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BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 24, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

Meeting started at 10:31 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: Nicole Murati Ferrer (present); Christine A. Elow (absent); and Thomas Cahill, Jr. (present).

Staff Member Present: Christopher O'Neil.

Decisions: All decisions, unless otherwise stated, were 2-0, and by roll call.

Public Testimony Matters

1. **[Continued from September 9, 2024 Hearing] Application #280604** Pyramid Cambridge Management, LLC d/b/a The Kendall Hotel/Kendall House/Black Sheep, 350 Main Street, to transfer the existing All Alcohol Innholder License (#10896) held by The Firehouse Inn, LLC at the same location. Shannon Keefe as proposed Manager of Record of a premises described as: Hotel with 8 floors, including garage, and 77 rooms for a total square footage of 40,508. Includes dining room, kitchen, and bar on 2nd floor. Storage in basement. Spa and conference room on 7th floor. Outdoor patio on 1st floor and outdoor roof deck on 7th floor.

Summary/Decision: Matter further continued to October 9, 2024.

2. **Application #283872** 2322 Wine Bar Limited d/b/a The Cat's Meow, 2322 Massachusetts Avenue, for a new Common Victualler All Alcohol License with seating for 38 and a total occupancy of 48 and proposed hours of 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. all days. Danielle Pattavina as proposed Manager of Record of a premises described as: In Unit #1, on the southernmost end of the ground/street level, approximately 747 sq. ft. with one entrance/exit on the front and one rear exit. Includes storage in the basement of approximately 741 sq. ft. with an exit in the rear (also known as Unit #1). Applicant is also applying for an Entertainment License to include music above conversation without amplification, dancing by patrons, live music without amplification, DJ, comedy show, karaoke, and 1 jukebox.

Present: Danielle Pattavina.

Documents Considered: Application and documents attached thereto; and correspondence received with regard to the application.

Summary: The application is for a General on Premises license. They have no kitchen and will only sell small pre-packaged type food that does not need to be heated up/cooked (chips, pretzels, etc.). Although in some iterations of the applications submitted the d/b/a was changed to *Return the Compliment*, it remains The Cat's Meow (nothing to do with cats in the space).

Applicant explained this space will be a compliment to their package store down the street. This is intended to serve the need of their patrons asking for an event space and also to provide them the ability to do more in depth pouring events like workshops, guided wine tastings, birthday parties, workshops, etc. It is means to be a community space, somewhere to have a glass of wine/cocktail while the kids have a soda and you talk with your friends.

They addressed the concern raised in one of the letters received as to the noise as explaining the space is not meant to be loud but to be able to meet. Regardless, they will monitor to ensure it does not cause a disturbance to the neighborhood. They also explained the parking should not be an issue as most of their clientele bike or walk but also Eastern Bank, which closes early, has offered their parking. The Board received eight (8) letters in support of the application, and one with concerns but not an opposition per se.

Danielle Pattavina has over 20 years experience in the food and beverage industry and has been an approved manager of record with no issues with local board or ABCC. Pattavina is familiar with the rules and regulations of the Board, the ABCC and the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with regard to the sale and service of alcohol, and has been trained in the safe service and sale of alcohol. Pattavina is also the manager of record of the package store owned by them. Pattavina explained it is only two doors down, at 2304 Massachusetts Avenue, and that they intend to initially go back and forth. However, the intent is to bring someone up at Momma's and put them as manager of record.

Decision: Granted as a General on Premises License.

3. Application #283281 More Than Words, Inc., 563 Massachusetts Avenue, for a Second Hands Goods, Junk Dealers and/or Antiques License.

Present: Jude Chio; Shaun Newell; and Naomi Parker.

Documents Considered: Application and documents attached thereto.

Summary: More Than Words is a non-profit social enterprise where they have created a youth development and career services program. They have stores in Boston and Waltham. They intend to sell mostly books but also some clothing. They are aware of the statutory requirements of running this type of business including but not limited to the requirements of keeping registry of received and sold items and the age restrictions of the sellers/buyers. The proposed hours of operation are Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., closed on Mondays, 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Tuesday – Friday, and 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Saturdays. They are unsure when they will open, working the soft opening of store. Jude Chio will be the manager.

