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BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 25, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

By Remote Participation Via Zoom

This meeting was held remotely in accordance with Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023 adopted by Massachusetts General Court and approved by the Governor.

Board Members (All Present): Nicole Murati Ferrer, Christine A. Elow, and Thomas Cahill, Jr.

Staff Member Present: Christopher O'Neil.

Decisions: All decisions, unless otherwise stated, were 3-0, and by roll call.

Public Testimony Matters

1. Application #273795 Circus Cooperative Café, Inc., 31 Putnam Avenue, Common Victualler License #234796, for a change in closing hour from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Present: Miles Taylor; and Kelly Mahoney.

Documents Considered: Application and documents attached thereto; and file.

Summary: The request for the change in hours is to be able to host small gatherings and events while continuing to operate the kitchen. They do not intend to be open every single day these hours, this would be for random, special events.

Decision: Granted.

2. Application #263877 The Mothership Alewife, LLC d/b/a Revival/Mothership, 125 Cambridgepark Drive, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #13675, to Add Additional Entertainment Categories to include Trivia, DJ, and Live Music both indoors and outdoors.

Present: Johanna Loughran.

Documents Considered: Application and documents attached thereto; and file.

Summary: After opening in December they realized they need the additional entertainment to further provide a service in the area and for the business's survival. They have hosted a few one day events with the type of entertainment being sought without issue. The entertainment would be for inside and outside, including the DJ which is what they have had (and what has been requested for events such as weddings).

Decision: Granted.

3. Application #273888 Tria Cambridge Concessions, LLC d/b/a Freepoint Hotel, 220 Alewife Brook Parkway, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #11569, for a Change of Manager to Kyle Goodsell.

Present: Andrew Upton, attorney; and Kyle Goodsell.

Documents Considered: Application and documents attached thereto; and file.

Summary: In May violation for over service, fired bartender and out of concern fired the General Manager (“GM”). Kyle will be part of the team to “stabilize” – he has hired a new GM. Once the new GM comes in and is on site full time they will file an application to make them the manager of record. Kyle Goodsell has extensive experience in the industry, has not been manager of record but has managed various businesses. Goodsell is familiar with the laws, rules and regulations with regard to the sale and service of alcohol. Goodsell provided TIPS as proof of training in the safe service and sale of alcohol. Presently Goodsell is working with the remaining staff, training them again and being present on the premises to ensure service is being provided properly.

Decision: Granted.

4. Application #271543 JCSK, Inc. d/b/a The Cellar, 991 Massachusetts Avenue, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #11673, for a Change of License Type from Restaurant to General On Premises.

Present: James Rafferty, attorney; and Marilyn Carter.

Documents Considered: Application and documents attached thereto; and file.

Summary: The Cellar is a long time venue in Cambridge; since COVID the food service has been uneven and hard to maintain. The demand has dropped off in Massachusetts Avenue and for personal health reasons of the owner, they are looking to change the business model to succeed. They are currently only open in the evenings and expect that to stay the same. They open at 5:00 p.m. and close at 1:00 a.m. Sunday through Wednesday and 2:00 a.m. Thursday through Saturday. There was discussion of altering the approval of the hours to reflect the operation. The Board decided to keep the 2:00 a.m. all days in the event the public need required it and acknowledge the business may close earlier. The opening hour was changed to 5:00 p.m.

Decision: Granted with amended opening hour of 5:00 p.m.

5. Application #263822 Chicken and Co., 2261 Massachusetts Avenue, Common Victualler License #248415, to Add Seasonal Outdoor Seating on Public Property on the sidewalk for 2 tables and 4 seats.

Summary/Decision: Did not appear, matter rescheduled.

6. Application #272930 C-Side Bar, LLC d/b/a C-Side Bar, 100 Cambridgeside Place, has applied for a new General On Premises All Alcoholic Beverages License with seating for 550 inside and a total occupancy of 600 with proposed hours of 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. all days. Brahm Callahan as proposed Manager of Record of a premises described as: On Level 1 of CambridgeSide Galleria Mall, approximately 15,004 sq. ft. food hall area which includes a bar with storage of approximately 504 sq. ft. and an additional liquor storage area within the northwest corner of the food hall of approximately 90 sq. ft. Also includes a liquor storage area of approximately 120 sq. ft. on the lower level (G1). Has three entrances/exits, two off Canal Park and one off First Street.

