

2024 Annual Liquor Permit Renewal Objections

Presentation to the Public Safety & Governance Committee of Cincinnati City Council

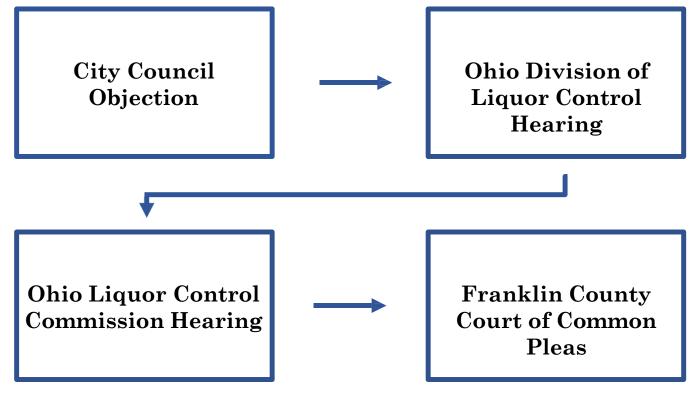
April 16, 2024

Annual Renewal Objection Process Overview

- Liquor permits are issued by the State of Ohio (Ohio Division of Liquor Control)
- Liquors permits are valid for one year must be renewed each year
- City Council has the right to object to the renewal of liquor permits
- Objections for Cincinnati are due on May 2
- Objections are usually on one of two grounds:
 - The permit holder has operated the business in disregard of the law
 - Renewal of the permit would substantially interfere with the "public decency, sobriety, peace or good order" of the neighborhood



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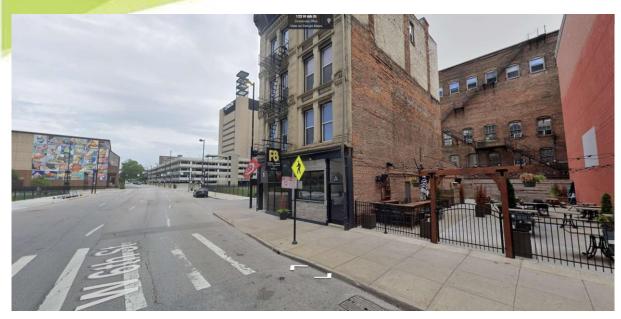
2024 Recommended Objections

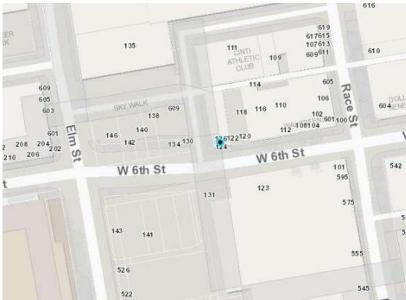
- 1. Rusconi's Bar & Kitchen, 126 W. Sixth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
- 2. Drip Coffee Lounge/Legacy Lounge, 2927 Colerain Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45225



Rusconi's Bar & Kitchen

126 W. Sixth Street, Central Business District







Rusconi's Bar & Kitchen

Summary

- 1. Gun Violence:
 - 1/8/23: Shots fired
 - 5/8/23: Patron was shot after leaving
 - 9/4/23: Shots fired
- 2. Overcrowding: Bar routinely exceeds maximum fire capacity.
- 3. After-Hours Service: Four violations since October 2024



Rusconi's Timeline

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
01/28/2023	0200	Owners reported a shooting in bar. Blood was found. No victim was located.
04/29/2023	0407	Drug abuse
05/08/2023	0135	Patron shot near Sixth Street and Elm Street.
05/14/2023	2313	Patron was permitted to leave premises with alcohol.
05/15/2023	0011	Overcapacity. Fight.
05/28/2023	0002	Overcapacity. Fight.
07/02/2023	0125	Fight.
07/02/2023	0147	Loud music. Bar ignored requests to reduce the volume.
07/02/2023	2339	Fight. Loud music.



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07/03/2023	0139	Overcapacity. Patrons' vehicles illegally parked.
07/10/2023	0225	Overcapacity. Loud music. Patron's vehicles illegally parked.
07/22/2023	2218	Patron arrested for sexually assaulting other patrons and resisted arrest.
07/24/2023	0211	Fight. Officers ordered crowd to disburse. Bar staff obstructed.
07/29/2023	0146	Overcapacity. Multiple fights in bar and street/sidewalk.
08/01/2023	2345	Overcapacity. Patron's vehicles illegally parked. Disorderly crowd.
08/02/2023	0014	Disorderly crowd.
08/07/2023	0049	Overcapacity. Fight.
09/04/2023	0242	Shots fired outside bar by bar patrons.
10/23/2023	0039	Patrons' vehicles illegally parked per bar owner's instructions



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11/06/2023	0137	Fight. Number of individuals involved required additional officers.
11/06/2023	0030	Overcapacity.
12/11/2023	0252	After-hours service.
01/01/2024	0441	After-hours service. Manager obstructed and was disorderly.
01/17/2024	0300	After-hours service. Bartender obstructed.
03/02/2024	0135	Underaged consumption.
03/03/2024	2219	Loud music.

