# Taking Homebrewing to the Pro Level:

From Concept and Design
Thru Opening

# **Panelists Perspectives**

### Kelsey McNair

➤ In progress of opening North Park Beer Company

### **Dustin Hauck**

> Architect for many startup breweries

### **Curtis Chism**

➤ Owner of 1 year old Council Brewing

### **Paul Sangster**

> Owner of 2.5 year old Rip Current Brewing



# **Kelsey McNair**

- Decorated homebrewer
  - 2010 Stone Brewing AHA Rally Champion
  - 5 NHC 2<sup>nd</sup> Round medals (4 for IPA category!)
  - Over 60 medals earned in 17 BJCP categories
  - Certified BJCP Judge
- Owner & Brewmaster of North Park Beer Company
- Successfully raised \$1,500,000 in private equity funds
- Projected to open in January 2016





## T. Dustin Hauck

#### HAUCK ARCHITECTURE

- President of Hauck Architecture
- Avid home brewer since 1991 & member of QUAFF since 2004
- Architect for over 30 craft beer projects.
  - Including: Rip Current North Park, Council Brewing Co., Fall Brewing Co., Benchmark Brewing and the upcoming North Park Beer Co.
- Services: Feasibility Studies, Planning, Architecture, Engineering, Interior Design and Permitting
- Experience with building codes and governmental regulations affecting brewery projects





## **Curtis Chism**

### **COUNCIL BREWING COMPANY**

- Co-Owner of Council Brewing Company
- Opened Council Brewing in May 2014
- Avid, award winning home brewer since 2011; AHA member since 2011 & QUAFF member since 2012.
- Certified BJCP Judge





# **Paul Sangster**

- Award winning homebrewer
  - ➤ Won medal in all 23 BJCP categories
  - > 2011 CA Homebrewer of the Year
  - > 2011 NHC Ninkasi award winner
  - Master BJCP Judge
- Co-owner, Brewmaster for Rip Current Brewing
- Rip Current opened in December of 2012
- Now has a 2<sup>nd</sup> location in North Park



# **Kelsey McNair**

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## A Brewery is a Business

- Brewery Business Model
- Business Plan/Pro Forma Cash Flows
- Legal Entity Structures
- Capital Needs
- Lease Commercial Space
- Licensing & Permits
- Equipment



## **Brewery Business Models**

- Nano
  - OTC sales model
- Production
  - Packaging & Distribution
  - Tasting Room
- Hybrid
- Brewpub
  - Brewery + restaurant = 2 businesses in 1



## **Business Plan & Pitch Deck**

#### Business Plan

- Who you are, what you want to do, where you want to do it, and why should someone invest in it?
- Describe Business Model
- 3-5 years of pro forma cash flow projections
- Pitch Deck (if raising money)
  - 8-12 slides, abridged version of Business Plan
  - Tell your great story while sharing your beer!



## **Business Plan & Pitch Deck**

Annex A - Business Plan for: K. A. McNair Brewing Company, LLC

# NORTH PARK BEER CO



**BUSINESS PLAN AUGUST 2014** 

"Our Mission: To craft impeccable ales and lagers from a foundation of award-winning brewing experience, using the finest ingredients, time honored tradition, and modern innovation."

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# Create a Legal Entity

- Get guidance from your CPA/Tax Accountant
- Hire Corporate Attorney
  - Create Legal Entity
    - Sole Proprietorship
    - Partnership
    - Limited Liability Company (LLC)
    - S-Corporation
    - C-Corporation
- Create Private Offering (if raising money)



# Raising Capital

- Prospectus Documents
  - Term Sheet or Private Placement Memo "PPM"
  - Legal disclosures and terms including return of capital/return on capital mechanics, exit strategy?
- Who to fish for?
  - Friends, Family & Fools
  - Accredited Investors (angel, not venture capitalist)
- SEC Rules General Solicitation is NOT allowed!
- Crowdfunding?



# **Leasing Commercial Space**

#### Site Selection

- Does it fit your business model?
- Do all applicable building codes work for type of use?

### Hire a good broker

"Brokers are snakes, you need your own snake"

### Submit LOI (letter of intent)

- Iron out high level terms, could take days or months
  - Lease rate, abatement, duration, options, TI allowances
- License Contingency!
- Get 3 in play at once for leverage

#### Lease

- Hire real estate attorney
- Ensure LOI terms translate into the lease agreement



# Licensing & Compliance

- Federal Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB)
  - 120-180 days via online application
  - Background check/qualification
- State Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC)
  - Each state is different, 6-9+ months in California
  - Can be subject to protests (Vice & Nearby residents)
- Licensing Attorney/Consultant
  - Files ABC/TTB applications for you
  - Represents you if unresolved protests lead to hearing
- Special Case Permits
  - Conditional Use Permit
  - Quasi-authority groups