Present: William Kelley, attorney; Brahm Callahan; and Sarah Lemke.

Documents Considered: Application and documents attached thereto.

Summary: The public need for the license is linked to the design of the redevelopment of the services at Cambridgeside, upgraded with new construction. The type of business is within the physical area and consumption will be done in a compliant manner. The design and business model was developed in cooperation with the landlord, which retains oversight to ensure that there is safe service and sale of alcohol. The service area is on the food hall and there is a storage area on a level below. There will be signage showing where alcohol cannot pass. Will not apply for food but as a hospitality supplement for the food vendors. Not looking to displace or compete with the businesses on the food hall in terms of food, but they will have the amenity of alcohol to supplement them.

Brahm Callahan has experience in the industry, has not been manager of record and is familiar with the law, rules and regulations with regard to the sale and service of alcohol. Callahan has received TIPS training and will upload it to the record as proof of training in the safe service and sale of alcohol.

The physical buildout will help delineate the licensed area. The rest of the area will be marked by the signs, planters and other barriers, but still unsure as to which ones. At the bar they will serve in traditional glassware, and if not consuming on the bar, then in a clearly marked plastic cup. There will be multiple check points – for level of intoxication. They will have a minimum of one employee for the food hall, noon on Sunday, additional staffing, monitoring and clearing and bussing. There will be age check before delivery of alcohol (even if you order on the application; if proof of age cannot be provided, refund will be provided and alcohol will not be served). After proof of age is received they will either have their hand stamped or a bracelet will be placed. They will also use the credit card to confirm it matches the identification used. They have experience in large establishments and are able to monitor overservice. They will implement best practices and reverse engineer pre-made drinks for speed to not compromise the customer service but at the same time ensure compliance with the law.

There is no intent to extend the premises to the outdoor area or serve alcohol beyond the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Decision: Granted with premises description as amended to include the square footage of both storage areas, and with the condition that there has to be clear delineation of the boundaries of the licensed premises and express signage showing no alcohol beyond the licensed area/food hall and also

specifically into corridor/hall that goes into bathroom area. Prior to issuing the license, applicant needs to provide detailed safety and control plan/protocols (including whether incorporating wristband or stamp to identify persons allowed to be served alcohol, and what exactly are the boundaries that are going to be used to delineate the premises on the sides that are not enclosed by glass or walls).

7. Application #270576 Tuan & Linh, LLC d/b/a Areca Asian Lounge, 425 Cambridge Street, has applied to transfer the Common Victualler All Alcohol License held by Ethos Business Partners, Inc. (#12289), at the same address. The applicant proposes seating for 48 inside and 16 patio seats on public property. Proposed operating hours for indoors of 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Wednesday and 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Thursday through Saturday, and for outdoor 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. all days. Verac Xom as proposed manager of record of a premises described as: Approximately 1,900 sq. ft. on the first floor with two dining rooms, two restrooms, kitchen; approximately 1,800 sq. ft. in the basement for storage. Outdoor seasonal patio on the public way, parking/loading zone area, of approximately 243 sq. ft.

Present: Verac Xom; and Linh Do; Tuan Lin. Peter Crawley and Linh Do, abutters.

Documents Considered: Application and documents attached thereto; previous applications; and correspondence received.

Summary: Incorporate by reference and make a part hereof the April 8, 2024 testimony on a similar application and May 8, 2024 testimony on the license at issue and the ABCC RNA on the previous application. There is a presumption of need for the alcohol license. The alcohol will be used to enhance the experience of the cuisine.

Verac Xom has some experience working part time in an alcohol establishment, now has joined as a partner. Xom is familiar with the laws of the commonwealth and rules and regulations of the ABCC and the Board with regard to the sale and service of alcohol. Xom provided TIPS certificate as proof of training in the safe service and sale of alcohol. Xom will be working there full time as manager but eventually they will seek to hire someone and take over as manager of record.

Peter Crawley, landlord of the adjacent building, spoke in support of the application but with concern regarding the rotting building wall, fan and filtration of the hood, and odor produced with the cooking. Linh Do raised the same concerns as Crawley. Both were not in opposition to the business. Most matters raised are under Inspectional Services Department purview; will be forwarded again to that department.

Decision: Granted.

