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Memorandum

DATE: May 8, 2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Jackie Bryant, City Manager
Ashley Turney, Assistant City Manager

FROM: Lance Ferrato, Director

DEPT: Business Licensing Department

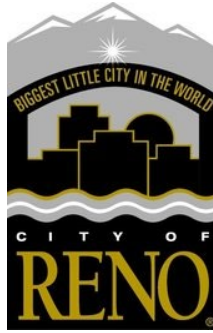
SUBJECT: Eden Management Group LLC, dba Two One Nine – Show Cause Hearing

On April 30, 2025, notice of an order to show cause was issued to Eden Management Group LLC, dba Two One Nine. Based upon information reported by the Reno Police Department, Reno Code Enforcement, and Northern Nevada Public Health (notice and memorandums attached), the licensees were ordered to appear before an Administrative Hearing Officer to show cause, if any, as to why the above referenced business licenses should not be revoked.

On May 6, 2025, a hearing was scheduled to review the City’s request to revoke Two One Nine’s business licenses; however, at that hearing, the licensees requested a continuance based on the desire to enlist counsel, which was granted (order attached). The hearing is now scheduled for May 27, 2025.

Staff will provide additional information to Council as it becomes available.

*Attachments: Notice of Hearing and Memorandums dated April 30, 2025
Administrative Hearing Order to Continue dated May 6, 2025*



Lance Ferrato
Director of Business Licensing
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Business Licensing Department
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Reno, NV 89505

April 30, 2025

Eden Management Group LLC dba Two One Nine
Attn: Wolfgang Welch
219 West 2nd Street
Reno, NV 89501

Physical Location
219 West 2nd Street
Reno, NV 89501

***Re: Order to Show Cause Hearing for Possible Revocation
License Numbers: R158603A-LIC and R158604Q-LIC
Licensees: Wolfgang Welch and Griffin Brown***

Dear Licensees:

On behalf of the City of Reno (“City”), notice is hereby given that you are requested and required to appear before an Administrative Hearing Officer to show cause, if any, as to why the above referenced business licenses issued under Reno Municipal Code (“RMC”) Title 4 and Title 5 should not be revoked.

This action is taken as the result of the information provided in the attached memorandums issued by the Reno Police Department, the Reno Code Enforcement Department, and Northern Nevada Public Health. As noted, the memorandums detail various violations occurring on and connected to the business and business property.

Consequently, the City has scheduled a hearing before an Administrative Hearing Officer as to why your business license should not be revoked. **The hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom.** You will receive an email regarding your Zoom link at wolfgangwelch@me.com. (Please be sure to check your junk or spam folders.) If you fail to appear at the hearing, the Administrative Hearing Officer may still act on the City’s request to revoke or suspend your license. The hearing will be electronically sound recorded.

This administrative action is brought by the City pursuant to RMC Sec. 4.04.190 and does not preclude the possibility of additional or different action by the City or other agencies under any ordinance, law, or regulation. RMC is available for review at the City Clerk's office or online at: <https://library.municode.com/nv/reno>. Nevada Revised Statutes are available for review at www.leg.state.nv.us.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,



Lance Ferrato
Director of Business Licensing

cc: Jerel Hallert, Captain, Reno Police Department
Oliver Miller, Assistant Chief, Reno Police Department
Frank Perez, Senior Code Enforcement Officer, Code Enforcement Department
James English, Environmental Health Services Supervisor, Northern Nevada Public Health
Ashley Turney, Assistant City Manager
Brian Sooudi, Deputy City Attorney
Mikki Huntsman, City Clerk

*Attachments: Reno Police Department Memorandum dated April 29, 2025
Reno Code Enforcement Department Memorandum dated April 28, 2025
Northern Nevada Public Health Memorandum dated April 24, 2025*



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DATE: April 29th, 2025
TO: City of Reno Business Licensing
THROUGH: Chief of Police Kathryn Nance
FROM: Captain Jerel Hallert
DEPT: Reno Police Department
SUBJECT: Request for Revocation Hearing for Club Two One Nine

Summary of Business License Suspension and Security Concerns at Two One Nine (formerly Eden)

In September of 2024, the Reno Police Department, in coordination with other City of Reno Departments, submitted a formal memorandum recommending the revocation of Eden Management Group LLC dba Eden (“Eden”) business license. This action was initiated following a marked increase in incidents and complaints in the 200 block of West 2nd Street over an eight-month period. The frequency and severity of incidents necessitated enhanced law enforcement presence, including additional patrols, surveillance operations, and resource deployment, aimed at improving public safety and quality of life in the downtown nightlife district.

