



**To:** Mayor John Haila and Ames City Council Members  
**From:** Lieutenant Mike Arkovich, Ames Police Department  
**Date:** August 22, 2024  
**Subject:** Beer Permits & Liquor License Renewal Reference City Council Agenda

The following licenses are eligible for renewal:

Motion approving the renewal of the following Beer Permits, Wine Permits, and Liquor Licenses:

- a. Kum & Go #0217, (3111 South Duff Avenue), Class E Retail Alcohol License
- b. Hy-Vee #1 Clubroom, (3800 West Lincoln Way), Class C Retail Alcohol License with Catering Privilege, Pending Dramshop Review
- c. AJ's Ultra Lounge, (2401 Chamberlain Street), Class C Retail Alcohol License with Outdoor Service
- d. Rinconcito Hispano Tienda y Taqueria, (823 Wheeler Street, Suite 1), Class C Retail Alcohol License

A review of police records for the past 12 months found no liquor law violations for Kum & Go #0217, Hy-Vee #1 Clubroom, and Rinconcito Hispano Tienda y Taqueria. The Ames Police Department recommends the license renewal for these businesses.

A review of police records for the past 12 months found 20 Minors on-premise violations at AJ's Ultra Lounge. Of those 20, 13 involved fake IDs, about 65% of the on-premise violations. AJ's has improved from the previous year on their on-premise and fake ID violations. The Police Department will encourage AJ's to continue utilizing safeguards such as scanner use, training, conducting their own compliance checks, management training and accountability, etc. In addition, the Police Department will continue to monitor the above location by conducting regular foot patrols, bar checks, evaluating their use of safeguards and educating the bar staff through monthly ID training. AJ's Ultra Lounge has passed all compliance checks. The Ames Police Department recommends the license renewal for the business.