8. Application #270007 SLMS Nightlife Ventures, LLC d/b/a Dx, 33 Dunster Street, has applied for a new General On Premises All Alcoholic Beverages License with seating for 160 inside and a total occupancy of 327 with proposed hours of 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. all days. Larry Ward as proposed Manager of Record of a premises described as: Basement of the Garage Building, approximately 11,000 square feet including the kitchen, one stage and one raised platform area, with storage space, and

bathrooms. One private room available to the public which includes numerous video arcade machines, a bar area, one main entrance/exit and three emergency exits. Applicant is also applying for an Entertainment License to include: Recorded music with amplification; Dancing by patrons; Dancing by entertainers; Live music with amplification; Floor shows; Light show; dynamic audio/visual show; Comedy show; Karaoke; 2 pool tables; Jukebox; 10 TV's/Video screens; and 80 Video games.

Present: Larry Ward; and Sean Hope.

Documents Considered: Application and documents attached thereto; previous one day applications; and correspondence received from Harvard Square Business Association regarding application.

Summary: There is a presumption of need for the license as there was one before. Larry Ward intends to bring what he knows and part of his jazz fest experience to the location. They want to be an entertainment venue and alcohol is an essential part of becoming a go to entertainment venue. They have obtained a significant number of one days at this location to hone in the model to be able to have this venture. When they book the events, people often ask if they can have alcohol. There is no cannabis component or cannabis related aspect; they will not be a cannabis social event space – what transpired at the early stages of them obtaining one days licenses at the location with cannabis has stopped and they do not intend to intertwine the two. They will no longer have 80 video games, they will now have 23 video games, 10 TVs, and 2 pool tables that are portable (move them out of the space and fold up so when they have events can move out). The video games and the business itself is different from DX (the video game entertainment venue that opened up in the same building but on the opposite side). They believe being an event space with alcohol goes hand in hand and it is the type of venue that used to exist in Harvard Square but it does not anymore. They want to be able to revitalize the event space in Harvard Square.

The kitchen remains in the space but will be licensed separately as it is going to be managed by a catering company (and because they do not intend to be a restaurant). They want to be able to provide food from time to time, i.e. jazz brunch but their focus is to be an event space. The catering portion will also be used to cater events outside the location. They were informed that aside from the license being obtained, if they intend to prepare and serve food at the location, the catering company will need a common victualler license.

Larry Ward has experience and understand the rules and regulations. Ward has not been manager of record on an annual license, has been manager of record on a one days and was manager at the Ebony Club. Ward has studied the law, the rules and has obtained certification on the safe service and sale of alcohol, and crowd control manager law, receiving certificates on both and uploading them to the record.

Decision: Granted as amended (reducing video games to 23), pending submission of updated floor plan showing capacity configuration with the entertainment devices (can send to the ABCC while receive it).

9. Disciplinary Shojo Cambridge, LLC d/b/a Shojo, holder of All Alcohol Common Victualler License #193948, 425 Massachusetts Avenue, for allegedly allowing illegalities in or around the licensed premises by operating over the licensed capacity on May 5, 2024 (7:45 p.m.), in violation of G. L. c. 138, §§ 12, 23 and 64, G. L. c. 140, and Board's Rules 2.3, 2.5, 5.1, and 9.

Present: Kristen Scanlon, attorney; Brian Moy; and Investigator Tyler Bubenik.

Documents Considered: Hearing notice and documents attached/referenced thereto; and file.

Summary: During routine patrol on May 5, 2024, Investigator Tyler Bubenik from the outside of the remises could clearly see the inside was crowded. Investigator Bubenik conducted multiple counts and found there were 90 persons on the inside of the premises (licensed only for 59). This is the same type of violation, and the same number of patrons as the matter heard by the Board in March 2024. It took the staff about 5 minutes to reduce the number of patrons to the licensed capacity.

Shojo through counsel and then with testimony from Moy admitted and did not contest that there were 90 persons on the inside of the premises (in addition to those outside). Moy explained they had a Cinco de Mayo event for which they sold 25 tickets, and had a total of 13 staff. Moy was on site and stationed on the patio for the event. It was noted that from the patio, you can see the inside of the premises.