Decision: Granted.

4. Application #283973 HRB MA Holdings, LLC d/b/a Hyatt Regency Cambridge, 575 Memorial Drive, All Alcohol Innholder #66021, for a Change of Manager to Matthew Huss.

Present: Matthew Huss.

Documents Considered: Application and documents attached thereto.

Summary: Matthew Huss has about 40 years experience in the hospitality industry. Huss has been the manager of record of on various hotel licenses before with no disciplinary issues with the local board or ABCC. Huss is familiar with the rules and regulations of the Board, the ABCC and the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with regard to the sale and service of alcohol and running of an innholder. Huss has been trained in the safe service and sale of alcohol but not in Massachusetts – will work on that.

Decision: Granted.

5. Application #284073 Jaho Central, LLC d/b/a Jaho Coffee Roaster and Wine Bar, 425 Massachusetts Avenue Unit C, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #234576, to Increase Seating Capacity to add an outdoor area on the public way, sidewalk curbside, of approximately 266 sq. ft. for 6 tables and a total of 13 seats.

Present: Thomas Miller, attorney; and Michael Weiss.

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

Summary: The SSBU related to this application is pending (only the indemnification agreement with the City is outstanding). Although the SSBU says they are seeking to open the outdoor area at 6:00 a.m. all days, the proposed hours would be the same as currently licensed, opening at 6:30 a.m. Monday-Friday, and 7:00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday (for food) alcohol service does not start until 11 a.m. all days.

Jaho has 6 other locations throughout the state and have “tested” the outdoor area model and know there is a public need for it. They have also seen a demand for it at this location. They see the public need in what the community has existing and what the customers are asking for. The business model is not servers, but there may be delivery to a table by a server. The staff walks around the café every 15 minutes to clear tables and monitor.

Decision: Granted with the condition that there must be at least one (1) employee, not behind the service counter, dedicated to monitoring the outdoor area at all times.

6. Application #273094 Fawaz Abu-Rubayah d/b/a Beantown Taqueria, 245 Massachusetts Avenue, Common Victualler License #12404, to Increase Seating Capacity of the outdoor patio from four (4) to sixteen (16).

Present: No one appeared for the applicant.

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

Summary: This matter has been on the agenda multiple times. It has been either taken off prior to the hearing or at the hearing due to the applicant's failure to notify abutters. The applicant has been informed multiple times how to address and correct the issue. There is an SSBU that has issued with the increased capacity but there was no notification to abutters in that application. The service hours of the patio are significant, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 a.m., and therefore, such a significant change should be informed to the abutters and they should have an opportunity to be heard on the issue. In addition, the applicant failed to appear.

Decision: Denied for failure to appear or complete the application. If applicant seeks to have the matter of increasing outdoor capacity to be reconsidered by the Board, they will need to submit a new application.

7. Disciplinary HS Landscaping & Masonry, Leaf Blower Permit #261420, for allegedly operating a leaf blower during a prohibited period at 35 Brewster Street on July 30, 2024, in violation of CMC 8.16.081.3(1).

Present: Hildo DeSouza; and Investigator Tyler Bubenik.

Documents Considered: Disciplinary notice and documents attached thereto; and file.

Summary: Originally heard on 9/11/24, the matter was reheard because of an unforeseen medical situation on the permittee's side.

On July 30, 2024 a resident submitted a picture of an HS Landscaping employee operating a leaf blower at 35 Brewster Street at approximately 2:48 p.m. HS Landscaping is the successor to Paiva Landscaping Masonry – a preceding commercial landscaping company permitted from 2022 – 2023, for which DeSouza was also President. Paiva Landscaping has a disciplinary record.

DeSouza did not contest the use, but asked for leniency. DeSouza explained their crews work in about 45 properties in Cambridge and in surrounding cities and towns. Although DeSouza informs the staff not to use "the big blower" sometimes they do and that in this case the staff reported they had to use it because of "all the leaves." This was the first time they went to this property so it was probably deemed needed because it was clean up. DeSouza said they would train the staff more and do better.

Decision: Violation, \$300 fine. Company needs to provide an updated list of properties serviced in the City of Cambridge.

