

Kenai Peninsula Borough  
Planning Department

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Johni Blankenship, Borough Clerk  
**THRU:** Marcus Mueller, Acting Planning Director   
**FROM:** Julie Hindman, Platting Specialist   
**DATE:** July 23, 2020  
**RE:** Small Town Coffee Roasters New Liquor License Application

As requested, the Planning Department reviewed Small Town Coffee Roasters new liquor license application to determine if churches or schools are within 500 feet (KPB 7.10.020).

A 500-foot radius search was done for KPB Parcel 055-661-75, 43335 Kalifornsky Beach Road, Soldotna. Staff reviewed the application and looked for institutional uses within the 500-foot buffer. Per KPB records, no schools or churches are within the 500-foot buffer.

This application is for a business located on a commercial lot. This lot contains multiple buildings that rent and lease space to various types of businesses. IDEA Homeschool is located at 43335 Kalifornsky Beach Road #31, Soldotna and is within 500 feet of the application location.

A planning staff member did work with a potential marijuana retail owner that was considering moving into one of the available spaces in the complex. Staff let them know that they would not support the site due to its proximity to IDEA Homeschool and the owner opted for a different location.

KPB Code does not define school nor is it defined within AS 04.11. There are multiple businesses in the area that have liquor licenses that have not been protested in the past. One of those licenses is next door to this applicant.