# **Brewing Equipment**

#### New

- Long lead times
- You get to specify the configuration

#### Used

- Mileage
- High demand
- Work with someone else's specifications

#### Boil mechanics

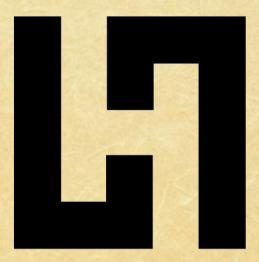
- Direct fired
- Steam
- Calandria

### Glycol system

- Plan to expand!
- Insulated piping



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# **Brewery Project Planning**

- Business Model
- Zoning
- Utilities
- Layout & Design
- Permits
- Construction





## **Business Model**

### Define the space you are looking for.

- What type of brewery are you?
   Production vs. Tap Room or Both
- Production Volume
  - 2 BBLs per Square Foot
- % to Distribution vs. In-House Sales
- Packaging: Canning vs Bottling
- Cellaring
  - Brite Tanks: Jacketed or in Cold Box
  - Space for Barrels and/or Fouders
- Considerations for Growth / Expansion

#### **Brewery Annual Production**

30 BBL Brew House

x 11 Brew Sessions per Week x 50 Weeks per Year = 16,500 BBLs / year = 8,250 Square Feet Minimum

75% Ales = 12,375 BBLs / year 25% Lagers = 4,125 BBLs / year

90 BBL Fermenters = 3 Brews Per Fermenter

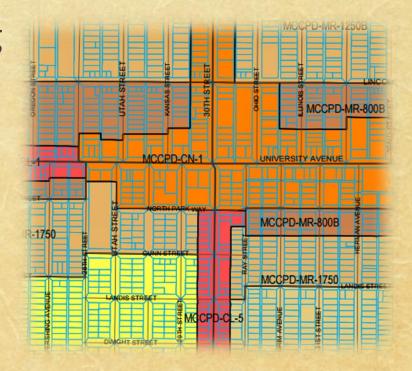
BBLs per year / Brewhouse x Cycles per Year
Ales: 16,500 BBLs / 30 BBL x 25 = 6 Fermenters
Lagers: 16,500 BBLs / 12.5 x 25= 4 Fermenters
= 10 Fermenters Total



# Zoning

### What neighborhood should you be looking in?

- Where is Light Manufacturing allowed by right?
- Is a Use Permit required?
- Parking
- Proximity to Schools
- Public Opposition
- Are there restrictions in a zone that may limit Growth or Expansion





## **Utilities**

- Water
  - 20 Gallons per Minute (GPM)
  - 1" water line preferred
  - Sub-meter for brew house water
- Is Natural Gas Available?
  - 2.5" to 3"
  - High Pressure vs. Low Pressure
    - Depends on your equipment
  - Distance from the meter



- Electrical
  - 220 V vs 480 V
  - 400 AMP (with potential for additional capacity)
  - Distance to the Main Electrical Room
- Wastewater
  - Sanitary Sewer Location, Depth, Size (4" min), & Direction of Flow
  - Is Wastewater Treatment required by your local municipality?
- Fire Sprinklers







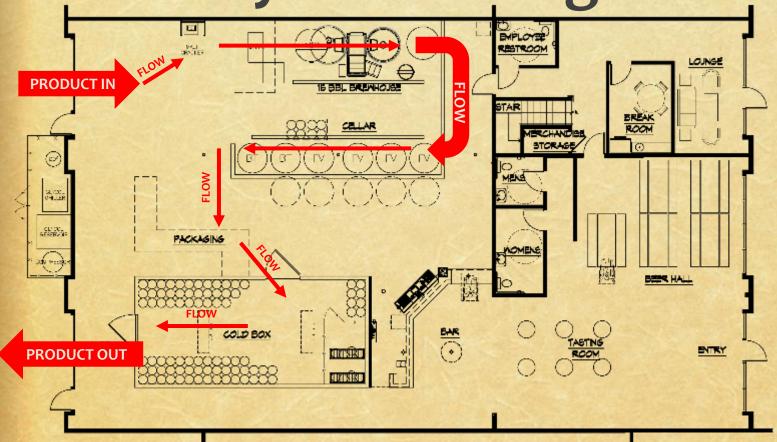
# Layout & Design

- Product Flow
- Equipment
  - Glycol
  - + CO2
  - Boiler
  - Clean In Place (CIP)
- Grain (Fresh & Spent)
- Brew House
- Fermentation
- Cellar
- Cold Box

- Packaging
- Distribution
- Lab & Office
- Growth / Expansion
- Inventory
- Tasting Room
  - Customer Experience
  - View
  - Tours
  - Capacity
  - Retail Sales
  - Food



Layout & Design





### **Permits**

- Building Department
  - Building
  - Structural
  - Mechanical
  - Plumbing
  - Electrical
  - Zoning / Planning
  - Engineering
- Licensing
  - ABC
  - TTB



