



LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PROPOSED AGENDA
WORK SESSION, MONDAY OCTOBER 25, 2021, 8:30 AM
REGULAR SESSION, MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 5:30 PM
327 N. Ashley Street - 2nd Floor

1. **Call To Order**
2. **Invocation**
3. **Pledge Of Allegiance To The Flag**
4. **Proclamation Presentation to Valwood Valiants Volleyball Team**
5. **Minutes For Approval**
 - a. Work Session - October 11, 2021 & Regular Session - October 12, 2021
Recommended Action:
Documents:
6. **For Consideration**
 - a. FY2022 Joint Funding Agreement with USGS
Recommended Action: Approve
Documents:
 - b. Beer and Wine License - Nehaben Patel of Shree 4946, LLC, DBA Triangle Foods - 4946 US Hwy 41 S, Lake Park, GA
Recommended Action: Approve
Documents:
7. **Reports - County Manager**
 - a. Lowndes County Extension Office Presentation (Work Session)
Recommended Action:
Documents:
8. **Citizens Wishing To Be Heard - Please State Your Name and Address**
9. **Adjournment**

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: FY2022 Joint Funding Agreement with USGS

DATE OF MEETING: October 25, 2021

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT: \$22,950.00

FUNDING SOURCE:

- Annual: \$22,950.00
- Capital
- N/A
- SPLOST
- TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Approval of FY2022 Joint Funding Agreement

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: In 2009, Lowndes County entered into an agreement with the US Geological Survey (USGS) to install and maintain a stream gauge to monitor water levels on the Little River. This gauge is installed on the Hwy 122 bridge, just west of Hahira. While the USGS provided all of the equipment and the installation costs, Lowndes County has entered into an agreement since that time to provide funding for the ongoing maintenance costs associated with keeping the equipment in operation. From 2009 until 2019, Lowndes County funded this single gauge site.

In 2019, the City of Valdosta notified the USGS that they would no longer be able to fund the main gauge site located on the Withlacoochee River at the Skipper Bridge location. At that time, Lowndes County agreed to assist with additional funding to allow this gauge to remain in operation. This additional gauge is funded in a partnership with USGS and the Suwanee River Watershed Management District, both providing funding towards this project location.

With the currently proposed agreement, Lowndes County is responsible for \$22,950.00, in maintenance costs. This is broken down into \$14,500.00, for the Little River site and \$8,450.00, for the Withlacoochee River site. This represents a \$450.00.00 increase over the previous year.

OPTIONS: 1. Authorize Chairman to sign the Joint Funding Agreement for continued maintenance of both USGS stream gauges.
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

DEPARTMENT: Emergency Management

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Ashley Tye

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:



United States Department of the Interior

U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
South Atlantic Water Science Center
1770 Corporate Drive, Suite 500
Norcross, Georgia 30093
Phone: (678) 924-6691 Fax: (678) 924-6710
<http://ga.water.usgs.gov>

August 9, 2021

Mr. Ashley Tye
250 Douglas County
Valdosta, Georgia 31601

Dear Ashley,

Enclosed please find two revised copies of the Joint Funding Agreement (JFA) with original signatures for the project entitled "the operation and routine maintenance of two real-time streamgages". This agreement is entered into by the USGS under authority of 43 USC 36C; 43 USC 50; and 43 USC 50b.

This JFA covers the period beginning on October 1, 2021, and ending on September 30, 2022, at a total cost of \$24,750 with \$1,800 provided by USGS and \$22,950 provided by Lowndes County, Georgia.

Station Number	Station Name	USGS Contribution	Lowndes Contribution	Gage Total
0231830	Little River @ GA 122, near Hahira, GA	\$900	\$14,500	\$15,400
023177483	Withlacoochee River at Skipper Bridge Rd, nr Bemiss, GA	\$900	\$8,450	\$9,350
	TOTAL	\$1,800	\$22,950	\$24,750

Please have both copies signed by an authorized official(s), retaining one copy for your records, and returning the other to the attention of Crystal Stallworth at the address shown above. Work cannot be started or continued until we receive the signed agreement. All work performed with funds from this agreement will be conducted on a fixed-price basis. Billing for this JFA will be rendered annually. Please do not send a check at this time as you will be billed at a later date which will include payment instructions with the address for mailing your check. The results of all work under this agreement will be available for publication by the U.S. Geological Survey.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact Brian E. McCallum, Assistant Director for Data - Georgia, at 678-924-6672 or via email at bemccall@usgs.gov.