During this period, Eden was identified as the primary location associated with criminal activity ranging from misdemeanors to violent offenses, including battery with a deadly weapon. As a result, an Administrative Hearing Officer suspended Eden’s business license on September 22, 2025. The suspension was the outcome of a multi-month Show Cause Hearing process. During this time, the nightclub's ownership was required to comply with directives from various City entities, including Code Enforcement, Business Licensing, and the Reno Police Department. The establishment subsequently reopened under the name Two One Nine on January 24, 2025, at the same location.

As part of the reopening conditions, Two One Nine was mandated to develop and implement a comprehensive security manual focused on ensuring patron and community safety both within and around the premises. A key component of the approved security plan was the revision of the club’s weapons screening procedures, including mandatory pat-down searches, use of metal-

detecting wands, and bag checks. This element was deemed critical to enhancing public safety and preventing future incidents.

Despite these measures, the Reno Police Department received multiple complaints alleging that patrons at Two One Nine were armed. The following are incidents and crimes documented by the Reno Police Department:

CASE #: 25-6105 – BATTERY WITH A DEADLY WEAPON – MARCH 30, 2025

At approximately 02:36 AM on March 30th, 2025, officers responded to a report of a shooting at Two One Nine. Upon arrival, they discovered a shooting had occurred between a group of females who were escorted out of Two One Nine for a disturbance and onto the very busy 2nd Street sidewalk.

Investigation revealed that several females were escorted out of Two One Nine by security. Within 10-15 seconds of the group being escorted, a fight ensues and one of the females fired several rounds from a handgun striking the victim. The victim immediately went to Renown for medical treatment prior to Police arrival.

Surveillance footage confirmed that the suspect had the firearm in her purse when she exited the club. Based on the video depicting this incident, the firearm was brought into the club in violation of their security plan. The suspect was in possession of the firearm or obtained the firearm while inside Two One Nine. The attire worn by the parties involved would have made concealment outside of a bag or purse extremely unlikely. This is in direct conflict with the stipulations on page 5 of the security manual created by Two One Nine management.

2ND STREET BAR OPERATION – APRIL 4-5, 2025

On April 4 and 5, 2025, the Reno Police Department conducted a two-night operation following the shooting incident at Two One Nine. April 4, 2025, was primarily a night of education to bar patrons in the area. On April 5, 2025, a targeted enforcement approach was conducted. During this operation, the Reno Police Department had the following enforcement numbers: 3 Felony Arrests (1 Ex Felon in possession of a firearm), 3 misdemeanor arrests, 95 warnings, 15 citations, 11 parking citations, and 20 traffic stops. Of note, during the time Two One Nine was closed there was not a public safety need to conduct enforcement operations because of criminal activity.

2ND STREET BAR UNDERCOVER OPERATION (SAFETY AND SECURITY) - APRIL 19, 2025

The Reno Police Department conducted a compliance operation to assess Two One Nine's adherence to its approved security procedures. On April 19, 2025, a plainclothes detective from the Regional Crime Suppression Unit conducted an inspection of security screening and searches. During this inspection, a male detective carrying a concealed firearm was admitted after only a limited search of his waistline. Neither a pat-down nor metal detection via hand-held wand was performed, which is in direct conflict with the stipulations on page 5 of the security manual created by Two One Nine management.

ENF25-C02382 COMPLAINT

The Reno Police Department also received a complaint about the business detailing an ongoing pattern of disturbances and incidents of violence and firearm possession. The complainant stated that this is an ongoing pattern of behavior since the reopening of the bar on January 24, 2025. Full details of the complaint are attached.

Two One Nine's lack of adherence to the agreed upon security plan puts patrons, visitors, officers, and other members of the community at risk. The failure to conduct appropriate searches, as outlined in the Two One Nine Security Manual (see page 5), raises significant concerns regarding the enforcement of agreed-upon safety measures and the ongoing risk to public safety.

The proper search methods approved by the Reno Police Department as part of the reopening are listed on page 5 of the Two One Nine Security manual and states:

Metal Detectors/Pat Downs - Metal detectors will be used to scan all female patrons as well a search of their purses or bags. Pat downs will be conducted on all male patrons as a search of their bags if this applies. We will prohibit any beverage, they can either dump it or give it to staff to secure and the patron can retrieve it upon exiting the space. Any prohibited contraband, such as knives, mace, lighters, or anything that be used to cause harm will be confiscated, and returned upon exiting. Any definition of a gun will be strictly prohibited but will not be confiscated. Patrons will have to secure that weapon before being allowed to enter.