8. Disciplinary E.C. Hathaway & Associates for allegedly operating a leaf blower at 10 Appleton Street on June 28, 2024: (a) without a permit, in violation of 8.16.081.2(4) and 3(6); and (b) during a prohibited period, in violation of 8.16.081.3(1).

Present: Investigator Tyler Bubenik. No one appeared for E.C. Hathaway & Associates.

Documents Considered: Disciplinary notice and documents attached thereto; and file.

Summary: Originally considered by the Board on 8/16/24, the matter was reheard as there is evidence to suggest that the hearing notice was not received as it was sent via certified mail and it was never “picked up” or “claimed.” The hearing notice for this meeting was sent via first class mail to the address where EC Hathaway’s current Workers Compensation Policy is registered. EC Hathaway has an extensive history of violating the Ordinance, ignoring hearing notices and not appearing before the Board.

A resident produced pictures and videos of an employee of EC Hathaway operating a leaf blower at 11:36 a.m. on June 28, 2024 at 10 Appleton Street. No one appeared for EC Hathaway.

Decision: Violation, 2 counts, \$300 fine per count for total fine of \$600, and \$100 hearing fee for failure to appear at the hearing. Notice of findings and fines to be sent to the property owner.

9. Disciplinary Clover Fast Food, Inc., Lic. #11460 – 302 Elm Street a/k/a 1075 Cambridge Street, Lic. #11431 – 1326 Massachusetts Avenue, Lic. #11599 – 496 Massachusetts Avenue, Lic. #11496 – 355 Main Street a/k/a 5 Cambridge Center, consideration of cancellation, revocation or indefinite suspension of licenses pursuant to G. L. c. 138, §§ 15A, 23 & 64, and Board’s Rules 5.5 and 5.6.

Present: Maureen McSweeney; and Julia Wrin Piper, CEO.

Documents Considered: Disciplinary notice and documents attached thereto; and file.

Summary: As early as May 2024, Clover was requested to apply for changes made to the licenses, which include, and may not be limited to, the beneficial interest holders and/or officers of the licenses. The changes were made without approval of the Board of License Commissioners (“Board”) and the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission as required by state law. After multiple extensions provided, curative applications in complete and compliant mode have not been received. The Board, to be able to properly address all the issues, pulled its file and also asked the ABCC for their files.

Clover entered into Chapter 11 in 2023. The management at the time removed Ayr Muir as CEO and Julia Wrin Piper was appointed temporarily as CEO. They have now exited bankruptcy, Piper was appointed the official CEO and are transitioning out of Chapter 11. They have continued to operate, Muir is still a director and shareholder but not an officer or CEO. Muir is also not the 100% owner of any of the licenses. Due to the multiple issues with the pending applications to make changes and what appears to be multiple unapproved changes, Clover will hire a licensing attorney (currently interviewing two) to submit the proper/corrective required applications.

Clover stated there has not been in changes in the actual ownership but it appears the ownership is not properly reflected on all the licenses. In addition, there was no issuance of stock/changes stock, clover took debt to change. They are still in process of receiving and reconciling claims.

Decision: Under advisement until next meeting. Applicant advised applications should be submitted in complete form before that date because if it is status quo, at that time the Board will consider suspending the licenses indefinitely.

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.

10. Application #288386 LSM Limited d/b/a Pavement Coffeehouse, 1663 Massachusetts Avenue, for a new Common Victualler License at a previously licensed location. Walker Allison as proposed manager of record of a premises described as: 1,260 sq. ft. of retail space with 2 bathrooms on the 1st floor of 1663 Mass Ave. coffee counter and the prep area behind it; 1,043 sq. ft. basement area for storage. Includes outdoor area on the private way. Seating capacity inside of 30 with maximum occupancy of 55, and outdoor sitting and maximum capacity of 30. Proposed operating hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. all days.

Decision: Granted.

11. Board Acknowledgement/Ratification of Condition Application #277686, Jarocho, LLC d/b/a Tenoch Mexican, 83 Mt. Auburn Street, Common Victualler All Alcohol License, approved by the Board on August 16, 2024, pending approval at the ABCC. The premises includes an outdoor area that is visible from the inside but not necessarily from the open kitchen area. Therefore, a condition has been added that "There must be at least one (1) staff member, not behind the service counter, dedicated to monitoring the outdoor area and alcohol service."

