

**STAFF REPORT
OUTDOOR MUSIC VENUE PERMIT**

CASE NUMBER: SO-2014-0229

NAME AND LOCATION OF BUSINESS: Ski Shores Café, 2905 Pearce Rd

ZONING: SF-3

APPLICANT/AGENT: Richard Engel

APPELLENT: Bob McLaren

REQUEST: Outdoor Music Venue Permit

TIMELINE/SUMMARY OF ACTIONS:

- Application Received: March 26, 2014
- Notice Mailed: March 28, 2014
- Date to Register as Interested Party: April 11, 2014
- Application Approval: April 25, 2014
- Appeal Received: May 8, 2014
- Deadline To Appeal Decision: May 9, 2014

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends denial of appeal for the following reasons:

- The applicant has a track record of compliance with previous permits, addressing sound issues quickly. The applicant has committed to working with the Music Office and appellant in this case to find a solution.
- Over the past few years, the applicant has voluntarily made several changes in an effort to reduce sound impact on neighboring properties including purchase of a small directional PA system with no subwoofers, limited use of drums and policy that all performers sign a contract requiring strict adherence to permit terms.
- The applicant plans to have performances only two evenings a week and as a restaurant (general) use is automatically limited to 70 Decibels by city code.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Sunday-Thursday: 10:00am-8:00pm

Friday & Saturday: 10:00am-10:00pm

70 Decibels

LEGAL INTERESTED PARTIES:

- Bob McLaren
- Jay Morgan
- Guanguhi Hu

EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:

	ZONING	LAND USES
SITE	SF-3	Restaurant
NORTH	SF-3	Single Family Residence
SOUTH	SF-3	Warehouse
EAST	LA	Lake Austin
WEST	LA	Single Family Residence, Undeveloped

COMPLAINTS SINCE PERMIT ISSUED: No sound related complaints to Austin Police Department in last 12 months. (Provided by Tara Long, APD)