- Additional AHJs
  - Department of Environmental Health
  - Industrial Waste
  - Food Establishment Waste Discharge (FEWD)
  - Water / Wastewater
  - Air Pollution Control District (APCD)
  - Industrial Storm Water
     General Permit



## Construction

- Selecting a Contractor
- Project Management
- Budget
- 10%+ Contingency
- Submittal Review
- Inspections





## **Curtis Chism**



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# **Council Brewing Company**

- 3 BBL Nano-Brewery
- Opened May 2014
- Produced 345 BBL's in 1st Year
- On pace for over 1,000 BBL's in 2<sup>nd</sup> Year with Beatitude Tart Saison cellar expansion
- 60 Oak Barrels in Barrel Program
- Currently Sell Most of our Beer through our Tasting Room



# Opening a Brewery On a Shoestring Budget



Our Space Pre-Build Out



Prepping the Floor



Prepping the Floor



# Opening a Brewery On a Shoestring Budget



Liz & Curtis



**Building the Bar Top** 



Finished Floor



Finished Bar Top



# Opening a Brewery On a Shoestring Budget



3 BBL Brewhouse



3 BBL Fermenters in Chamber



**Finished Tasting Room** 



**Tasting Room** 





Barrel Aged Sour Beer Released in 1st Year

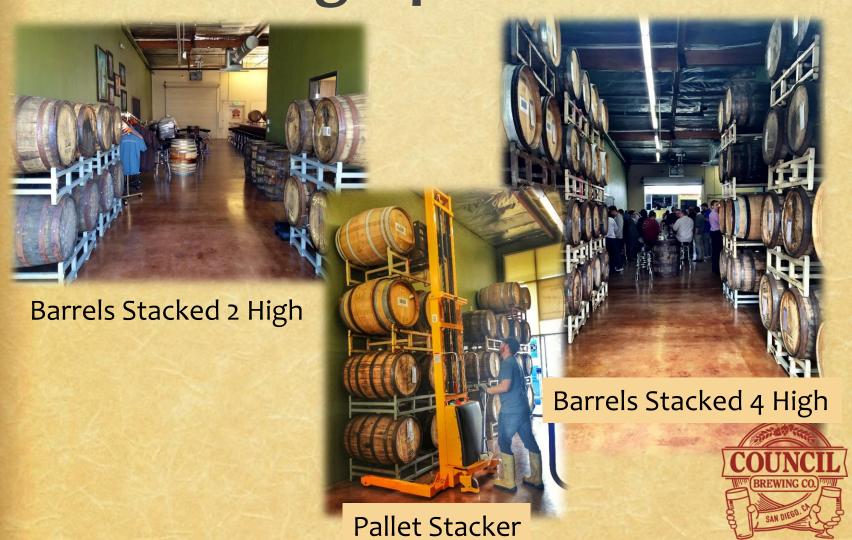




**Bottling the Hard Way** 



Bottling the Easier Way











The Beatitude Bottle Line Up



# **Paul Sangster**



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# Rip Current Brewing

- 15bbl Premier Stainless brewhouse and cellar
- Fermenters:
  - Started with: 2 x 15bbl, 1 x 30bbl, 1 x 15bbl brite
  - Now have: 2 x 15bbl, 6 x 30bbl, 1 x 15bbl brite
- 800 bbl in 2014 and project 75% increase
  - Package only in kegs and stainless growlers
  - > 150+ wholesale accounts around San Diego



# Rip Current Brewing

- Business model focus on retail sales
  - > 6770 sq ft brewery and tasting room in San Marcos
  - > 3542 sq ft tasting room and restaurant in North Park
  - Majority of volume sold via tasting rooms
  - Focus on variety (>50) not flagship brands
- Barrel-aging program
  - > RIS, Wee Heavy, Dark Strong, CVIP
  - Majority will be released in bottles during 2015









## Growth After 1st Year

- Expanding production means...
  - Not only buying fermenters
  - > Adding cold space, cooperage, ...
  - > Expanding ingredient contracts/sources
  - ➤ Building issues (space, water, gas, electricity)
- Balanced growth enables incremental barrelage increases
  - > Impact on batch turn-over time (fresh beer)
  - Packaging issues
  - > Distribution?
- More people, more management





## Expansion

- Second brewery and/or tasting rooms
  - Quality control/consistency
  - > Scaling issues
  - > Risks to alcohol permit
- Bottling and/or canning
  - > Shelf life concerns
  - > Proper clarification
  - > Mechanical issues
  - ➤ Bottle conditioning vs forced carbonation
- Capital management
  - > Loans to expand vs additional partners
  - > Dilution of ownership





## Beyond Year 2

- Plan for continued growth
- Outgrowing brewery
  - > How to fit more fermenters?
  - > Second brewing location?
  - > Replace brewery?
- Barrel aging and souring program
- Proper QA lab
  - > Cell counting, viability checking, yeast banking
  - > Yeast culturing
- Centrifuge, filtration system







Q&A



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### Thank You!

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