

Bill's Bait Shop PH response- July 7, 2026 BHZ

1.

Your name (optional)	Neighbor on 31st Ave
Comments- all will be part of the public record	This new restaurant must Absolutely close by 11 PM, indoors and outdoors. This is a residential neighborhood with elders and families with young children. We need peaceful nighttime hours, not loud patrons carrying on and driving intoxicated late into the night. Busters closes at 11 PM. Ideally this new restaurant should close by 9 or 10 PM. We want to be excited and welcome this new business but not if they operate like this is Uptown! This is a quiet family neighborhood. In addition, ANY ambient music or karaoke or other entertainment needs to be kept FULLY indoors so no extraneous noise affects close-by homes.
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Your name (optional)	Katherine Bangston
Comments- all will be part of the public record	Given this sits in the middle of a residential area we would ask for an earlier closure time of 11pm . It would be helpful to have some restrictions on public parking on adjacent blocks 4100- 4200 block of 31st (e.g. permitted for residents/ time limited to non residents).
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Nokomis resident	This busniess proposes to be open until 1 am. There is only on street parking in a residen-tial neighborhood with houses right next door. And an elementary school down the block. This is not a neighborhood for late night drunk people leaving the bar at 1 am. Please limit operations hours to 11pm like the other successful bars in the neighborhood: Bulls horn food and drink 11pm Busters 11pm Northbound brewery Venn brewery Bills garden Parkway pizza The howe	06/23/26	Bills bait shop
	Yes please! We have no problem with them having a liquor license or sidewalk seating.	06/23/26	Bull's Bait Shop

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Your name (optional)	jen clough
Comments- all will be part of the public record	Can't wait for it to open! I think midnight is a good closing time. Otherwise, it sounds fantastic!
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Your name (optional)	Kristin Henderson
Comments- all will be part of the public record	We are excited for a new spot in the neighborhood. We'd ask that the permitted operating hours match similar businesses in the very residential area, closing inside and out by 11pm. This would be in accordance to the rhymes of the many single family homes in the area.
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Your name (optional)	Kristina Geiger
Comments- all will be part of the public record	I live near the corner of Nokomis Av and 42nd St, 1 block from Bill's Bait Shop's location. My family and I support their request for a full liquor license. We want to support businesses - that serve good quality food along with drinks - that will draw added street traffic to that area. The location is near Hiawatha Av. and could use more regular activity in the evening. We think it would make the neighborhood feel safer.
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Your name (optional)	
Comments- all will be part of the public record	Thank you for sending the notice in the mail. I cannot make the hearing. We are very excited to have Bill's Bait Shop join the neighborhood. I would strongly urge the business to close their patio at 10:00pm instead of 11:00pm. I don't care how late they are open inside. I trust they will keep their bar noise and karaoke noise indoors contained. I am hoping those who are outside smoking and lingering can respect the neighbors. As long as we can try to contain noise while people are sleeping or trying to wind down their day, that would be appreciated. We have elderly and families with young children on this block. Thank you for the consideration.
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Your name (optional)	Jacob Schulke
Comments- all will be part of the public record	Very excited for a walkable full service restaurant in the neighborhood. I believe this will be great for the community.
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Your name (optional)	D. Cobb
Comments- all will be part of the public record	In favor of the liquor license and looking forward to another local business coming to the neighborhood
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Your name (optional)	Nicole Sheldon
Comments- all will be part of the public record	I live on the same street that Bill's Bait Shop restaurant will be located. It is a residential area and the restaurant would be surrounded by private homes. I would like to ask that their outdoor patio would be closed by 9 pm on weekdays, and 10 pm on weekends. Thank you for considering the noise effect on the neighborhood.
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Your name (optional)	
Comments- all will be part of the public record	I agree with the proposal. Definitely will fit the neighborhood. Im a 1/2 block away.
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12.

Your name (optional)	Laura T.
Comments- all will be part of the public record	While I'm excited for a new business to take over the corner of 42nd and 31st, I am most concerned about the proposed hours of operation. No other bar or restaurant in this neighborhood is open until 1:00 AM. We chose to live in this neighborhood because it's quiet and family friendly. Closing at 10 or 11 PM would align with the other restaurants, bars, and brewpubs in the area.
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Your name (optional)	
Comments- all will be part of the public record	I am a nearby resident writing regarding the application for an On Sale Liquor License with Sunday Sales, Limited Entertainment, and a Sidewalk Café at 3101 E. 42nd Street. I welcome the investment in our neighborhood and support the addition of a locally owned restaurant. I believe a successful neighborhood restaurant can be a positive asset to the community by providing dining options and contributing to the vitality of the area. At the same time, I ask the Committee to carefully consider the potential impacts on the surrounding residential neighborhood. This location is immediately adjacent to homes in an RM1 residential district, and many residents live within a short distance of the proposed restaurant. While the application describes the entertainment as ambient background music, it also indicates that karaoke and trivia may be offered. Combined with alcohol service until 1:00 a.m., these activities have the potential to increase noise from amplified sound, patrons gathering outdoors, and late-night departures. Even if music remains indoors, noise associated with customers leaving the establishment late at night can affect nearby residents' ability to enjoy the quiet use of their homes. The public hearing notice states that the proposed entertainment will consist of ambient background music, with occasional karaoke and trivia. I respectfully request that, if the license is approved, the City incorporate those representations into the license conditions. Doing so would provide clarity for both the business and nearby residents by ensuring that the scope of entertainment remains consistent with what was presented during the public review process. If the applicant wishes to expand beyond those activities in the future, I ask that such changes be subject to additional City review and an opportunity for

