



# City of Norman, OK

Municipal Building Council  
Chambers  
201 West Gray Street  
Norman, OK 73069

## Text File

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Title

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. O-1213-10 UPON FIRST READING BY TITLE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING SECTION 460 OF CHAPTER 22 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORMAN SO AS TO GRANT SPECIAL USE FOR A BAR, LOUNGE OR TAVERN FOR PROPERTY CURRENTLY ZONED C-3, INTENSIVE COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, LOCATED AT 113 NORTH CRAWFORD AVENUE; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF.

ACTION NEEDED: Motion to Introduce and adopt Ordinance No. O-1213-10 upon First Reading by title.

ACTION TAKEN: \_\_\_\_\_

Body

**BACKGROUND:** The applicants, Andy and Marian Nunez, run an establishment in the downtown area called Opolis. In 2002 Opolis applied for and was granted a Special Use for a Nightclub so they could host artists to show and perform visual and multi-media art, including music; i.e., live entertainment. The applicants have been licensed to serve beer at the establishment since 2002. They now request approval for the addition of alcohol to their business. To serve alcohol the applicants must request and receive approval for a Special Use for a Bar within the C-3 zoning district.

**DISCUSSION:** Granting of this request should not impact any of the neighbors as this establishment has been in operation for many years, just without the bar element. The proposed use of this facility fits with the neighborhood/downtown area. The majority of uses surrounding this particular facility are commercial businesses, which are predominantly daytime occupancies. As with other downtown businesses which are zoned C-3, there is no on-site parking required. Crawford Street does have some on-street parallel parking and a nearby parking lot is available for night use.

**RECOMMENDATION:** This request is a minor change to the existing use. The applicants are not requesting any additional square footage so the occupant load will stay the same. Other than the permission to serve alcohol, the use of this facility will not change. There will be no additional impacts on adjacent properties. Staff supports this request for Special Use for a Bar, Lounge or Tavern. At their meeting of September 13, 2012, the Planning Commission, by a vote of 7-0, recommended adoption of this Special Use.