The person on the door was new to the premises and did not understand the flow of persons, especially when they go inside to go to the bathroom. Moy testified they have newly revised protocols, and also have a pending application to increase capacity. For now, they will to the extent possible have no new events. They will also provide bracelets to patrons to differentiate who is inside/outside, or they may start to escort patrons to bathroom. Moy explained they have two access points to the restroom, one of which is from the parking lot in the rear that leads to communal restroom. Often times, patrons try to come in from the parking lot side. They also purchased 10-15 umbrellas and that way they can walk patrons around the side of the building when it is raining and customers can go to the bathroom one at the time. They believe these different measures will control the persons that are outside and remain inside after they go to the bathroom.

For the Cinco de Mayo event they only had 35 pre-ticket sales to account for those persons who brought friends and overage. It was noted that the business had received a warning about the promotional material to the event (prior to the event) which implicated Happy Hour Regulation prohibited practices. Moy indicated the material was prepared by the promoter of the event and without their input but upon receipt of the call by the License Commission on the issue, the wording on promotional flyer about alcohol was changed and the previous one taken down.

Decision: Under advisement.

10. Disciplinary MGM Development Co. for allegedly engaging in construction activity outside of the allowable hours, on Saturday, May 25, 2024 (8:16 a.m.) in the vicinity of 74 Hammond Street, in violation of CMC 8.16.080(f)(1).

Present: Barry McShea; Aran Nathanson, complainant; and Investigator Tyler Bubenik.

Documents Considered: Hearing notice and documents attached/referenced thereto; and file.

Summary: Have essentially received two warnings for the same type of violation. Aran Nathanson, the resident, testified as to work being performed on a Saturday at 8:15 a.m. Nathanson explained there have been other violations for which they have not called, as they are on the “cusp” of the allowable hours or not that “noisy,” but the resident and their family cannot continue to tolerate the violations (also testified as to another in June, but that one was not considered by the Board at this hearing since it was not part of the notice).

Project Manager McShea did not contest the facts and basically explained that the two previous occasions (for the ones which they received warnings), it was due to the dumpster company coming in earlier (and they no longer use them). The other was the foundation subcontractor that called asking for access to the site on a Saturday prior to 9:00 a.m. McShea does not work on Saturdays so they provided them access to the site and allowed the work to commence early. It was noted McShea was very nonchalant about the situation. McShea, thereafter, apologized to the neighbors.

Decision: Violation, \$300 fine.

[Note: Matters 11 & 12 heard together.]

11. Disciplinary Republic Services, Solid Waste Hauler License #14078, for allegedly loading and unloading outside allowable hours, on June 12, 2024 (6:54 a.m.) in the vicinity of 1573 Cambridge Street, in violation of CMC 8.16.080(e).

Present: Investigator Tyler Bubenik. No one appeared for Republic Services.

Documents Considered: Hearing notice and documents attached/referenced thereto; and file.

Summary: No second call given, matter heard at 11:46 a.m. This is an ongoing matter with this business at this location.

Decision: Violation, \$300 fine, and \$100 hearing fee for failure to appear.

12. Disciplinary Property Ownership of Youville House Assisted Living, for allegedly allowing waste collection by Republic Services to occur outside of the allowable hours on June 12, 2024 (6:54 a.m.) in the vicinity of 1573 Cambridge Street, in violation of CMC 8.16.080(e).

Present: Vinnie Rodriguez; and Investigator Tyler Bubenik.

Documents Considered: Hearing notice and documents attached/referenced thereto; and file.

Summary: Vinnie Rodriguez explained they are new to the location and became aware of the situation with the business and inherited this problem. They have made numerous attempts with calls and notice of contract cancellation but have been unable to resolve the issue with Republic. Right now the contract is set to expire in September and they do not intend to renew it.

Decision: Violation, \$300 fine held in abeyance until October 31, 2024.

13. Disciplinary Capitol Roofing Inc., for allegedly operating a leaf blower without a permit [failure to adhere to August 30, 2023, cease and desist], on June 11, 2024 (1:35 p.m.) in the vicinity of 66 Sacramento Street, in violation of CMC 8.16.081.3.6.

Documents Considered: Hearing notice and documents attached/referenced thereto; file; and waiver of hearing submitted.

Summary: On June 24, 2024, John Danca filed a waiver of hearing. The waiver accepts the violation as noticed but the email accompanying the waiver contends that they are a commercial leaf blower operator. Waiver filed due to a medical issue. Looking at their webpage do not advertise beyond highlight that they pride in keeping company clean – maybe site clean up after. The Board asked for Investigator Bubenik to further look into the matter. If the business is not a commercial leaf blower operator, although they have to comply with the other provisions of the ordinance, they do not have to obtain a permit.

