Local Licensing Authority

Agenda

February 25, 2019
City Hall, Council Chambers
749 Main Street
7:00 PM

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Agenda

IV. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

V. Action on Minutes – 1/28/19

VI. Consent Agenda

The following items on the Local Licensing Authority Agenda are considered routine by the Authority and the Consent Agenda as a whole shall be approved not as individual items, accepted, etc. by motion of the Authority and roll call vote unless the Local Licensing Authority or Authority Member specifically requests such item be considered under “Authority Business”. In such an event the item shall be removed from the “Consent Agenda” and Authority action taken separately on said item in the order appearing on the Agenda. Those items so approved under the heading “Consent Agenda” will appear in the Authority minutes in their proper order.

A. Renewal Application – Taj Mahal III Inc. d/b/a Taj Mahal III – Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License – 1075 South Boulder Road

B. Renewal Application – BCT LLC d/b/a BOB’s Sandwich Shop – Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License – 820 Main St. #100

C. Renewal Application – Tian & Liu LLC d/b/a Brass Monkey Wine & Spirits – Retail Liquor Store – 1387 E. South Boulder Road Unit A

D. Renewal Application - Perros Blancos LLC d/b/a Pica’s Mexican Taqueria Louisville – Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License - 901 Front Street Suite 120

VII. Authority Business

A. Show Cause Hearing – KCM Restaurant Holdings, LLC d/b/a Mudrock’s Tap and Tavern – Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License –
B. Show Cause Hearing – Tri-City Elks Lodge #2541 – Club Liquor License – 525 Main Street

C. Show Cause Hearing – Pau Hana Brewery, LLC d/b/a Redgarden Restaurant and Brewery – Brew Pub License – 1700 Dogwood St. (continue to March 25, 2019)

D. Conversation with Chief Hayes

E. Modification of Premises – Perros Blancos LLC d/b/a Pica’s Mexican Taqueria Louisville – 901 Front Street Suite 120

F. Approval of Resolution No.1, Series 2019 of the Louisville Local Licensing Authority – A Resolution Adopting a Lottery Procedure for Retail Marijuana Store and Medical Marijuana Center Licenses

VIII. Police Department Report
IX. Secretary’s Report
X. Authority Attorney’s Report
XI. Authority Comments
XII. Discussion Items for Next Meeting – March 25, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.
XIII. Adjournment
Local Licensing Authority

Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2019
City Hall, Council Chambers
749 Main Street
7:00 PM

Call to Order – Vice-Chairperson Machado called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m.

Roll Call was taken and the following members were present:

Authority Members Present: Matthew Machado, Kyle Brown and Elizabeth Kaufman.

Absent: John Carlson, Marguerite Lipton, Bart Watson

Staff Members Present: Nick Cotton-Baez – Kelly PC
Ben Redard, Police Sergeant
Carol Hanson, Deputy City Clerk

Approval of Agenda – Vice-Chairperson Machado called for changes to the agenda. Brown made a motion to approve the agenda. Kaufman seconded. All in favor. Absent: Lipton, Carlson, Watson. Agenda approved.

Approval of Meeting Minutes – 12/17/18 – Machado called for any changes to the minutes. Machado moved to approve the minutes with a change showing he called for the changes to the minutes. Kaufman seconded. All in favor. Minutes approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda – The following items on the Local Licensing Authority Agenda are considered routine by the Authority and the consent agenda as a whole shall be approved not as individual items, accepted, etc. by motion of the Authority and roll call vote unless the Local Licensing Authority or Authority Member specifically requests such item be considered under “Authority Business”. In such an event the item shall be removed from the “Consent Agenda” and the Authority action taken separately on said item in the order appearing on the Agenda. Those items so approved under the heading “Consent Agenda” will appear in the Authority minutes in their proper order.
A. Designation of Posting Places for Posting Notices for Public Meetings

B. Renewal Application – Cane Nero LLC d/b/a Zucca Ristorante – Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License – 700 Main St.