Although the ownership of Two One Nine was receptive and willing to make improvements and changes, there is an inability through both ownership and management to safely and effectively follow needed protocols for the safety of the public.

RECOMMENDATION:

A Show Cause Hearing is being requested for the revocation of Two One Nine's business license. The criminal activity directly correlated to their business, their employees and patrons has created a negative impact on public safety and welfare of all citizens.



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DATE: April 28th, 2025
TO: Assistant City Manager Ashley Turney
FROM: Senior Code Enforcement Officer Frank Perez
DEPT: Code Enforcement Department
SUBJECT: 219 W. 2nd St. Active Code Enforcement Cases

Presently, there are two active code enforcement cases on the property at 219 W. 2nd Street:

April 23, 2025, Citation issued for Sign structure in disrepair and fowl nuisance conditions.
Case ENF25-P02839. Status Active
1st Admin Citation on 4/23/25
\$232.00 Total owed

April 9, 2025, Courtesy letter issued for an accumulation of litter, debris, and graffiti on the property.
Case # ENF25-C02717. Status Active. Re-inspection scheduled for 4/29/2025.
Courtesy Letter on 4/10/2025

Other notable items associated with the business and/or business property:

Violations of Special Use Permit

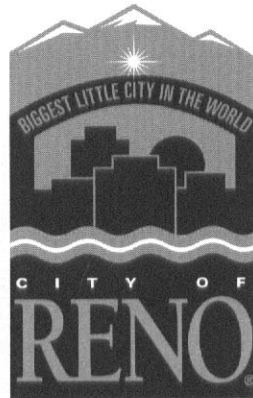
Inspections of Two One Nine have revealed several violations of the Special Use Permit (SUP) that was originally approved on October 2, 2014 (attached). The SUP, LDC15-00015, was originally for Singer Social Club; however, SUP's are assigned to the parcel therefore the conditions do not change even though ownership may.

ENF25-C02382 Complaint

The City also received a complaint (attached) on March 5, 2025, detailing an ongoing pattern of disturbances and incidents of violence and firearm possession at the business. The complainant stated that this is an ongoing pattern of behavior since the reopening of the bar on January 24, 2025.

*Attachments: Special Use Permit - LDC15-00015
Complaint received March 5, 2025*

Claudia C. Hanson, AICP
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(775) 334-2381



October 2, 2014

Brett Silva
219 W. Second Street
Reno, NV 89501

Subject: LDC15-00015 (Singer Social Club)
APN No. 011-031-06 through 08

Dear Applicant:

At the regular meeting of the Planning Commission on October 1, 2014, the Planning Commission approved your request for a special use permit to establish a nightclub in an existing $\pm 2,300$ square foot building in the Mixed Use/Downtown Reno Regional Center/Entertainment (MU/DRRC/ENT) zoning districts. The $\pm .32$ acre site is located on the northwest corner of the West Street and West 2nd Street intersection (219 West 2nd Street). The site has a Master Plan land use designation of Special Planning Area/Downtown Reno Regional Center Plan/Entertainment District.

Your approved request is subject to the following conditions:

1. The project shall comply with all applicable City codes, plans, reports, materials, etc., as submitted. In the event of a conflict between said plans, reports, materials and City codes, City codes in effect at the time the application is submitted, shall prevail.
2. The applicant shall apply for all building permits for the project and/or obtain a business license for the nightclub within 18 months from the date of final approval, and continuously maintain the validity of those permits, or this approval shall be null and void.
3. Prior to issuance of any building permit and/or business license, the applicant shall attach a copy of the final approval letter.
4. The applicant, developer, builder, property or business owner, as applicable, shall continuously maintain a copy of this approval letter on the project site during the construction and/or operation of the business. The project approval letter shall be posted or readily available upon demand by City staff.

5. Operational noise levels, including intermittent noise, shall not exceed 65 decibels at the exterior of the building.
6. Prior to the issuance of a business license, the sound curtain described in application materials shall be installed to address intermittent noise. Doors and windows of the club shall be closed during any nightclub operation and between 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.
7. Prior to the issuance of a business license, cameras shall be installed and continuously maintained on the inside and outside of the establishment as illustrated in the application materials.
8. Nightclub operations shall adhere to the Security Plan submitted in the application materials. The described "No Trespassing" sign shall be installed prior to the issuance of a business license. The nightclub proprietor shall continuously maintain and enforce this plan for the life of this special use permit.
9. An outside ashtray shall be made available during business hours for cigarette butts. Sweeping and pick up of any trash around site perimeter shall be required at close of business each day.
10. If a line is required to extend outside of the primary entrance, the nightclub proprietor shall maintain an orderly queue line using stanchion control devices. This line must be sufficient to ensure clear pedestrian sidewalk access.
11. Prior to issuance of a business license, the doorway on the west side of the building shall be replaced with an insulated steel door.
12. Prior to issuance of a business license, the existing trash enclosure shall be adequately screened.
13. Prior to issuance of a business license, the applicant shall have a photometric plan approved demonstrating that the parking lot will be lit to current code standards during nighttime hours of operation per RMC 18.12.1105(h)(5) "Lighting" and RMC 18.12.1302 "Lighting Features." Alleyway lighting, as illustrated in the application materials, shall be code compliant and operational during evening business hours. All lighting shall be installed prior to issuance of a business license.
14. Prior to the issuance of a business license, site circulation design, traffic devices and operational characteristics of the project driveway, onsite drive aisles and parking areas shall meet with the approval of the Community Development Department. The existing onsite drive aisles shall be demonstrated to