	neighborhood input. Because the proposed restaurant is located adjacent to residential properties, I also request that any outdoor entertainment be limited to unamplified ambient background music only, with no karaoke, DJs, or other amplified entertainment on the patio. This would be consistent with the expectation of preserving neighborhood quiet while still allowing the restaurant to offer outdoor dining. If the license is approved, I respectfully request that the City also consider reasonable operating conditions to help balance a successful business with neighborhood livability. These could include: * Outdoor patio hours ending earlier than 11:00 p.m., such as 9:00 or 10:00 p.m. * Any karaoke or other amplified entertainment limited to the interior of the building. * Doors and windows remaining closed during indoor entertainment, except for normal ingress and egress. * Continued monitoring of noise complaints and the ability to revisit license conditions if the operation creates repeated disturbances for nearby residents. I appreciate the applicant's desire to create a welcoming neighborhood restaurant, and I believe these types of conditions would help ensure that nearby residents can continue to enjoy a reasonable quality of life while allowing the business to succeed. Thank you for your consideration.
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14.

Your name (optional)	
Comments- all will be part of the public record	Hello, I am a home owner and resident on the 42nd block of 31st Ave S, just some houses down from the business. I support the approval of the liquor license. I DO NOT support the proposed hours of operation. Our neighborhood and street/block is a lovely, quiet, residential street with many families with young children and we don't have people walking and wandering around after dark. I am very concerned that having a late-night bar at the end of the block will disrupt the quiet and peaceful nature of our nights here. Further, given the residential area, it doesn't seem like a fit for the business, either, to be open late; we're not that kind of area or neighborhood. I urge you to consider hours of operation ending at 10pm to help us keep the peace and quiet of our nights here on our street and in our neighborhood. Thank you for your consideration.
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Your name (optional)	Traci Thompson
Comments- all will be part of the public record	Patio hours until 11PM are too late. This is a residential area, we work. I suggest patio hours until 9PM Sunday-Thursday and 10PM Friday and Saturday.
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6-25-26

Voice message feedback from Nicole lives who, lives on 31st, not concerned with interior hours but would like the private patio hours to close at 10pm.

7-6-26

Voice message feedback from Shelia, at 4xxx 32nd Ave, suggested the hours to be an hour earlier for the interior and exterior of the business due to being in a residential neighborhood.

7-7-26

Phone call from Janet, at 4xxx 31st, stated she was concerned about patio hours, due to people hanging around passed closed. She was okay with the with the patio closing at 11 pm on weekends and on weekdays at 10 pm.

From: [Rachel Coyle](#)
To: [Council Comment](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Bill's Bait Shop
Date: Saturday, June 27, 2026 7:42:32 AM

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Hello,

I am a homeowner/resident in the SENA neighborhood and would like to voice my support of this new establishment's request for a full liquor license. Restaurants and other retail are a vital part of our local economy. I have a family and a child—it is not reasonable to assume that a restaurant that sells booze will inherently bring trouble. Several in our area have outdoor patios that are always full of families and are not the cause of disturbances.

Please let them open.

Best
Rachel Jongeward
3928 24th Ave S

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[EXTERNAL] This email originated from outside of the City of Minneapolis. Please exercise caution when opening links or attachments.

From: [Rebecca Dickel](#)
To: [Council Comment](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Comment for Liquor License for Bill's
Date: Monday, June 29, 2026 5:08:59 PM

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Hello,

I am a local to the neighborhood (I live on the 41st block of Nokomis Ave) and I am in support of granting a full liquor license to the business.

Having this business be able to sell liquor will help provide walkable access for the neighborhood which can increase convenience for neighbors. Having a place to purchase liquor within walking distance can help to reduce the risk of people making the choice to drive drunk.

Thanks,
Rebecca Dickel

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From: [Matt & Tara Finnesgard](#)
To: [Council Comment](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: fill liquor license for Bill's Bait Shop
Date: Tuesday, June 30, 2026 3:04:38 PM

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Good afternoon.

My name is Tara and I live off of 39th Street and Nokomis Avenue. My husband, 5-year-old, and I frequent many of our restaurants, coffee shops, and breweries in the area and are very excited for Bill's Bait Shop to open just three blocks away at the intersection of 42nd Street and 31st Ave.

I'm writing today to share my full support of granting the business a full liquor license as they are requesting. As somebody who is a parent, neighbor, and somebody who used to work in a restaurant, I know how important liquor licenses can be for the success of a restaurant. And also a frequent visitor of Centro and know a firsthand experience of how responsible and responsive they are too their customers and neighbors. Selfishly, I really enjoy the drinks offered at their Centro restaurants and would love a place that I can walk to to get a really yummy cocktail with my family (and maybe dog if it's patio season)!

I understand that folks have some concern about noise and rowdy behavior, but we have a few full liquor license restaurants in the neighborhood and I have not heard any complaints like this from those specific blocks.

I know that there has been quite a bit of turnover at this location compared to other restaurants in the area, so I really hope the council considers a full liquor license so that the business can be successful and stay as long as possible!

Thank you

Tara Finnesgard
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From: [Chowdhury, Aurin](#)
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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Bill's Bait Shop Liquor License
Date: Monday, July 6, 2026 2:29:45 PM
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Hi Aurin – I hope you're well! I'm a constituent living at 4023 Nokomis Ave and I heard the new restaurant going in down the block (Bill's Bait Shop) has an upcoming hearing to get their liquor license. I'm strongly in support of them being awarded that license!

As someone who lives just a block and a half away, I see this as a clear positive for the neighborhood – a walkable, locally-owned option for food and drinks in a neighborhood where many parents of young kids like myself can't make time to drive to a further location on a weeknight. Buster's is great, but it's the ONLY location within 6+ blocks of us, and a small one at that. Thank you for your consideration and for being a representative that I'm proud to support!

Best,

Zach Jenson

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