E. Renewal Application – Dillon Companies, Inc. d/b/a King Soopers #13 – Fermented Malt Beverage License – 1375 S. Boulder Rd.

F. Renewal Application – American Legion Walter Rhoades Post 111 – Club Liquor License – 1150 Pine Street

G. Renewal Application – Sweet Spot Café LLC d/b/a Sweet Spot Café – Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License – 585 West Dillon Road

Machado called for any changes to the consent agenda. Brown moved the consent agenda be approved. Kaufman seconded. All in favor. Consent agenda approved.

Authority Business

A. Election of Officers

Machado stated there was a chart included in the packet showing the chair and vice-chair over the past few years. He noted the vice-chair typically moves to chair and a vice chair was selected on a rotating basis, however, there are now several new members. He suggested Bart Watson could serve as vice-chair.

Brown moved the Authority elect Machado as chair and Watson as vice-chair for 2019. Kaufman seconded. All in favor.

B. Public Hearing – New Marijuana Retail Store Application – J2H2 Holdings LLC d/b/a The Green Room – 972 W. Dillon Road

Chairperson Machado opened the public hearing. Secretary Hanson reported the hearing had been posted and published in accordance with State law, the application was complete and she saw no reason for denial of the application.
She noted the State Marijuana Enforcement Division had issued a license to the applicant conditioned on local approval.

Machado asked for any authority disclosures and hearing none, moved the entire application be made a part of the record, Kaufman seconded. All in favor.

Machado called for an applicant presentation. Warren Lindgren, 1084 Northview Drive, Erie, CO and Greg Glennie, general manager, 2535 Sunset Drive, Longmont, CO introduced themselves to the Authority and took the oath. Mr. Lindgren noted he did not have a presentation but was a long time resident of Colorado and they own The Green Room in Boulder. He noted he brought letters from neighbors in Boulder showing they are good neighbors and comply with the requirements of the police and fire departments there. The letters were shown to the authority members and added to the record.

Machado asked how much of the space they plan to use for the retail store. 1900 square feet was the answer.

Machado asked about hours of operation. 9 AM to 10 PM was the answer.

Brown asked about staff training and ID checking. Mr. Glennie noted the staff is required to attend several training programs. Age check training in-house includes a guidebook on what to look for and they go to classes Boulder PD provides. They have subscribed to a system that can check the driver’s license database so helps in identifying fake ID’s as well as verifying age. The staff also attends point of sale training, product handling, safety training, emergency training and training on procedures and compliance is ongoing. ID training is yearly with internal training every 3-6 months. He noted ID’s are all checked with two pairs of eyes.

Sergeant Redard asked if employees from the Boulder store will be transferred to Louisville. The answer was some of the former management will be coming over to help train in Louisville.

Kaufman asked about the number of employees. Glennie said they would start with six employees and gauge need from there.

Machado asked about a page in the packet concerning ownership. Mr. Lindgren noted the application asked about prior ownership. They originally had a medical license and grow license but converted to retail so currently own the retail shop in Boulder and a cultivation facility. They also had applied in Longmont, received a provisional state license, but were not able to open in Longmont because of the geographic location.

Machado wanted the applicant to be aware of the proximity to the high school and be extra cautious in checking identification.
Chairperson Machado noted there were no persons present in the audience to speak for or against the application. He asked the applicant if they had any closing remarks.

Mr. Lindgren thanked the Authority members for their consideration of the application.

Machado closed the public hearing and called for member discussion and comments.

Brown noted he appreciated Chairperson Machado’s stressing the importance of youth not being able to have access to the marijuana products at this location. He noted he was encouraged by the report concerning all the training and also cautioned the applicant about being vigilant.

Sergeant Redard noted the location is also close to the hotel district and asked if the database that checks against driver’s licenses was nationwide. The answer was yes and Mr. Glennie noted the current Louisville code restricts what persons from out of state can purchase and they are aware and will follow that.