Sincerely,

Victor Engel

Victor Engel, Director
USGS South Atlantic Water Science Center

Form 9-1366
(May 2018)

U.S. Department of the Interior
U.S. Geological Survey
Joint Funding Agreement
FOR
Water Resource Investigations

Fixed Cost Agreement YES[X] NO[]

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into as of the October 1, 2021, by the U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, South Atlantic Water Science Center, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, party of the first part, and the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners party of the second part.

1. The parties hereto agree that subject to the availability of appropriations and in accordance with their respective authorities there shall be maintained in cooperation Water Resource Investigations (per attachment), herein called the program. The USGS legal authority is 43 USC 36C; 43 USC 50, and 43 USC 50b.

2. The following amounts shall be contributed to cover all of the cost of the necessary field and analytical work directly related to this program. 2(b) include In-Kind-Services in the amount of \$0.00

- (a) \$ 1,800 by the party of the first part during the period
October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022
- (b) \$22,950 by the party of the second part during the period
October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022
- (c) Contributions are provided by the party of the first part through other USGS regional or national programs, in the amount of: \$0

Description of the USGS regional/national program:

- (d) Additional or reduced amounts by each party during the above period or succeeding periods as may be determined by mutual agreement and set forth in an exchange of letters between the parties.
 - (e) The performance period may be changed by mutual agreement and set forth in an exchange of letters between the parties.
3. The costs of this program may be paid by either party in conformity with the laws and regulations respectively governing each party.
4. The field and analytical work pertaining to this program shall be under the direction of or subject to periodic review by an authorized representative of the party of the first part.
5. The areas to be included in the program shall be determined by mutual agreement between the parties hereto or their authorized representatives. The methods employed in the field and office shall be those adopted by the party of the first part to insure the required standards of accuracy subject to modification by mutual agreement.
6. During the course of this program, all field and analytical work of either party pertaining to this program shall be open to the inspection of the other party, and if the work is not being carried on in a mutually satisfactory manner, either party may terminate this agreement upon 60 days written notice to the other party.
7. The original records resulting from this program will be deposited in the office of origin of those records. Upon request, copies of the original records will be provided to the office of the other party.
8. The maps, records or reports resulting from this program shall be made available to the public as promptly as possible. The maps, records or reports normally will be published by the party of the first part. However, the party of the second part reserves the right to publish the results of this program, and if already published by the party of the first part shall, upon request, be furnished by the party of the first part, at cost, impressions suitable for purposes of reproduction similar to that for which the original copy was prepared. The maps, records or reports published by either party shall contain a statement of the cooperative relations between the parties. The Parties acknowledge that scientific information and data developed as a result of the Scope of Work (SOW) are subject to applicable USGS review, approval, and release requirements, which are available on the USGS Fundamental Science Practices website (<https://www2.usgs.gov/fsp/>).

U.S. Department of the Interior
U.S. Geological Survey
Joint Funding Agreement
FOR
Water Resource Investigations

9. Billing for this agreement will be rendered annually. Invoices not paid within 60 days from the billing date will bear interest, Penalties, and Administrative cost at the annual rate pursuant the Debt Collection Act of 1982, (codified at 31 U.S.C. § 3717) established by the U.S. Treasury.

USGS Technical Point of Contact

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Assistant Director for Data - Georgia
Address: 1770 Corporate Drive Suite 500
Norcross, GA 30093
Telephone: (678) 924-6672
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Email: bemccall@usgs.gov

Customer Technical Point of Contact

Name: Ashely Tye
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Valdosta, GA 31601
Telephone: (229) 671-2790
Fax:
Email: atye@lowndescounty.com

USGS Billing Point of Contact

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Budget Analyst
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U.S. Geological Survey
United States
Department of Interior

Lowndes County Board of Commissioners

Signature
Digitally signed by
VICTOR ENGEL
Date: 2021.08.09
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By VICTOR ENGEL Date: _____
Name: Victor Engel
Title: Director

Signatures
By _____ Date: _____
Name:
Title:

By _____ Date: _____
Name:
Title:

By _____ Date: _____
Name:
Title:

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Beer and Wine License - Nehaben Patel of Shree 4946, LLC, DBA
Triangle Foods - 4946 US Hwy 41 S, Lake Park, GA

DATE OF MEETING: October 25, 2021

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT:

FUNDING SOURCE:

- Annual
- Capital
- N/A
- SPLOST
- TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Beer and Wine License - Nehaben Patel of Shree 4946, LLC, DBA Triangle
Foods - 4946 US Hwy 41 S, Lake Park, GA

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: Beer and Wine License - Nehaben Patel of Shree 4946, LLC, DBA Triangle Foods -
4946 US Hwy 41 S, Lake Park, GA is requesting a license for the sale of beer and wine for consumption off
premise. This is due to a change in ownership. The ordinance and guidelines for approval of the license have
been met. All forms are attached and upon approval by the Board the license will be granted.