Summary: This came about because there was a site visit and the manner in which the business is set up the bulk of the employees are behind a counter. Therefore, the staff have no visibility from the inside of the premises (at least as to how the business is supposed to operate – counter ordering and pick up). Although the owner represented at the site visit they would have an employee on the floor monitoring, it was determined it would be best to add it as a condition, also in line with previous decisions made by the Board in similar situations.

Decision: Condition added/ratified.

12. Application #289021 Brent McDonald, Whole Foods Market, Common Victualler Lic. #12173, for a Special Noise Variance from 11/1/24 – 1/2/25, at 200 Alewife Brook Parkway, at all hours on an as needed basis, to operate two refrigerated trailers in the rear loading dock to accommodate additional products during the holiday season. The variance is sought as the existing indoor storage is insufficient to meet customer demand during the holidays.

Present: Investigator Tyler Bubenik.

Documents Considered: Application and documents attached thereto; and correspondence regarding application.

Summary: Typical application every year. There was one letter received opposing the variance due to possible noise.

Decision: Granted.

13. Application #288958 John Shaughnessy, Marr Crane & Rigging, for a Special Noise Variance on 9/28/24 (Alt. 9/29/24), at 42 Quincy Street, from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (variance hours 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.), to disassemble a tower crane using trucking and a mobile crane. The variance is sought to extend the day to accommodate the full scope of required work.

Decision: Granted.

14. Board Vote [Matter Heard September 9, 2024] Disciplinary - Middle East Restaurant, Inc. d/b/a Middle East, 472 Massachusetts Avenue, All Alcohol Common Victualler and Entertainment License #11691, for allegedly failing to provide aid to an intoxicated or injured person on April 27, 2024, in violation of G.L. c. 138, §§ 23 and 64 and Board's Rules 2, 8.1(b) and 8.2.

Summary: In the previous case referenced by the Investigator during their testimony on the issue of failure to call, this exact situation was raised – police/EMS not being called after an incident where a patron was hurt. It is Middle East's responsibility to call the police when there is a crime and when patrons are hurt in their premises.

In this case, the same situation arose and again Middle East failed to do what they are required to do per our rules and regulations. The Board was struck by their admission that they were not properly staffed, that they kept the patron for 90 minutes, that the patron was shaken and afraid and yet Middle East did not think of getting them evaluated. How can they think that a patron that needed to be accompanied for 90 minutes, that was assaulted, and that kept saying they were scared was in the condition to make decisions. In addition, the head of security said that they thought they acted the best way, that they did everything properly or the best. The Board was confused on to how we still here and under this mindset. They described as the patron a victim, they know it was not a fight, it was an assault and yet no call to the police or EMS. The Board has stated multiple times that regardless of whether the patron refuses, licensees need to call the police and EMS services. This has even been said in communications to licensees since the last incident for which Middle East was disciplined as to this issue, in communications and trainings that they have participated. Businesses are not equipped or trained to conduct investigations of crimes, which this was, or to determine whether an individual does not need medical assistance. The Board was shocked by the testimony and their absent mindlessness on what they did wrong.

The Board also noted that the argument from their counsel that the last violation was in 2019 was inaccurate. Middle East has been disciplined as to other matters. In 2019 was the last time they were disciplined as to this type of violation, but it is clear that they continue to offend the rule.

Decision: Violation, 2 days suspension.

15. Board Vote [Matters Heard September 11, 2024]

(a) Disciplinary Republic Services, Inc. d/b/a Republic Services, Solid Waste Hauler License #14078, for four counts of allegedly loading and unloading outside allowable hours on July 26, 2024 at 6:42 a.m., August 7, 2024 at 6:47 a.m., August 14, 2024 at 6:55 a.m., and August 20, 2024 at 6:41 a.m., at 1573 Cambridge Street in violation of CMC 8.16.080(E).