Machado cautioned the applicant to be very careful with the traffic this store might have because of that proximity to the hotels.

Brown moved the Local Licensing Authority of the City of Louisville find the applicant is of good moral character and all City and state law requirements have been met and, based on these findings, the Local Licensing Authority approve issuance of a Retail Marijuana Store license for J2H2 Holdings, LLC doing business as The Green Room. Kaufman seconded.

Machado noted he was pleased to have an applicant with a proven track record of operating a retail business without incident.


C. Conversation with Chief Hayes

Sergeant Redard noted the Chief had provided Authority members with a statistical sheet concerning crimes in Louisville and some of the surrounding cities. Authority members briefly discussed the report.

D. 2018 Annual Report

Machado moved to forward the annual report to City Council. Kaufman seconded. All in favor.
Police Department Reports

A. Incident Report – Tri City Elks – 12/1/2018

This incident involved a woman, later learned to have been bartending, passed out in the restroom. The bar manager was cited for serving to a certain persons prohibited and disorderly conduct.

Authority members discussed the incident.

Brown moved the Authority order a show cause hearing concerning service to a visibly intoxicated person, appoint a special prosecutor and set it for February 25, 2019. Kaufman seconded. All in favor.

B. Incident Report – Henry’s – 12/2/2018

This incident involved a patron who had been told to leave the bar and was trying to get back in. Authority members noted Henry’s did the right thing in this instance.

C. Incident Report – Redgarden Restaurant – 12/14/18

A person was found in their car near this establishment and appeared to be intoxicated. She reported drinking at Redgarden. The bartender was cited for serving to certain persons prohibited.

Authority members discussed the incident.

Kaufman moved the Authority order a show cause hearing concerning serving to a visibly intoxicated person, appoint a special prosecutor and set the hearing for February 25, 2019. Brown seconded. All in favor.

Secretary’s Report

Hanson noted the 2019 Open Government and Ethics Pamphlet was included in the packet. She stated Council had appointed Kyle Brown and Elizabeth Kaufman to full terms on the Licensing Authority. Ms. Kaufman will continue to serve as the associate.

The special prosecutor requested the show cause hearing for Mudrock’s be set for the February meeting and the paperwork was drafted with that date before it went to the licensee.

Authority Attorney’s Report

No report.

Authority Comment
Machado noted the law for a marijuana license hearing does not speak to the needs of the neighborhood and wondered about the Authority’s recourse should they have objections from citizens during a public hearing. He has asked the Authority attorney to see if there could be a better definition in code concerning good cause.

Brown noted the City Council is considering some changes to the municipal code concerning marijuana.

**Adjourn** – Brown moved to adjourn. Kaufman seconded. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.
SUBJECT: RENEWAL APPLICATION – TAJ MAHAL III, INC D/B/A TAJ MAHAL III – HOTEL AND RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE – 1075 SOUTH BOULDER ROAD

DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2019

PRESENTED BY: CAROL HANSON, AUTHORITY SECRETARY

SUMMARY:

The licensee, Taj Mahal III, Inc. d/b/a Taj Mahal III, has submitted an application for renewal of its Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License at 1075 South Boulder Road.

The premises are leased and the current agreement is valid.

A Certificate of Good Standing is current and on file.

There were no employees who attended liquor training over the past year.

There were no incidents over the past year that required filing of police reports. However, the establishment did fail a State compliance check.

City of Louisville sales tax account is current.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authority approve the renewal application for – Taj Mahal III, Inc. d/b/a Taj Mahal III – Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License – 1075 South Boulder Road.

Alternatively, the Authority may set a hearing on the renewal application, which may be held after proper notice.
SUBJECT: RENEWAL APPLICATION – BCT, LLC D/B/A BOB’S SANDWICH SHOP – HOTEL & RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE – 820 MAIN STREET #100.

DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2019

PRESENTED BY: CAROL HANSON, AUTHORITY SECRETARY

SUMMARY:

The licensee, BCT, LLC d/b/a Bob’s Sandwich Shop, has submitted an application for renewal of its Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License located at 820 Main Street #100.