OPTIONS: 1. Approval of the Beer and Wine License
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

DEPARTMENT: Finance

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Stephanie Black

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Alcoholic Beverage License Application
Lowndes County Board of Commissioners
Finance Department -- Licensing Division

#01354782

Before completing this application, you must verify that the proposed location of your establishment is located in unincorporated Lowndes County.

1. TYPE OF LICENSE(S) APPLIED FOR (check all that apply):

- Retail Dealer -- Off Premises Consumption (Distilled Spirits)
- Retail Dealer -- Off Premises Consumption (Malt Beverages)
- Retail Dealer -- Off Premises Consumption (Wine)
- Retail Consumption Dealer -- Consumption on Premises (Distilled Spirits)
- Retail Consumption Dealer -- Consumption on Premises (Malt Beverages)
- Retail Consumption Dealer -- Consumption on Premises (Wine)
- Wholesaler -- Distilled Spirits with warehousing in Lowndes County
- Wholesaler -- Distilled Spirits without warehousing in Lowndes County
- Wholesaler -- Malt Beverages with warehousing in Lowndes County
- Wholesaler -- Malt Beverages without warehousing in Lowndes County
- Wholesaler -- Wine with warehousing in Lowndes County
- Wholesaler -- Wine without warehousing in Lowndes County
- Alcoholic Beverage Catering License

No retail dealer licensee shall hold any retail consumption dealer license for the same location, and vice versa; and no wholesale dealer licensee shall hold any retail dealer license or retail consumption dealer license for the same location.

2. Official Legal Name of Entity or Person seeking the License(s) (the "Applicant"):

Shree 4946 LLC

3. Applicant's Business or Trade Name (if different than official legal name):

DBA Triangle Foods

4. List any aliases, tradenames, or other names under which the Applicant is known or conducting business, or has been known or conducted business during the past three years:

Kesar Bhavani DBA Fast Stop

5. If Applicant is an Entity, Full Name of the individual Making this Application for the Applicant:

Nehaben Patel

6. Street Address of establishment for which license is sought:

4946 US HWY 41 S,
Lake Park, GA 31636

7. Street Address of Applicant's Primary Place of Business, if different from question #6 above:

Same as above.

8. Describe the type of establishment to be operated pursuant to the license applied for and the category(ies) of alcoholic beverage related functions and activities to be conducted at such establishment. (Attach additional pages if more space is needed)

Convenience ^{store} with Gas serving Beer
and wine

9. Lowndes County's alcohol ordinance prohibits the distribution, sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages within 300 feet of any church building. The ordinance also prohibits the distribution, sale or consumption of wine or malt beverages within 100 yards, or of distilled spirits within 200 yards, of any

school building, educational building, school grounds or college campus. Those distances are measured from the door of the licensed establishment to the nearest street, thence along said street to the nearest point of any church building, school building, educational building, school grounds or college campus. List below the name and street address of the nearest church and the nearest educational facilities to the proposed establishment including the address.

* Church: _____

* School, college or other educational facility or grounds: _____

10. Has the Applicant or the establishment to be licensed been denied or had ~~had~~ revoked an alcohol license by Lowndes County within the preceding twelve (12) months? YES NO
If yes, please explain. [Attach additional pages if more space needed]

N/A

11. Has the Applicant, any person identified in question 12 below, or any employee of the establishment for which licensure is being sought ever been refused a license related to alcohol or had such license suspended or revoked (either by Lowndes County or another jurisdiction)? YES NO
If yes, state the month and year of such occurrence, the jurisdiction, and the circumstances. [Attach additional pages if more space needed]

N/A

12. Type of Legal Entity applying for license: Individual Partnership
 Joint Venture Corporation
 Firm Association
 Limited Liability Company (LLC)
 Other: _____

If the Applicant is a partnership, joint venture or firm, list the names and addresses of all owners of the partnership, joint venture or firm. [Attach additional pages if more space is needed]

If the Applicant is a limited liability company, list the names and addresses of the three (3) members owning the largest amounts of ownership interest and the names and addresses of any managers or principal officers. [Attach additional pages if more space is needed]

Nehabem Patel Address GA 31602 Valdosta,

Member Name Address

Member Name Address

Manager Name Address

Manager Name Address

Officer Name Address

Officer Name Address

If the Applicant is any other type of entity or non-natural person, list the names and addresses of all the members of its governing body, officers and others having management, control or dominion over such application.