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accommodate two-way traffic. Appropriate signage and pavement markings shall be installed for the existing divided driveway depicting the "Entrance" and "Exit" only conditions.

15. The freestanding sign located on the southeast corner of the project site shall be utilized with permanent copy installed or the sign shall be removed within six months of the issuance of a business license.

The decision of the Planning Commission may be appealed by completing an appeal form and filing it with the City Clerk and paying any fee within ten (10) days of the date of the meeting at which the decision was made. The City Clerk shall set the appeal for public hearing before the City Council and mail a notice of the hearing to the appellant and all others who were mailed a notice of the hearing of the Planning Commission. Appeals may be filed by any person who is aggrieved by the decision. The City Council may affirm, reverse, or modify the decision.

In the absence of an appeal, no building permit may be issued until this letter has been on file with the City Clerk for ten (10) days.

This approval letter has not been issued in lieu of a building permit. You are responsible for obtaining the appropriate building permits associated with this project and a copy of this letter must be attached to the application.

Sincerely,



Claudia C. Hanson, AICP, Planning and Housing Manager
Community Development Department

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xc: Riverwalk Development LLC
Attn: Chaim Freeman
117 N Fuller Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90068

Lynnette Jones, City Clerk
William J. Gall, P.E., Senior Civil Engineer
Gary Warren, Washoe County Tax Assessor

To Whom it may concern,

This complaint is about Public Safety and Nuisance in our Community.

Subject: 219 West 2nd Street (Nightclub)

After being shut down for approximately 90 Days for repeated Public Safety and Code Violations in their first year of operations, "Eden Lounge" reopened on January 24, 2025 with the expectations that things would change for the better. They have not.

REOPENING -WEEK 1

-On their reopening 1/24 Friday there were 3 separate occasions that the Police were at the location. I also observed pushing and shoving at the front door of 219 between door staff and patrons

-On 1/26 Sunday Morning approx. 4:15 AM there was a fight which came out of the front door of 219 and across the street. Police were called and one was arrested. (I have some video of the incident)

WEEK 2

-On Friday 1/30 at approximately 11:05PM a gang of people (blue sweatshirt specifically) had a gun, and was calling out a 219 customer, looking to fight. Lots of yelling and taunting but no action resulted. (I have some video of the incident)

3:49 AM fight came out of 219 into their parking lot. I could not see the results from my location

5:21 Police, Ambulance and Fire responded to a fight from 219. Customers blocked the sidewalk, where the public could not pass.

-On Saturday 2/1 (Sunday at approximately 4:09 AM a HMA who was hanging around 219 with a gun was waving the gun, threatening to shoot it, in front of Tonic Lounge, and telling our doorman that if we didn't get everybody that was in line for Tonic inside, he'd start shooting. We had complied with the gunmans demand, and I let approximately 15 people inside immediately, and locked the front door. I called 911, and then sent our front door staff to the back door to monitor ins and outs from there, Police responded, but the HMA drove off with another male in a blue hatchback AWD vehicle. Since there was no victim, the Police let the situation go. I gave video of the event to RPD.

WEEK 3

-On Friday 2/7 (Saturday Morning 2/8>>>at 4:31AM there was a fight at the front door of 219. The fight continued for a few minutes I have 2 videos of this incident

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-Saturday 2/8(Sunday Morning 2/9 at approximately 3:56 AM there was a brawl in the street coming out of 219. I have video of the incident.

Approximately 4:21 RPD appeared in their parking lot

WEEK 4

-On Friday 2/14 I complained to Reno Direct, of the overflowing trash and construction residue that was starting to block the alley access. I have a picture of this)

At approximately 4:46 Police were double parked on W 2nd street with lights on, watching 219 for about 30 minutes. (I have video of this)

At approximately 5:20 there was a fight in front of 219.