The premises are leased and the lease is current and on file.

There were no employees who attended liquor training in the past year.

Certificate of Good Standing is current and on file.

There were no incidents over the past year that required the filing of a police report.

City of Louisville sales tax account is current.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authority approve the renewal application for a Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License for BCT, LLC d/b/a Bob’s Sandwich Shop.

Alternatively, the Authority may set a hearing on the renewal application, which may be held after proper notice.
SUBJECT: RENEWAL APPLICATION – TIAN & LIU LLC 
D/B/A BRASS MONKEY WINE & SPIRITS – RETAIL 
LIQUOR STORE LICENSE – 1387 S. BOULDER ROAD

DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2019

PRESENTED BY: CAROL HANSON, AUTHORITY SECRETARY

SUMMARY:

The licensee, Tian & Liu LLC d/b/a Brass Monkey Wine & Spirits, has submitted a renewal application for its Retail Liquor Store License located at 1387 S. Boulder Road.

The lease for the premises is current and on file.

No employees attended liquor training over the past year.

Certificate of Good Standing is current and on file.

There were no incidents over the past year that required the filing of a police report.

City of Louisville sales tax account is current.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authority approve the renewal application for Tian & Liu LLC d/b/a Brass Monkey Wine & Spirits – Retail Liquor Store License – 1387 S. Boulder Road.

Alternatively, the Authority may set a hearing on the renewal application, which may be held after proper notice.
SUBJECT: RENEWAL APPLICATION – PERROS BLANCOS LLC D/B/A PICA’S TAQUERIALOUISVILLE - HOTEL AND RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE – 901 FRONT ST SUITE 110

DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2019

PRESENTED BY: CAROL HANSON, AUTHORITY SECRETARY

SUMMARY:

The licensee, Perros Blancos LLC d/b/a Pica’s Taqueria Louisville, has submitted an application for renewal of its Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License at 901 Front Street Suite 110.

The premises are leased and the current agreement is valid.

A Certificate of Good Standing is current and on file.

There were no employees who attended liquor training over the past year.

There were no incidents over the past year that required filing of police reports.

City of Louisville sales tax account is current.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authority approve the renewal application for– Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License – Perros Blancos LLC d/b/a Pica’s Taqueria Louisville – 901 Front St Suite 110

Alternatively, the Authority may set a hearing on the renewal application, which may be held after proper notice.
SUBJECT:  SHOW CAUSE HEARING – KCM RESTAURANT HOLDINGS LLC D/B/A MUDROCK’S TAP AND TAVERN – HOTEL AND RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE – 585 E. SOUTH BOULDER RD.

DATE:       FEBRUARY 25, 2019

PRESENTED BY:  CAROL HANSON, AUTHORITY SECRETARY

SUMMARY:

Show Cause Hearing, KCM Restaurant Holdings LLC d/b/a Mudrock’s Tap and Tavern – Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License – 11/25/18 Incident

RECOMMENDATION:

The Authority may conduct a Show Cause Hearing for the purpose of determining whether the licensee has violated one or more of the laws, or regulations set forth in the Colorado Liquor Code.
SUBJECT: SHOW CAUSE HEARING – TRI-CITY ELKS CLUB #2541 - CLUB LIQUOR LICENSE – 525 MAIN STREET

DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2019

PRESENTED BY: CAROL HANSON, AUTHORITY SECRETARY

SUMMARY:

A Show Cause Hearing, Tri-City Elks Club #2541 – Club Liquor License – Incident dated 12-1-18

RECOMMENDATION:

The Authority may conduct a Show Cause Hearing for the purpose of determining whether the licensee has violated one or more of the laws, or regulations set forth in the Colorado Liquor Code.
SUBJECT: SHOW CAUSE HEARING – PAU HANA BREWERY LLC D/B/A REDGARDEN RESTAURANT AND BREWERY – BREW PUB LICENSE – 1700 DOGWOOD ST. (CONTINUE TO MARCH 25, 2019)

DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2019

PRESENTED BY: CAROL HANSON, AUTHORITY SECRETARY

SUMMARY:

Show Cause Hearing, Pau Hana Brewery LLC d/b/a Regarden Restaurant and Brewery – Brew Pub License – 1700 Dogwood Street – 12/14/18.