N/A Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

13. Has the Applicant, any person listed in question 12 above, or any employee of the applicant's establishment ever been convicted of a felony? YES NO

14. Has the Applicant, any person listed in question 12 above, or any employee of the Applicant's establishment been convicted within the previous five (5) years of a misdemeanor or of any other violation involving gambling, the Georgia Controlled Substances Act (or similar laws of another jurisdiction), prostitution, sex offenses, adult entertainment laws, rules or regulations, alcohol control laws, rules or regulations, or offenses involving moral turpitude? YES NO

15. Has the Applicant, any person identified in question 12 above and each employee of Applicant's establishment attach a fully completed and executed consent statement for necessary investigation reports? (see attachment A) YES NO

16. If the establishment for which a license is sought is or was licensed under the Lowndes County Alcohol Ordinance (or any previous ordinances or resolutions pertaining to alcoholic beverages), present details of how the Applicant has or will acquire the establishment, including on what terms and conditions. Further, describe in detail any familial, business, investment, debtor/creditor, or other relationship the Applicant may have or have had during the past three (3) years with the current or former licensee or establishment owner, and in each case with any person identified in question 12 above. (Attach additional pages if more space is needed)

NO - Leasing the Property

NO FAMILY RELATIONSHIP

NO relationship with previous landlord

OR previous store manager/owner

17. Has the individual making this application attached a fully completed and executed affidavit (see attachment B) verifying his or her legal presence in the U.S., and also presented as his or her identification an original of one of the following current and valid "secure and verifiable documents" under D.C.G.A. § 50-35-1: driver's license issued by one of the states or territories of the U.S. or Canada; U.S. or foreign passport; picture I.D. issued by one of the states or territories of the U.S.; U.S. Certificate of Citizenship or Naturalization; or U.S. Permanent Resident Card or Alien Registration Receipt Card? YES NO

18. Is there attached a fully completed and executed affidavit verifying compliance by the Applicant with the federal work authorization program? (see attachment C or D) YES NO

NOTE: The Applicant may be required to submit further information or documentation as requested by the County.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING APPLICATION

Personally, appeared before the undersigned officer duly authorized to administer oaths, the undersigned affiant, who after first being duly sworn, hereby affirms, says and certifies that he/she is the Nehaben Patel of Shree 4946 LLC is authorized to make and execute this application on behalf of the Applicant, and further hereby affirms, says and certifies as to each of the following:

I have read and understand the Lowndes County Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance and will ensure that all employees of the establishment for which licensure is sought will be familiar with the provisions and regulations of that Ordinance.

I will ensure that the establishment for which licensure is sought complies at all times with all applicable laws, rules and regulations of the United States, the State of Georgia and Lowndes County, now in force or which may hereafter be enacted as relates to the sale, distribution, or consumption of alcoholic beverages.

I understand that any license issued is valid for a period of one year, beginning January 1st and expiring December 31st, that no license shall be assignable or transferrable either to a new licensee or for another location, and that no portion of the license fee shall be refunded should the license be revoked during the license year or should the establishment close.

The information, documents and statements made or contained in this Application, or submitted as a part thereof or supplementary thereto is in each case accurate and complete. I further understand that making false or fraudulent statements and/or representations in or with respect to this Application may subject me to criminal and/or civil penalties including a fine and/or imprisonment.

Submitted herewith is the sum of \$ 650.00 (must be a cashier's check, money order, other certified funds, or cash) which includes the license fee for the year, or partial year, plus the administration fee. I understand that, should the Application be denied, I will receive a refund for the license fee only and that the administration fee is non-refundable.

Patel Neha A

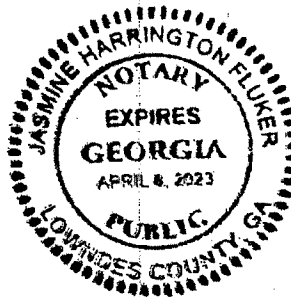
Signature of Individual Making this Application

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10 day of Sept 2021.