-Saturday 2/15 (Sunday Morning) 2:18 AM a female was trying to fight in front of 219. Her male friend physically removes her and took her to the Arlington Towers Parking lot.(I have video)

At 2:48am the same girl in the pink top returns waiting for the other party from 219, to fight. (I have video)

WEEK 5

-On Friday 2/21(Saturday Morning at approximately 2:44am a fight out of 219 spills out into the street and then one of the two parties goes right back into 219. (I have video)

3:58 Four Police units respond to 219 (I have video)

-On Saturday 2/22 (Sunday Morning at 1:04 AM a 6 person fight came out of 219 right in front of a passing police car. Police responded. (I have video)

2:36am Police @ 219 (I have video)

WEEK 6

-On Friday 2/28 approximately 4:10AM a 20 person brawl came out of 219 onto the street. This continues for quite a while. Reno PD arrived at 4:19AM The fighting continued Ambulance and 5 Police cars arrived.

4:54AM 3 Police cars and an ambulance arrived in the Arlington Towers Parking lot in a continuation of the 219 fight. (I have 9 videos of this altercation, but I started filming late because I was working inside Tonic)

-On Saturday 3/1 (Sunday Morning) 4:07AM I noticed people blocking the sidewalk and a Hot Dog Vendor among the crowd. Not safe for people to pass by.

At approximately 5:18AM a fight came out of 219 and spilled out into the street. I have video.

Police did not respond to this altercation.

My complaint is that EVERY SINGLE NIGHT that 219 has been open, there has been at least one fight. Many of these combatants have weapons (specifically guns)

This is a public safety hazard!

This is taking up too many Police/ Fire / Ambulance resources!

This is not good for the image of Reno, or the Entertainment district!

The 219 customers are blocking the sidewalk, and keeping my business from getting business, as the people cannot and will not pass through that mess.

I AM AGAIN ASKING THAT THE CITY SHUT THIS BUSINESS DOWN, AND PULL THEIR LICENSE. IT IS A NUISANCE, AND PUBLIC SAFETY HAZARD.

Please do this before someone gets killed.

I am also requesting that you share this report with Mayor Schieve, Chief Nance, City Council, City Manager, Business Licensing, Fire Chief, and City Attorney

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Marshall Stevenson

Tonic Lounge Inc.

MEMORANDUM

To: City of Reno Business License Department

From: James English, EHS Supervisor, NNPH

CC: Eden Health Permit File #
Jerel Hallert, Captain, Reno Police Department
Zach Cheer, Code Enforcement Officer, City of Reno

Date: April 24, 2025

Re: 219 W 2nd Street, former Eden Night Club, R158603A-LIC, R158604Q, 219 W 2nd Street Reno Nevada 89501; Northern Nevada Public Health Permit #H23-0482FOOD

On January 23, 2025, Environmental Health Services Staff (EHS) conducted a walk through of the former Eden nightclub as part of their approval to reopen and as part of their interior remodel with various City of Reno Departments. The owners were provided with a list of items needing to be addressed related to health items. Additionally, it was requested that the ownership update the contact information and ownership information for the health permit to operate. This request was also made on December 27, 2024.

EHS staff have not completed a routine inspection regarding the nightclub since the walkthrough on January 23, 2025, as we have been trying to coordinate with the City of Reno for this after-hours inspection. Yet it is noted the ownership has yet to update any of the permit contact information as requested. Therefore, it is unclear to the Health District who the responsible owners/operators are for this establishment.

On April 10, 2025, EHS received a complaint regarding overflowing garbage and waste at 219 W 2nd Street, photos of the enclosure were taken on April 11, 2025, and an email was sent to Wolfgang Welch showing the violations and noting Waste Management, Inc. had noted the same issues in March of 2025. The email gave Mr. Welch 48 hours to address the issue. Additionally, in that email EHS again asked Mr. Welch to update contact information regarding the health permit to operate, which to this date has not occurred. It is noted the waste issues were addressed and the Health District complaint #WCMP25-00386 has been closed.

No routine inspections have been conducted at this facility since Mr. Welch received a health permit. Spot checks have been conducted during beer crawl events as part of the City of Reno CSAST operations which have resulted in EHS staff noting violations associated with handwashing, scoops and touching drink garnish with bare hands. These items were verbally addressed with bartenders present at the time of the operational checks.

No routine was conducted in 2024 in part because of the ongoing compliance issues and extended closure of the night club during that year.

Please contact me directly if you have any questions regarding this memo or anything further regarding this matter. I can best be reached via email at jenglish@nnph.org