Rusconi's Fight





Legacy Lounge (formerly Drip Coffee)

2927 Colerain Avenue, Camp Washington





Summary

1. Shootings, Shots Fired, and Firearms:

- Five incidents involving firearms, including 2/3/24 shots fired, 3/18/24 shooting, and 3/18/24 shots fired
- Security is armed and carry assault weapons (AR-15)
- One security guard charged for illegally possessing a firearm

2. Missing Licenses and Permits:

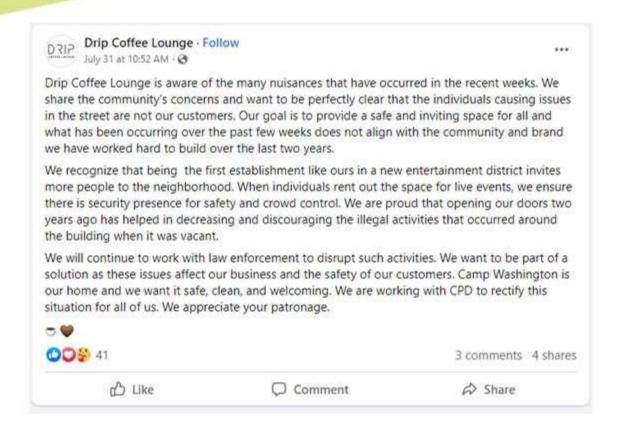
- Certificate of occupancy
- Food service license
- Dance hall license
- Admissions tax license

Food trucks at business are also unlicensed.

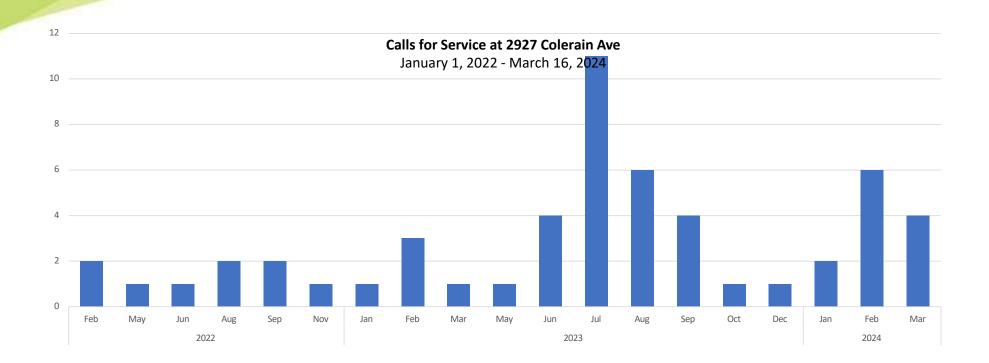


<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
2021	Drip Coffee Opens
01/16/2023	Disorderly Conduct
06/30/2023	Disorderly Conduct
07/23/2023	Shots Fired
07/24/2023	Disorderly Conduct
07/30/2023	Shooting at Drip Coffee Lounge at 4:31 a.m.
09/25/2023	Disorderly Conduct





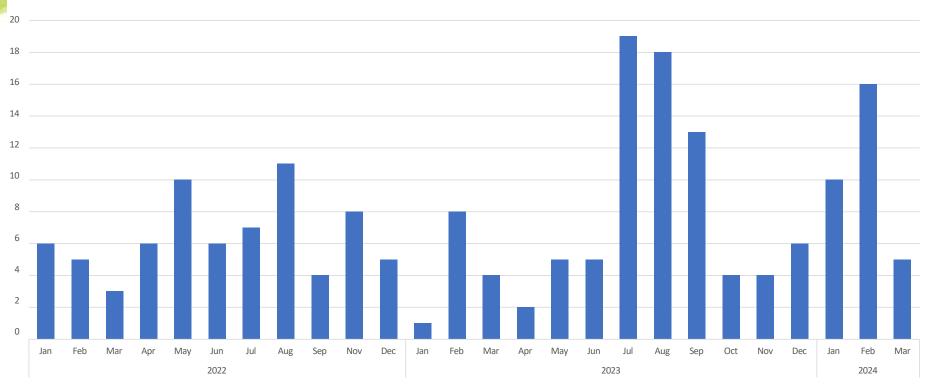






Calls for Service within 250 feet of 2927 Colerain Ave

January 1, 2022 - March 16, 2024





<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
December 2023	New ownership. Club rebrands as Legacy Lounge.
02/03/2024	Shots fired.
02/23/2024	Patrons report fight with armed persons inside bar.
	Dispute at Legacy Lounge leads to shooting in Clifton.
03/18/2024	Patron leaving Legacy Lounge is pistol whipped and shot.
	Shots fired. 3 underaged persons arrested with 2 firearms.
03/22/2024	Application to transfer license submitted.











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