Decision: Defer.

Administrative Matters

Unless otherwise indicated, all the below listed matters were considered and voted upon by the Board without public testimony. They were decided upon by the Board members' individual review of the papers/applications/matter before them. The summary of what is considered is the identifying information of the matter as listed herein.

14. Board Vote [Matter Heard May 21, 2024] Disciplinary, Tria Cambridge Concessions, LLC d/b/a Freepoint Hotel, 220 Alewife Brook Parkway, Common Victualler and Entertainment All Alcohol License #11569, for alleged violations of serving, selling and/or delivering of alcohol to an intoxicated person and/or overservice of alcohol on (insert date) in violation of G. L. c. 138, §§ 23, 64-64A, 69, G. L. c. 140, and Board's Rules 2, 12B.6, and 12B.7.

Summary: This was the father and son duo who were each served 7 drinks in 90 minutes. They were guests of the hotel. There was no contention that there was overservice here. After the fact, they removed the manager, the bartender quit on their own volition. The business has taken significant steps to correct the issue and make sure it does not repeat.

Decision: Violation, two (2) days suspension one (1) held in abeyance for nine (9) months, the suspension is only for the alcohol service, common victualler portion of the license is not suspended.

15. Board Vote [Matter Heard June 6, 2024] Disciplinary, DMG Food Enterprises, LLC d/b/a 730 Tavern Kitchen & Patio, 730 Massachusetts Avenue, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #11613, for (1) underage individual in possession of alcohol; (2) service, sale or delivery of alcohol to an underage individual; and (3) service, sale or delivery of alcoholic beverages to an intoxicated, underage individual and/or overservice of alcohol in violation of G.L. c. 138, §§ 23, 34, 34A, 41, 64, 64A, and 69 and Board's Rules 2, 5B.6, 12B.6, and 12B.7.

Summary: This was the 20 year old that used an out of state identification to enter the premises. There is no presumption of reasonable care when you accept an out of state identification. Here not only was it accepted, there was no back up required. In addition, the person was served alcohol more than 2 drinks at a time, and even against business policy. The only argument that the attorney made that could be considered is that there was no direct proof entered as to the state of the individual when served, but that is also weak since someone that pukes all over themselves, is served multiple drinks at a time, and is looking slow, counteracts that argument. Even if that portion of the case is dismissed, the suspension would be the same.

Decision: Violation, two (2) days suspension one (1) held in abeyance for twelve (12) months (vote was 2-0 as Commissioner Elow was not present and had not reviewed the material).

16. Application #266161 Peter Dynan, John Moriarty Associates, for a Special Noise Variance from 6/25/24- 8/25/24, (no alternate dates) at 315 Vassar Street, Sunday work only, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for a hoist operation on MIT graduate dormitories consisting of electrical installations, testing, exterior panel installation, landscaping, metals installation, and interior finishes. The variance is sought to ensure pedestrian and cyclist safety along Vassar Street.

Decision: Removed from the agenda as the applicant will not be operating beyond the allowable construction hours or operating any devices which would emit noise level beyond those allowed under the Ordinance. A Sunday Work Permit from the Police Department will be necessary.

17. Application #273018 Dan Blumberg, W.T. Rich Company, for a Special Noise Variance from 6/25/24-9/30/24, (no alternate dates) at 299 Vassal Lane, all hours as needed, for generators to run cooling units for maintaining interior temperature and humidity level. The variance is sought due to generators needing to run 24 hours a day to maintain the correct ambient temperatures within the building.

Decision: Granted with the condition that a Sunday Work Permit is required.

18. Application #270218 Gangnam Spice, LLC d/b/a Gangnam Spice, for a new annual Hawker/Peddler License with Tyler Hirsch as one of the owners and manager of record.

Decision: Granted.

19. Application #274011 Medford Coffee, LLC d/b/a Dunkin' Donuts, 199 Alewife Brook Parkway, for a new Common Victualler License with Geo Barbosa as manager of record of a premises described as: On the first floor, space of approximately 1,996 sq. ft. with front of house area including seating, sales and service area. Back of house consisting of prep/storage area, refrigeration/freezer storage and office. There will be seating for 14 with a maximum indoor patron occupancy of 20. Hours of operation will be 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. all days. This is a previously licensed location, with the same business, no changes except for the ownership.

Decision: Granted.

