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Business Affairs and Street Activities
Thursday January 25th, 2018, 7:00pm
433 1st Avenue Room 220 (NYU School of Dentistry)

Meeting Minutes

Present: Kyle Athayde (Chair), Susan Steinberg (Vice Chair), Dan Devine, Frank Scala, Paige Judge

Absent: Ellen Imbimbo, John Keller, David Colby Reed, Carol Schachter (Public Member)

Guests: Molly Hollister (Chair CB 6)

Call to Order and Adoption of the Agenda/Previous Meeting's Minutes

Kyle Athayde (Chair) called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Committee Business

1. New WBC Lic fir Alhorno Lean Mexican 57 Inc dba Alhorno Mexican Kitchen. 1089 2nd Avenue btw 57th & 58th Streets

Owner Chris Pizzimenti came before the committee. They are applying for a new beer and wine license for the existing "healthy inspired" quick service restaurant, as they are hoping to attract more dine-in business. The hours of operation will continue to be M-F 8am-10PM and Sat/Sun 10am-10PM. There are no windows that can be opened and all music is background. Hearing no comments from the community, a monition of no objection was made and seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

2. New. BC Lic. For Furukawa Toru dba Benton Café. 156 E. 45th Street btw 3rd & Lexington Aves.

Representative Chung and owner Toru Furkawa were present. The existing establishment serves Bento Box Ramen and is presently busy for lunch. The applicants are seeking a beer, wine and sake license. The hours of operation are 8AM to 9PM M-S. There are no open windows and no music is played. Hearing no comments from the community and no objections from the committee a motion of no objection was made and seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

3. New OP Lic. For Karma Food Corporation dba Barlovento, 430 3rd Ave btw 29th and 30th Streets.

Representative Adam Clayton Powell, GM James Dean, and Owner Michelle Reonegro appeared before the committee to apply for a new liquor license. The applicants are looking to operate a latin inspired restaurant M-S from 11am to 2am. The owners will not be applying for a sidewalk café. There will be no open windows or doors and the establishment will have pre-recorded music. The establishment may be rented out for private parties from time to time. Michelle has experience operating SoFrito which was previously located in the district. The committee requested that contact information for an operator be prominently displayed in the window of the establishment which the representatives agreed to do. Hearing no comments from the community, a motion of no objection was made and seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

4. New OP Lic. For Angeletto 2nd Ave Inc. 890 2nd Ave btw 47th & 48th Sts.

Owners Astrit Brahaj, Blendar Noka, and attorney Stacey Weiss were present to apply for a new Liquor License. The establishment is planning to be a modern Italian Restaurant specializing in Roman cuisine. The hours of operation will be 7am to 12am M-S. There will be pre-recorded music, and occasionally a piano player playing background music. The space will not be rented out for private parties. The interior capacity will be 149 people. Hearing no comments from the community, a motion of no objection was made and seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

5. New WBC Lic. For LTNS QC, LLC Little Tong Noodle Shop, 235 E53rd Street bet 2nd and 3rd Ave.

Si Tong owner appeared before the committee seeking a new beer and wine license. The establishment will be a small noodle shop serving mostly a lunch crowd with 15-17 seats and an interior capacity of 74. There will be windows/doors that will be removed during warmer months and closed at 10pm M-S. The hours of operation will be 11-12 M-S. There will be prerecorded background music. Hearing no comments from the community, a motion of no objection was made and seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

6. Alteration OP Lic. For Shamoor LLC dba The Shadmoor, 1066 2nd Ave bet 56th & 57th Streets.

Owner Lucasz Smolarczyk and representative Michael Kelly came before the committee seeking a change in the hours of operation and to add a sidewalk café (addressed below). Shadmoor is seeking to extend the hours of operation to M-S 8am to 2am. Shadmoor has been in operation for the past 9 months, having been previously approved for a full liquor license. Music will be pre-recorded. Having seen the applicant before and having thus far established a positive presence in the neighborhood, the committee was in favor of the change. Hearing no comments from the community, a motion of no objection was made and seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

7. New DCA App for unenclosed SWC, 11 tables, 22 chairs, for Shadmoor LLC dba The Shadmoor, 1066 2nd Ave btw 56th & 57th Streets.

Owner Lucasz Smolarczyk came before the committee seeking to add a sidewalk café. With the same general information as stated above the owner came before the committee seeking to have 11 tables and 22 seats for a sidewalk café. Committee members were comfortable with the proposal because the establishment will only have four seats on Second Avenue and because the owner agreed to the suggestion of using tape to mark off the boundaries for the sidewalk café. Hearing no comments from the community, a motion of no objection was made and seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

8. New OP Lic. For Le Garage Corp dba Wanderlust. 1004 2nd Ave btw 53rd & 54th Streets.

Attorney Matthew Leone and Eric Cerato, President came before the committee asking for a new liquor license. The owners currently operate Le Mangeoire next-door and are looking to assume the space of the recently closed Upsider. The food will be pan-Mediterranean. The establishment will have an interior capacity of less than 75 people, and a sidewalk café of 20 tables and 40 seats. The sidewalk café will be applied for at a later date. The doors/windows will be opened during warmer months and closed weekdays at 10pm and weekends at 11pm. Music will be pre-recorded and background only. Hearing no comments from the community, a motion of no objection was made and seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

9. Class Change OP Lic. For Jewel Barco LLC dba Jewel 2430 FDR Drive East Service, NY Skyport Arena at 23rd Street

Representative Rosa Ruiz and GM Ralph Sdjenami came before the board requesting a class change liquor license onboard a vessel that departs from the FDR drive and 23rd street. The Vessel operates from 11am to 4am M-S. and the operators are seeking to go from a seasonal operation to full-year. The representatives cited a long-standing operation and stressed that safety is the #1 priority. The vessel has a capacity of 390 people and includes pre-recorded, live and DJ'd music. Hearing no comments from the community, a motion of no objection was made and seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

10. Class Change OP Lic. For Cabana Barco LLC dba Cabana 2430 FDR Drive East Serice Road, NY Skyport Arena at 23rd Street.

Representative Rosa Ruiz and GM Ralph Sdjenami came before the board requesting a class change liquor license onboard a ship that takes off from the FDR drive and 23rd street. All material information is the same as above, save for the size of Cabana being slightly smaller with a capacity of 335 people. Hearing no comments from the community, a motion of no objection was made and seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

Old/New Business

Representatives from Turtle Bay bar were present and upon hearing no comments or concerns from the community were dismissed.

There was further conversation around existing street fairs. It was suggested to bring all or select applicants before the board to both get a better understanding of who is organizing the events as well as how much community good they are serving.

There was also discussion around Santa Con. Chair Kyle Athayde conveyed that the topic had been discussed at Executive Committee and the E.C. liked the idea of getting more information about Santa Con from businesses, police and organizers and to organize a community-wide forum. It was also conveyed that the committee's idea of "corralling" Santa Con into a more sanctioned area was also discussed and well received as a possibility.

Minutes submitted by: Daniel Devine