Summary: The ownership for Republic admitted to the violation of July 26 and contested the August violations. They stated they had truck GPS evidence showing they collected at or after 7:00 a.m. after the July incident. They were asked to submit the proof and provided printouts from 8/14 to the present. Based on the information provided on 8/14 they picked up after 7:00 a.m. and they did not even go to the site on 8/20 (they were there on the 21st and after 7 a.m.). However, there is nothing prior to August 14 even though multiple requests to supplement were provided. In addition, the representatives of Youville, the site where the collection is taking place, could not produce the photographic evidence they contended to have showing Republic picked up prior to 7:00 a.m. (the photographs they had were from before July 26). Both Republic and Youville raised the issue of deliveries/loading and unloading which may be done by other companies and for Spaulding Rehabilitation.

Decision: Violation for incidents of July 26 and August 7, \$300 fine per violation for a total fine of \$600. No violation for August 14 and 20 incidents.

(b) Disciplinary Property Ownership of Youville House Assisted Living, 1573 Cambridge Street, for four counts of allegedly allowing waste collection by Republic Services on their premises outside of the allowable hours on July 26, 2024 at 6:42 a.m., August 7, 2024 at 6:47 a.m., August 14, 2024 at 6:55 a.m., and August 20, 2024 at 6:41 a.m., at 1573 Cambridge Street in violation of CMC 8.16.080(E).

Summary: Incorporated by referenced and made a part hereof the deliberation on the previous matter. Added that they contended the box trucks referenced by the Republic driver that comes in prior to 7:00 a.m. and blocks off the area are delivering or providing services to Spaulding Rehabilitation which is on the same parcel. Youville stated they had attempted to terminate the contract with Republic early but Republic refused. Youville submitted evidence that they have sent Republic a non-renewal of contract letter but that takes effect in December. The Board wanted to check whether they had evidence showing that they had attempted to cancel the contract early and Republic's refusal.

Decision: Defer – waiting to receive correspondence from Youville showing they attempted to cancel the contract with Republic Services.

16. Reconsideration/Correction of Board Vote [Matter Heard September 11, 2024] Disciplinary - M&G Lawn and Landscape Services violation of 8.16.081.3(6), operating a leaf blower without a permit, violation of CMC 8.16.081.3(1), operating during a prohibited period on August 8, 2024, at 28 Fayerweather Street. Board only voted as to the prohibited period.

Summary: There was a waiver of hearing filed on this one admitting to both violations noted – operating without a permit and operating during a prohibited period. On September 9, the business submitted their application for a permit and have obtained one.

Decision: Ratified finding of violation for operating during a prohibited period and issued fine of \$300; as to operating without a permit, violation, warning.

17. Consideration of Statements of Hearings [Matters Heard September 11, 2024]

MC Landscaping & Construction Tree Service seven violations for operating a leaf blower at 91 Pearl Street: (1) without a permit in violation of 8.16.081.3(6) [three counts – July 13, August 17 and August 31, 2024]; (2) during a prohibited period, in violation of CMC 8.16.081.3(1) [three counts - July 13, August 17, and August 31, 2024]; and (3) prior to 9:00 a.m. on a Saturday, in violation of CMC 8.16.081.3(4) [one count - July 13 at 8:40 a.m.]. Issued \$300 fine per violation (7) for a total fine of \$2,100, and \$100 hearing fee for failure to appear.

John’s Landscape Service, Inc., Leaf Blower Permit #10678, two violations of CMC 8.16.081.3(1), operating a leaf blower during a prohibited period on July 25, 2024 at 931 Massachusetts Avenue, and August 28, 2024 at 56 Concord Avenue. Issued \$300 fine per violation (2) for a total fine of \$600.

SavATree, LLC d/b/a SavATree, Leaf Blower Permit #57615, violation of CMC 8.16.081.3(1), operating a leaf blower during a prohibited period on July 19, 2024, at 74 Sacramento Street. Issued \$300 fine.

JAW Waste Services, LLC d/b/a Boston Carting, Solid Waste Hauler License #65459, two violation of CMC 8.16.080(E), collecting waste outside of the allowable hours, at 12 Boardman Street on August 24, 2024, at 4:36 a.m. and at 15 Notre Dame Avenue on September 6, 2024, at 4:35 a.m. Issued \$300 fine per violation (2) for a total fine of \$600.

Decision: Approved as to all.

18. Consideration of Meeting Minutes September 9 & 11, 2024.

Decision: Approved as to both.

