon entering the front door. I oversaw a male matching the description provided to me; this male would later be identified by his Alberta, Canada driver's license as Princepal Singh (DOB 01/05/03). I waited in the store for Arvada Police Department Police Services Technician (PST) K. Lindeman, who is nineteen years old. PST Lindeman entered the store and selected a bottle of wine. I loitered in the vodka aisle to the north of the checkout area, and maintained eyesight of PST Lindeman while she was in the store. I activated my body-worn camera once PST Lindeman entered the store.

At approximately 1623 hours, I watched PST Lindeman approach the checkout stand where Princepal was the only employee. Based on the background music playing, I could not hear all of the conversation between Princepal and PST Lindeman, but I observed she had not produced her identification during the sale. Princepal sold the bottle of wine to PST Lindeman, and she exited the store. I remained in the store while awaiting Administrator Hoak. I noticed unrelated customers checking out at the register while awaiting Administrator Hoak. While I was in the store, there were no more than two customers at a time, and I would describe the customer traffic as slow. I did not notice any additional distractions, such as the business phone ringing or other tasks occurring. There were no visual barriers between Princepal and PST Lindeman, and the store was well-lit.

Administrator Hoak entered the store around 1628 hours and approached Princepal, who was still at the register. At this time, I removed my detective badge from under my shirt and displayed it on a lanyard around my neck. I showed Princepal my department-issued identification card and introduced myself as Detective Bellio with the Arvada Police Department. I heard Administrator Hoak inform Princepal of the undercover compliance check and that he had just sold liquor to someone under 21 years of age without asking for identification.

I asked Princepal for his identification, and he produced a driver's license issued out of Alberta, Canada. After making a phone call, Princepal verbally provided his phone number and current address. I noticed Princepal's English was broken, and when he spoke on the phone, he used a language I did not recognize. Princepal was able to communicate a limited vocabulary in English during our conversation. I asked JeffCom dispatch for assistance from another officer to have a printer (for the citation) be brought to my location. This printer was brought to my location by Officer C. Conley and Officer D. Svoboda, who have no case knowledge or other involvement in this investigation.

Princepal stated his brother Gurpreet Singh (DOB 05/10/84) owned the liquor store, and Gurpreet promptly responded to this location. I served Princepal with Arvada Municipal Summons ET177013 for Sales to Minor (Sec. 6-6). Gurpreet helped by translating during my service to Princepal. Gurpreet and Princepal were both cooperative during this investigation and apologized for the sale.

I took one photograph of Princepal's identification, which was uploaded to Arvada Police Department Evidence. This concludes my involvement in this event.

End of report.

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Supplemental:

Author: #2534 HOAK, ALYSSA

Report time: 03/17/2026 07:29

Entered by: #2534 HOAK, ALYSSA

Entered time: 03/17/2026 07:29

Narrative:

I, Liquor Licensing Control Administrator Hoak, received an email on Monday, March 9th, 2026 from Daniel (Dan) Barsocchini (danny.barsocchini@gmail.com, 480-818-7741) saying he was concerned about an incident he had witnessed, where students who attend Arvada West High School (11595 Allendale Dr) purchased alcohol from Simms Liquor (11651 W 64th Ave) without being asked for ID. He also alleged there have been previous occasions at Simms Liquor of "very young looking customers, not being carded and buying alcohol...It's the same clerk everytime" and provided a description of the clerk "middle eastern...mid 30s average build and height. Always has an orange turban on". The email is attached to this report. I also advised School Resource Officer (SRO) Smith at Arvada West High School about the allegation.

Due to this allegation of a business selling to minors under 21 years of age, I organized an undercover liquor compliance check operation to take place at Simms Liquor at on Friday, March 13th, 2026 at approximately 1600 hours. This time was selected because it was after school ended at Arvada West High at 1530 hours when I estimated students could have an opportunity to attempt a liquor purchase at Simms Liquor, and when I estimated the clerk described in the allegation could be working. I will note that Simms Liquor is across the intersection of Simms St & W 64th Ave from Arvada West High School, within walking distance.

I was assisted on this compliance check by Detective Bellio and 19-year-old Police Services Technician (PST) Lindeman. The three of us met at APD headquarters (8101 Ralston Rd) for a pre-op briefing just after 1600 hours. I read aloud the email that I had received, and I explained that we would still complete an undercover compliance check at the location even if the clerk described in the email was not working when we arrived.

We used a City of Arvada unmarked Police vehicle: a gold Ford Taurus, Colorado plate ADQ-B57, equipped with emergency lights and siren. All three of us wore casual attire. PST Lindeman was dressed in a dark green sweatshirt, black pants and sneakers, and carried a black crossbody purse. Detective Bellio wore a t-shirt, jeans and sneakers and a black baseball cap, was armed, carried her Arvada PD badge under her shirt, and concealed her BWC in a crossbody purse with a transparent side. I wore a white t-shirt, green cardigan and black pants while traveling to the location, and brought my standard black LLCA work jacket and badge to put on if there was a violation.

We arrived at the parking lot of Simms Liquor at approximately 1615 hours. I gave PST Lindeman a \$20 bill (serial number MA75741557D) and advised her to attempt to purchase alcohol, and if she was asked for an ID to say she "didn't have it" or "I forgot it", and to return immediately to the car if the sale was either successful or refused. Detective Bellio went into Simms Liquor first at approximately 1618 hours, then PST Lindeman followed and was stopped for a minute when approached by Mormon missionaries in the parking lot then proceeded into Simms Liquor, while I stayed in the car. PST Lindeman returned to the car at approximately 1624 hours with a sealed 750ml bottle of "La Marca Prosecco Rose" sparkling wine, 11% ABV. She advised me the transaction was made with a clerk matching the description in the email, she was not asked for ID at any point, and was not offered a receipt. She also advised the liquor was more expensive than the sign on the shelf said it would be: she had chosen the wine because the sign said \$13.99 and she wanted the purchase to be under \$20, but the register said \$18.99, making the total with tax \$20.50. She said she had told the clerk she didn't have 50 cents, and he had told her not to worry about it so she paid with only the \$20 bill. I took a photo of PST Lindeman with the wine bottle next to the car, and asked her to fill out a Witness Statement while I brought the liquor back to the store.