The special prosecutor and the licensee have asked to continue this matter to the March meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

Continue until the March 25, 2019 Authority meeting as requested by the special prosecutor and licensee.
SUBJECT: CONVERSATION WITH POLICE CHIEF HAYES

DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2019

PRESENTED BY: CAROL HANSON, AUTHORITY SECRETARY

SUMMARY:

The Local Licensing Authority expressed a desire to continue conversations with Police Chief Dave Hayes. He has been invited to attend this meeting.
SUBJECT: MODIFICATION OF PREMISES – PERROS BLANCOS LLC D/B/A PICA’S TAQUERIALOUISVILLE - HOTEL AND RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE – 901 FRONT ST SUITE 110

DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2019

PRESENTED BY: CAROL HANSON, AUTHORITY SECRETARY

SUMMARY:

The licensee, Perros Blancos LLC d/b/a Pica’s Taqueria Louisville, has submitted an application for a one day modification of premises of its Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License at 901 Front Street Suite 110 for a festival, Lucha Libre 2019.

The establishment held a similar event last year and did not expand their liquor license. This year, they would like to modify their premises for the alcohol service. Front Street will be closed and the City is requiring fencing surrounding the event to help control the alcohol service.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authority approve the modification of premises application for– Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License – Perros Blancos LLC d/b/a Pica’s Taqueria Louisville – 901 Front St Suite 110
SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 1, SERIES 2019 OF THE LOUISVILLE LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY – A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A LOTTERY PROCEDURE FOR RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE AND MEDICAL MARIJUANA CENTER LICENSES

DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2019

PRESENTED BY: CAROL HANSON, AUTHORITY SECRETARY

SUMMARY:

Attached is a draft resolution to amend the Authority’s Rules of Procedure to create a lottery to handle applications for the remaining available licenses for retail marijuana stores and medical marijuana centers.

Recently Council approved Ordinance No. 1769, Series 2019 which allows for six (6) total marijuana stores along with adding a 1,500 spacing requirement between stores.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authority members review the change to the Rules of Procedure and approve.
WHEREAS, Sections 5.10.040 and 5.11.040 of the Louisville Municipal Code authorize the Louisville Local Licensing Authority (“Licensing Authority”) to promulgate rules and regulations for its administration of the City’s marijuana business licensing requirements; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to such authority, the Licensing Authority previously adopted Rules of Procedure for Retail Marijuana Establishments and Medical Marijuana Businesses (“Rules of Procedure”); and

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2019, the Louisville City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1769, Series 2019, which among other things, increased the cap on marijuana businesses allowed in the City from four to a total of six retail marijuana stores and medical marijuana centers; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1769 also added a 1,500 foot spacing requirement between retail marijuana stores and medical marijuana centers; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1769 becomes effective on March 19, 2019 and the City has already received several inquiries from people interested in applying for the three available retail marijuana store and medical marijuana center licenses; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure that potential applicants have an equitable opportunity to apply for the available licenses, the Licensing Authority desires to amend the Rules of Procedure to adopt a lottery procedure for those persons seeking to acquire one of the three available local licenses for retail marijuana stores and medical marijuana centers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE, COLORADO:

Section 1. The Rules of Procedure for Retail Marijuana Establishments and Medical Marijuana Businesses are hereby amended by the addition of a new Rule 3.1 to read as follows:

RULE 3.1 RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE AND MEDICAL MARIJUANA CENTER LICENSE LOTTERY

A. All registrants must complete a Retail Marijuana Store/Medical Marijuana Center Lottery Registration Form available from the Office of the City Clerk, 749 Main Street, Louisville, CO, 80027 and on the City’s website (http://www.louisvilleco.gov/).
Registration forms shall be submitted to the Deputy City Clerk at 749 Main Street, Louisville, CO, 80027 or via email to CarolH@LouisvilleCO.gov.

