

Scenario # 1

Antonio's Lounge and Tea Room has applied for a liquor license located at #1 on the attached map. It is zoned C-2 along with the rest of the small stores along this block. No one opposes the application which is until 2:00 a.m. The neighborhood does not know anything about the people who have bought this spot, it has been vacant for two years, and they choose to be supportive of businesses in the neighborhood. A 2:00 a.m. liquor license is granted and the business opens. Antonio's serves food until around 10:00 p.m. and then they have various music venues, some live and some with DJ's. Each night is a different theme.

The owner comes to the Riverwood Neighborhood Association and wants to remain open until 4:00 a.m. The owner states that by the time they remove the tables and begin the music, they don't have enough time to make the money needed to pay the DJ and/or live music from their sales. She wants the association's support in this.

The neighborhood association has a long history of voicing their opposition to 4:00 a.m. closings. The members express this and show where in the past they have opposed 4:00 a.m. closings in the commercial corridor as shown on the map. (#2) They have written letters and they are on file against the 4:00 a.m. closings. The association votes to oppose this 4:00 a.m. extension and writes the attached letter. They express concern for the noise into the neighborhood, the residential character of the neighborhood, and the concern of litter.

The IPL who is in charge of liquor licenses supports the neighborhood association and denies the extension. The business owner appeals to Frankfort.

What are the options for what might happen next?