TO: Mayor Robinson and City Council

FROM: Jeffrey L. McCormick, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Liquor License Violation

DATE: July 31, 2014

BACKGROUND

I was notified on July 29, 2014, by the Minnesota Department of Health that Sol De Mexico Mexican Grill did not renew their food license for 2014. The State has sent several notices to them and has reached the point to notify the City and will be issuing an order to close the establishment for failing to comply. If Sol De Mexico does not stop operation the State will have to move through a hearing process to seek a Court Order to close the restaurant.

One of the requirements of our City Ordinance is that liquor license holders have a valid license issued by the Department of Health. Since that was not obtained, Sol De Mexico has not met the conditions required to be licensed for liquor. Section 111.018 (E) (1) (b) for revocation or suspension require a Public Hearing be held to allow the City Council to collect facts so a decision can be made if action should be taken regarding the license status.

A public hearing is requested to be set for September 2, 2014 to be held at the City Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve holding a public hearing on September 2, 2014 at the City Council Meeting for a Liquor License violation.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Motion and approve to hold a public hearing on September 2, 2014 at the City Council Meeting for a Liquor License violation.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING VIOLATION OF LIQUOR ORDINANCE

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls, Minnesota, will hold public hearing on Tuesday September 2, 2014, at a meeting of the City Council beginning at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 918 River Road for the purpose of considering a documented violation of City Code Section 111.089 (D) (3), requiring the licensed restaurant, including banquet facilities, must also be licensed by the State Department of Health as a medium establishment or large food and beverage establishment.

The purpose of the hearing is to suspend or revoke the liquor license of Sol De Mexico Mexican Grill for the documented violation of failing to obtain a medium establishment or large food and beverage establishment license from the Minnesota Department of Health for 2014.

Any person wishing to address the documented violation of City Code may do so at the time and place of said hearing or by providing written comment prior to such hearing. Written comment should be addressed to the Chief of Police, 918 River Road, Cannon Falls MN 55009.

Jeffrey L. McCormick Chief of Police

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