20. Application #275174 Classic Disposal, LLC d/b/a Classic Disposal, for a new Disposal/Waste Hauler License. Jake Burrige as manager of record.

Decision: Granted.

21. Application #274909 Turing Tavern, Inc. d/b/a The Turing Tavern, 1281 Cambridge Street, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #203549, to add one more television to its entertainment license (bringing the total count to 5).

Decision: Granted.

22. Application #275251 Abdur Rahman for a new Hackney Driver's License.

Decision: Granted.

23. Consideration of Statement of Reasons [Matters Heard June 6, 2024]

Republic Services, Solid Waste Hauler License #14078, two violations of CMC 8.16.080(e), loading and unloading outside allowable hours at 1573 Cambridge Street, on May 3, 2024 at 6:50 a.m., and May 10, 2024 at 6:48 a.m. Issued \$300 fine per violation for a total \$600 fine and \$100 hearing fee for failure to appear.

Green Valley Landscaping & Masonry, Inc., Leaf Blower Permit #153943, two violations of CMC 8.16.081 at 603 Concord Avenue on May 11, 2024, at 8:19 a.m.: Section 3.10, operating more than one leaf blower within same 10,000 square foot area; and Section 3.4, operating prior to allowable start time of 9:00 a.m. Issued \$300 fine per violation for a total \$600 fine.

Casella Waste Services, Solid Waste Hauler License #14070, one violation of CMC 8.16.080(e), loading and unloading outside allowable hours, on May 10, 2024, at approximately 6:05 a.m., at 94 Hampshire Street. Issued \$300 fine.

Youville House Assisted Living, 1573 Cambridge Street, two violations of CMC 8.16.080(e), loading/unloading waste outside of the allowable hours, on May 3, 2024 at 6:50 a.m., and May 10, 2024 at 6:48 a.m. Issued \$300 fine per violation for a total \$600 fine.

Summary/Decision: Not considered – not ready.

24. Consideration of Meeting Minutes June 6, 2024.

Summary/Decision: Not considered – not ready.

One Day License Applications

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25. Application #267443 HYP, LLC d/b/a Pagu, 310 Massachusetts Avenue, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #11579, for an entertainment license, on 8/9/24 from 3:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. for a wedding with patrons dancing and DJ. Expected attendance – 100.

Decision: Granted.

26. Application #268082 Michael Leverone, Birds Nest Italian Street Food LLC for a hawkler/peddler license at Cambridgeside, on 7/4/24 from 4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. to sell food.

Summary: Any issue with having vendors on the Cambridge side during Fourth of July? This is actually on the Cambridge side of the river (esplanade). Planning on possibility of the trucks but there was a meeting with DCR – suspect DCR will say Cambridge do what you want. Fire will have staff and prepared for propane control.

Decision: Granted pending confirmation that the City of Cambridge will allow vendors for Fourth of July and subject to any conditions and modifications provided by Cambridge public safety officials.

27. Application #269878 Juliet Iredale, Consulate General of France in Boston, for a wine license at 14 Brattle Street, on 7/12/24 (rain date 7/13/24) from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for a garden party. Expected attendance – 70.

Decision: Granted.

28. Application #270290 William Manley, Harvard Square Business Association, for an entertainment license at 9 Bow Street, on 7/13/24 from 10:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. for an open market with live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 100.

Decision: Granted with amended event hours of 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. per City permit, may start setting up at 10:30 a.m.

29. Application #270290 William Manley, Harvard Square Business Association, for an entertainment license at 9 Bow Street, on 7/13/24 from 10:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. for an open market with live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 100.

Decision: No vote – duplicate of previous item.

30. Application #271833 Paul Clark for a malt and entertainment license at 64 Sidney Street, on 6/30/24 (rain date 7/7/24) from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. for a road race with recorded music, live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 2500.

Decision: Granted with the condition that alcohol cannot be served, sold or delivered prior to 10:00 a.m.

31. Application #272441 Matthew Nelson, City of Cambridge, for an entertainment license at Massachusetts Avenue, on 6/28/24 from 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. for a dance party with patrons dancing, performers/entertainers dancing, DJ, amplification system and light show. Expected attendance – 20,000.

Decision: Granted with amended start time of 5:00 p.m. per City permit; no license fee.

32. Application #272646 Kenedy Mondesir for an all alcohol and entertainment license at 2254 Massachusetts Avenue, on 7/6/24 from 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. for a wedding reception with patrons dancing, recorded music, DJ and amplification system. Expected attendance – 200.