I entered Simms Liquor at approximately 1628 hours, and introduced myself to the clerk, Princepal Singh (DOB 01/05/2003). Princepal Singh was wearing an orange turban, and did appear generally to match the description of the clerk I received in the email. Detective Bellio met us at the counter. I advised Princepal Singh of the undercover compliance check and that he had just sold liquor to someone under 21 years of age without asking for ID. Detective Bellio then asked for Princepal Singh's ID to start issuing the summons, to which he responded that they check everyone who is younger, and we had to clarify that it was his ID that was needed at this time, and he provided it. I then asked if the manager was working today, and Princepal Singh advised he was working alone, it was his brother's store, Gurpreet Singh (which was listed in my files from the annual liquor inspection I completed on October 7th, 2025). I advised I would like to speak with the manager and Princepal Singh called him to come to the store. After he completed the call and informed me the owner was coming, I advised Princepal Singh that selling to a minor is against Colorado law, and that anyone under 50 years of age should expect to be asked for ID while making a purchase in a retail liquor store, so I asked if he usually checks the IDs of customers, and it appeared to me he had trouble understanding my question and did not reply. I then asked for a receipt for the purchase and to refund it. Again, Princepal Singh appeared to have trouble understanding my request: he scanned the barcode of the wine bottle on the counter and I saw it ring up on the register at \$18.99, with the total after tax of \$20.50, but nothing further happened and I was not provided with a receipt. I asked if the register printer was working, and he did not

answer my question. Detective Bellio proceeded to fill out the summons for Princepal Singh while we waited for the owner, and two sworn officers arrived to assist. Please see Detective Bellio's report for further details. During this time two other customers made purchases with Princepal Singh, neither of whom I believed to be under the age of 21 but who were also not asked for IDs.

The owner Gurpreet Singh arrived at Simms Liquor at approximately 1641 hours. I introduced myself, and explained the undercover operation where Princepal Singh sold alcohol to a minor under 21 years of age without asking for ID. I also explained that allegedly this was not the first time, the reason I did this check was because I had received a public tip about this location. I explained that Princepal Singh would receive a summons to court, and I would write my report for the Arvada Liquor Authority, which could decide to take action against Gurpreet Singh's liquor license. I asked Gurpreet Singh if Simms Liquor required employees to go through any training, and he said yes TIPS training. I asked if Princepal Singh specifically had completed TIPS training and Gurpreet Singh said yes. Gurpreet Singh directed my attention to a training certification posted next to the liquor licenses for the store above the register. I advised this would be a point in favor of the business if the Arvada Liquor Authority decided a hearing was necessary, and I advised that IDs should be checked, especially at a liquor establishment close to a high school. Gurpreet Singh advised that yes they would check, and he was sorry this happened. Gurpreet Singh also translated during this time to assist Princepal Singh and Detective Bellio with the issuance of the summons.

I asked to refund the purchase of the liquor now that Gurpreet Singh was able to assist with translation. Gurpreet Singh originally included two quarters to refund the total of \$20.50, but I advised that our underage operative had not paid the 50 cents, only the \$20 bill, so I did not take the quarters. I explained that I would like to receive the same \$20 bill back that we had used, and I indicated the serial number I had written down in advance of the operation. Gurpreet Singh looked through all the \$20 bills in the cash drawer but was unable to locate one with the same serial number. I confirmed with PST Lindeman by phone that she had used the exact same \$20 I had given her, it was the only cash she had. Through translation, Princepal Singh advised that one of the two customers while we were waiting had paid with a \$100 bill, and I determined it was likely the customer had received that \$20 bill as change. I instead was provided with a different \$20 bill (serial number EF45415104A), and I took a photo to document the change from my prepared compliance check form. I also took photos of the front and back of the bottle.

I asked if I could be shown where the wine shelf was, both to put it back and because our underage operative had noticed a discrepancy in the advertised price. Princepal Singh walked me over to the shelf where there was a clear gap among similar bottles where the wine bottle had been selected from, and directly below it was a sign saying \$13.99 for a different wine "750ml Campo Viejo Cava Rose", which did not appear to be on the shelf. While I pointed this out and took a photo of the shelf, Princepal Singh slid the correct yellow price tag over from the left where it was under the smaller size of the La Marca, and it did indicate \$18.99 for the "750ml La Marca Rose Prosecco". I took a second photo of the updated signage. I advised to please be careful the signage matched, and Princepal Singh said yes. I will add that throughout the time the officers and I were in the store, a different male employee was stocking merchandise on the shelves, and I did not contact him to point this out, instead I returned to the owner Gurpreet Singh and advised him the price label of the wine on the shelf was confusing, but we did find the correct label and moved it where it should be, and I advised him to be sure the signage matched. I asked if Gurpreet Singh had any questions and he said no. I left my business card with him, including the case number and my contact information if he did have questions in the future, and reiterated that IDs should be checked to avoid selling to minors. I left Simms Liquor with Detective Bellio at approximately 1651 hours and returned to the car where I collected the witness statement from PST Lindeman. The witness statement is attached to this report.

Following the completion of this report, I will notify the Deputy City Clerk to initiate review by the Arvada Liquor Authority.

The photos I took during the operation were emailed to the Crime Lab to be uploaded to evidence.com. Nothing further to report.