Date: 09/10/2021

Jasmine H. Fluker
Notary Public

My commission expires: 04-08-2023



ATTACHMENT B

AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH O.C.G.A. §50-36-1

By executing this affidavit under oath, as an Applicant for an alcoholic beverage license from the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners, the undersigned Applicant verifies one of the following with respect to my application:

- I am a citizen of the United States.
- I am a legal permanent resident of the United States.
- I am a qualified alien or non-immigrant under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act with an alien number issued by the Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency. My alien number is: _____

The undersigned applicant also hereby verifies that he or she is 18 years of age or older and has provided at least one secure and verifiable document, as required by O.C.G.A. §50-36-1, with this affidavit. Form of secure and verifiable document: Driver's Lic GA

In making the above representations under oath, I understand that any person who knowingly and willfully makes a false, fictitious or fraudulent statement, or representation in an affidavit may be guilty of a violation of O.C.G.A. §16-10-20 and face criminal penalties as allowed by such criminal statute.

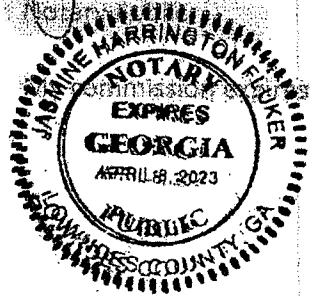
Executed in Wadswa (city), Georgia (state).

Reel Mhu.A
Signature of Applicant

Nshabem Pate J
Printed Name of Applicant

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of Sept, 2021.

Jasmine H. Fluxer



04-08-2023

ATTACHMENT D

AFFIDAVIT OF PRIVATE EMPLOYER OF COMPLIANCE PURSUANT TO O.C.G.A. §36-60-6

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned private employer verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. §36-60-6, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation employs fewer than eleven employees and therefore, is not required to register with and/or utilize the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. §13-10-90.

Patel Nku. A.

Signature of Exempt Private Employer

Nehaben Patel

Printed Name of Exempt Private Employer

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on *Sept 10*, 20*21* in *Unionville* (city), *GA* (state).

Patel Nku. A.

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Nehaben Patel

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *10th* day of *Sept*, 20*21*.