Decision: Granted.

33. Application #272910 James McKay, Cambridge Boat Club, for a malt and wine license at 2 Gerry's Landing, on 7/13/24 from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. for a rowing race. Expected attendance – 150.

Decision: Granted.

34. Application #273200 Barry Walsh, DHSP, for an entertainment license at 61 Willow Street, on 6/28/24 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. for an opening kickoff event with recorded music, DJ and amplification system. Expected attendance – 150. City event.

Decision: Granted, may operate until 4:00 p.m.; no license fee.

35. Application #273594 Susanne Petrov, RSCDS Boston Branch, for an entertainment license at 1950 Massachusetts Avenue, on 10/5/24 from 5:30 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. for a Scottish country dance with patrons dancing, live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 50.

Decision: Granted.

36. Application #273641 Cheryl Maynard, Kingdom Empowerment Center, for an entertainment license at 155 Harvard Street, on 7/14/24 (rain date 7/21/24) from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. for a music event with recorded and live music. Expected attendance – 150.

Decision: Granted.

37. Application #273528 Ryan Rose, MIT Open Space Programming, for an entertainment license at 292 Main Street, on various dates (7/12, 7/19, 7/26, 8/2, 8/8, 8/16, 8/30, 9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27 and 10/4/24) from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. for movie night with amplification system and theatrical exhibition/play/moving picture show. Expected attendance – 300.

Decision: Granted.

38. Application #274385 Dusty Rhodes, Conventures, Inc., for an entertainment license at 325 Binney Street, on 6/26/24 (rain date 6/27/24) from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. for a ribbon cutting with amplification system and dynamic audio/visual show live/recorded. Expected attendance – 700.

Decision: Granted with amended end time of 2:00 p.m. per permission letter (may commence at 11:00 a.m.).

39. Application #274485 Maria Moran, MIT Naval Engineering Program, for a malt and wine license at 134 Memorial Drive, on 7/15/24 from 5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. for a welcome event. Expected attendance – 44.

Decision: Granted.

40. Application #274675 Sarah Jane Huber, City of Cambridge Community Development Department, for an entertainment license at 688 Cambridge Street, on 6/30/24 from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. for a Cambridge plays event with patrons dancing, performers/entertainers dancing, recorded music, DJ and amplification system. Expected attendance – 100.

Decision: Granted; no license fee.

41. Application #274935 Allison Finney, Isenberg Project, LLC, for an entertainment license at 55 Broadway, on all Wednesdays through Sundays from 7/5 – 9/29/24 with different hours all within 11:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. for Kendall Commons with patrons dancing, performers/entertainers dancing, recorded music, DJ, live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 300.

Decision: Granted.

42. Application #275549 Nicole Saras, Arbor Biotechnologies, for a malt and wine and entertainment license at 20 Acorn Park Drive, on 6/27/24 (rain date 7/11/24) from 2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. for a field day with recorded music. Expected attendance – 80.

Decision: Granted.

43. Application #275672 Rebecca O’Neill, MetaMovements, for an entertainment license at 300 Athenaeum Street, on 6/27, 7/24 & 8/22/24 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. for a salsa dancing with patrons dancing, performers/entertainers dancing and DJ. Expected attendance – 100.

Decision: Granted.

44. Application #276852 Gim Hom, FF Fraternity Reunion, for a wine and entertainment license at 50 Memorial Drive, on 7/7/24 from 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. for a reception/dinner with DJ. Expected attendance – 225.

Decision: Granted with amended end time for alcohol service of 8:00 p.m. per event registration form and the condition the applicant must request police detail.

Matters Considered – Not Previously Posted on the Agenda

Unless otherwise indicated, all the below listed matters were considered and voted upon by the Board without public testimony. They were decided upon by the Board members’ individual review of the papers/applications/matter before them. The summary of what is considered is the identifying information of the matter as listed herein.

45. Application #277355 Jose da Silva, Patagonia Cambridge, for a malt license at 39 Brattle Street, on 6/27/24 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. for a panel discussion. Expected attendance – 50.

Decision: Granted with the condition that they must implement a system to identify of legal drinking age attendants.


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By the Board of License Commissioners



Nicole Murati Ferrer, Chair



Thomas Cahill, Jr., Fire Chief



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