



**LIQUOR & MARIJUANA AUTHORITY MEETING
PUEBLO MUNICIPAL JUSTICE CENTER
200 SOUTH MAIN ST
FRIDAY, MAY 22, 2026 - 1:30 PM**

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Judge Dunford called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL - 1:30 PM

Judge Nelson Dunford
Deputy City Clerk Vincent Petkosek

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Judge Dunford approved the agenda as posted.

D. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D1 Reading and Approval of the Minutes from the April 24, 2026, meeting of the Pueblo Liquor and Marijuana Authority.

Judge Dunford approved the Minutes from the April 24, 2026, meeting of the Pueblo Liquor and Marijuana Authority.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

E1 Modification of Premises - Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License - Manager Change - Twenty-One Steak LLC, dba: Twenty-One Steak, 101 S. Main Street, Manager: Alec Garcia.

E2 Modification of Premises - FMB Liquor License - Manager Change - 7-Eleven Inc, dba: 7-Eleven #13111S, 2727 S. Prairie Ave, Manager: Racheal Shelinbarger.

E3 Modification of Premise - Address Change - Entertainment Liquor License - Amenity Barber LLC, dba: Amenity Barber, 107 N. Union Ave, Previous Address: 103 N. Union Ave.

E4 Approval of the Consent Agenda as read

Judge Dunford approved the Consent Agenda as read contingent on all department sign-offs.

F. REGULAR AGENDA

F1 Modification of Premises - Club License - Change of Corporate Structure - Pueblo Country Club, 3200 8th Ave, Members: Ronnie Swartz - GM, Sherrie Sparrow-Draeger - President, Tom Ratzlaff - Officer.

Ronnie Swartz, General Manager
Sherri Sparrow-Draeger, President
Tom Ratzlaff, Officer

Deputy City Clerk Petkosek confirmed the public notice was posted in the required timeframe.

Deputy City Clerk Petkosek confirmed an inspection of the location had taken place.

Judge Dunford swore in Mr. Swartz, Ms Sparrow-Draeger and Mr. Ratzlaff.

Mr. Swartz, Ms Sparrow-Draeger and Mr. Ratzlaff answered questions and addressed comments made by Judge Dunford.

Judge Dunford approved the Change of Corporate Structure for the Pueblo Country Club, 3200 8th Ave.

F2 Transfer of Ownership - Retail Liquor License - Samir Investments LLC, dba: Flame Liquor, 2225 Lake Ave, Owner Luwam Dawit.

Luwam Dawit, Owner

Deputy City Clerk Petkosek confirmed the public notice was posted in the required timeframe.

Deputy City Clerk Petkosek confirmed an inspection of the location had taken place.

Judge Dunford swore in Ms. Dawit.

During this hearing, Ms. Dawit's husband, Shamir, would tell her what to say for each question asked by Judge Dunford. Judge Dunford spoke with Shamir, who told Judge Dunford he already owns one liquor store and to have another he would have to put it in his wife's name.

Judge Dunford denied the Transfer of Ownership, Retail Liquor License, Samir Investments LLC, dba: Flame Liquor, 2225 Lake Ave for 30 days to conduct research on state laws. This application will be at the June 26, 2026, hearing.

F3 Temporary Modification of Premises - Entertainment License - Pueblo Convention Center, 320 Central Main Street, Event Date June 27, 2026

Kevin Ortiz, Pueblo Convention Center

Deputy City Clerk Petkosek confirmed the public notice was posted in the required timeframe.

Deputy City Clerk Petkosek confirmed an inspection of the location had taken place.

Judge Dunford swore in Mr. Ortiz.

Mr. Ortiz answered questions and addressed comments made by Judge Dunford.

Judge Dunford approved the Temporary Modification of Premises, Entertainment License, The Pueblo Convention Center, 320 Central Main Street, Event Date: June 27, 2026.

G. ADJOURN

Judge Dunford adjourned the meeting at 1:57 p.m.