B. Registrations will be accepted from **March 1, 2019 to March 19, 2019**. No registration forms shall be accepted after 5:00 p.m. on March 19, 2019. Only complete registrations shall be accepted. A complete registration shall include all the pre-qualification materials set forth below. The Secretary to the Licensing Authority (the “Secretary”) shall be responsible for determining whether a registration is complete.

C. In addition to completing the Lottery Registration Form, each registrant shall meet the City’s pre-qualification requirements, which require:

   a. The registrant shall submit proof that it has or will have lawful possession of the premises proposed for the retail marijuana store or medical marijuana center, which proof may consist of: a deed; a lease; a real estate contract contingent upon successful licensing; or a letter of intent by the owner of the premises indicating an intent to lease the premises to the registrant contingent upon successful licensing.

   b. The location proposed for licensing by the registrant shall comply with all applicable City zoning ordinances and the location restrictions set forth in Sections 5.10 and 5.11 of the Louisville Municipal Code.

   c. Lottery registration applications and the required pre-qualification materials may not be amended or otherwise supplemented once submitted.

   d. Those registrants not deemed pre-qualified shall be notified in writing by the Secretary.

   e. Only one entry per proposed retail marijuana store or medical marijuana center shall be accepted.

D. A random drawing of all entries meeting the pre-qualification requirements set forth above will be held by the City in the Council Chambers at Louisville City Hall, 749 Main Street, Louisville, CO, 80027 on a date to be determined by the Secretary. Registrants need not be present during the drawing. Up to ten (10) potential applicants will be selected and assigned a number from one to ten in the order they are drawn from first to last. The City will notify those selected in writing within two (2) business days by email at the email address set forth on the lottery registration form.

E. The first three registrants selected shall have the opportunity to apply for a license to operate a retail marijuana store or medical marijuana center. Should a selected registrant withdraw or be denied a license or not acquire a license within the specified time set forth
herein, the next selected pre-qualified registrant shall be considered. Should one of the selected registrants be for a location that is within 1,500 feet of one of the registrants selected before it, said registrant shall be given sixty (60) days from the date of selection to find a premises that complies with the 1,500 feet distance requirement and submit proof of lawful possession as provided in Section C(a). Should the registrant fail to submit such proof within sixty (60) days, the next pre-qualified registrant shall be considered.

F. The other registrants chosen shall, in the order selected, be placed on a waiting list. Registrants may remain on the waiting list for up to twelve (12) months from the date of the initial selection after which the list shall expire. Upon expiration of the waiting list, applications shall be accepted on a first come basis.

G. REGISTRANTS ARE PROHIBITED FROM SELLING, TRANSFERRING, ASSIGNING OR OTHERWISE CONVEYING THEIR ENTRY OR ANY LOTTERY OR WAITING LIST POSITION.

H. Selected registrants must obtain all required State and local licenses within six (6) months from their date of selection. Upon written request, the Licensing Authority may, for “good cause,” as determined solely within the Licensing Authority’s discretion, grant an applicant one extension not to exceed ninety (90) days.

I. SELECTION OF A REGISTRANT IN THE LOTTERY SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO CREATE ANY RIGHT OR ENTITLEMENT TO LICENSING BY THE CITY AND SELECTED REGISTRANTS REMAIN SUBJECT TO ALL REQUIREMENTS IN STATE LAW AND THE LOUISVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE.

Section 2. This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption. The Secretary is hereby authorized to perform all acts necessary to effectuate the rules set forth herein.

INTRODUCED, READ, and ADOPTED this _____ day of __________________, 2019.

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Matthew Machado, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Carol Hanson, Authority Secretary