Jasmine H. Fluker
Notary Public

My commission expires: *04-08-2023*



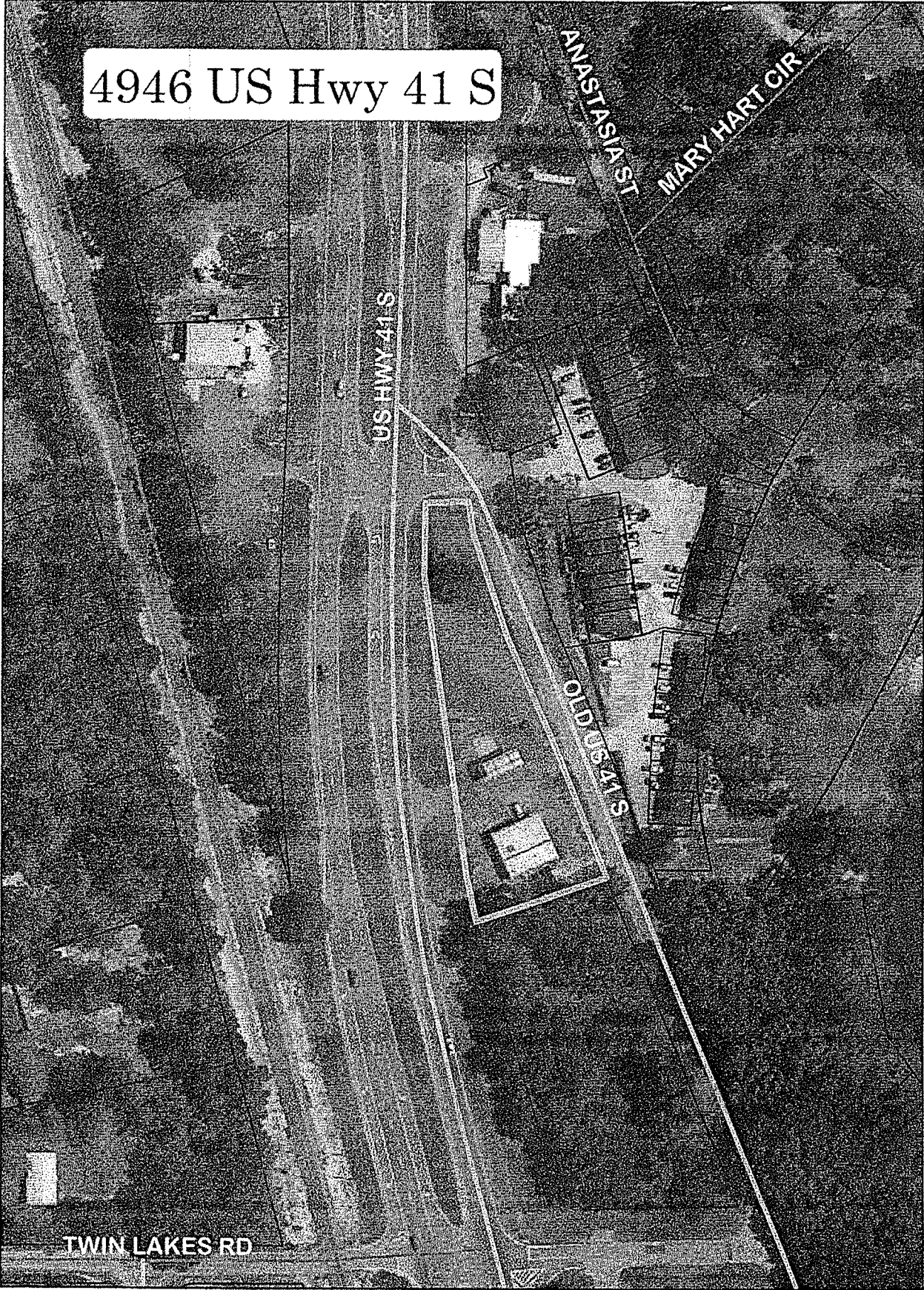
APPENDIX A

FEE AND CHARGES

1. Alcoholic beverage licenses fees shall be as follows:

License	Annual Fee
(a) Retail Dealer -- Off Premises Consumption (Malt Beverages)	<u>\$500.00</u> → 125. ^c
(b) Retail Dealer -- Off Premises Consumption (Wine)	<u>\$500.00</u> + 125. ⁰⁰
(c) Retail Dealer -- Off Premises Consumption (Distilled Spirits)	\$1,075.00
(d) Retail Dealer -- Off Premises Consumption (Sunday Sales)	<u>\$250.00</u>
(e) Retail Consumption Dealer -- Consumption on Premises (Malt Beverages)	\$675.00 ✓
(f) Retail Consumption Dealer -- Consumption on Premises (Wine)	\$675.00 ✓
(g) Retail Consumption Dealer -- Consumption on Premises (Distilled Spirits)	\$3,200.00 ✓
(h) Retail Consumption Dealer -- Consumption on Premises (Sunday Sales)	\$250.00
(i) Wholesaler -- Malt Beverages with warehousing in Lowndes County	\$300.00
(j) Wholesaler -- Malt Beverage without warehousing in Lowndes County	\$100.00
(k) Wholesaler -- Wine with warehousing in Lowndes County	\$300.00
(l) Wholesaler -- Wine without warehousing in Lowndes County	\$100.00
(m) Wholesaler -- Distilled Spirits with warehousing in Lowndes County	\$500.00
(n) Wholesaler -- Distilled Spirits without warehousing in Lowndes County	\$100.00
(o) Alcoholic Beverage Catering License	\$250.00
2. Event Permit (issued to alcoholic beverage caterer licensed by the County)	\$50.00
3. Event Permit (issued to alcoholic beverage caterer licenses by a municipality or county in Georgia other than the County)	\$50.00
4. <u>Administration Fee</u>	<u>\$150.00</u>

4946 US Hwy 41 S



US HWY 41 S

ANASTASIA ST

MARY HART CIR

OLD US 41 S

TWIN LAKES RD

Request for Distance Check

From: Lorraine Taylor Dept: Finance Date: 10-11-21

Contact Info: 229-671-2532 Deadline: Not given 5:00pm

Establishment: Triangle Food Mart Location: 4946 US HWY 41 S.

Nearest School (Name) Lake Park Elementary

School Address: 604 W. Marion Distance: 2 miles

Nearest Church (Name) Seasons Church

Church Address: 4878 US HWY 41 South Distance: 1,088 Ft

Officer Assigned: Barley Date: 10-12-21

Signature: X [Handwritten Signature]

Report Submitted Via: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Scan/ Email _____ Faxed _____ Inner Office _____ Pers. Deliver _____

Comments: _____