One Day License Applications

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.

19. Application #267844 Paddy’s Lunch Inc. d/b/a Paddy’s Lunch, 260 Walden Street, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #11694, for a malt and entertainment license on 9/29/24 from 10:00 a.m. –

7:00 p.m. (set up to commence at 7:00 a.m.) for a charity 5k and block party with patrons dancing, recorded music, DJ and amplification system. Expected attendance – 600.

Decision: Granted with the conditions that the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed is enclosed from the public way, and there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendants.

20. Application #283870 Kristen Kelleher, Department of Public Works, for an entertainment license at 60 Columbia Street, on 9/28/24 with rain date of 9/29/24 from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. for an art in the park event with recorded music, DJ and amplification system. Expected attendance – 300.

Decision: Granted, no license fee.

21. Application #285377 Satrick Uy, Harvard Square Philippine American Alliance, Inc. for an all alcohol license at 41 Church Street, on 10/6/24 with rain date of 10/13/24 from 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. for Oktoberfest/Festival. Expected attendance – 10,000.

Decision: Granted with amended start time of 11:00 a.m. per Permit, and the conditions that the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed is enclosed from the public way, and there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendants.

22. Application #285436 David Altshuler, Arrow Street, LLC d/b/a Arrow Street Arts, Inc., Entertainment License #257794, for a malt and wine and entertainment license at 2 Arrow Street, on 9/27, 9/28, 10/4, 10/5, 10/11, 10/12, 10/18, 10/19, 11/8, 11/9/24 from 12:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. for a theatrical production with performers/entertainers dancing, recorded music, live music, amplification system, theatrical exhibition/play/moving picture show and dynamic audio/visual show live/recorded. Expected attendance – 300.

Decision: Granted with the conditions that the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed is enclosed from the public way, and there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendants.

23. Application #285824 Saffana Anwar, Office of Equity and Inclusion, for an entertainment license at Inman Place on 9/30/24 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. for an outdoor celebration with performers/entertainers dancing, recorded music, live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 200.

Decision: Granted with amended hours of 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. per Permit, set up may commence at 6:00 a.m.; no license fee.

24. Application #287020 Michael Jonas, Swing City Boston, for an entertainment license at 680 Huron Avenue, on 10/5/24 with rain date of 11/9/24 from 6:30 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. for a swing dance with patrons dancing and amplification system. Expected attendance – 125.

Decision: Granted.

25. Application #287018 Michael Jonas, Swing City Boston, for an entertainment license at 680 Huron Avenue, on 12/7/24 with rain date of 2/1/25 from 6:30 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. for a swing dance with patrons dancing and amplification system. Expected attendance – 125.

Decision: Granted.

26. Application #287281 Paul Clark for a malt and entertainment license at 64 Sidney Street, on 10/6/24 with rain date of 10/13/24 from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon for a road race with recorded music, live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 2600.

Decision: Granted with the conditions that the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed is enclosed from the public way.

27. Application #287612 William Manley, Harvard Square Business Association, for an entertainment license at Harvard Square, on 10/6/24 with rain date of 10/13/24 from 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. (event 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. for Oktoberfest with patrons dancing, performers/entertainers dancing, recorded music, DJ, live music, amplification system, theatrical exhibition/play/moving picture show and floor show. Expected attendance – 25,000.

Decision: Granted with amended hours of 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. per Permit, set up may commence at 6:00 a.m.

28. Application #287736 Kate Silverman Wilson, MIT Museum, for an entertainment license at 314 Main Street, on 9/28/24 with rain date of 9/29/24 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for evening program for teens with performers/entertainers dancing and DJ. Expected attendance – 100.

Decision: Granted.

29. Application #287853 Steven Miller, Gallery 263, for a wine license at 263 Pearl Street, on 10/20/24 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. for a fundraiser. Expected attendance – 40.

Decision: Granted with the condition that there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendants.

30. Application #287883 Susan Woskie for an entertainment license at 13 Saville Street, on 9/28/24 with rain date of 9/29/24 from 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for a block party with patrons dancing, recorded music, DJ and amplification system. Expected attendance – 130.

Decision: Granted.

31. Application #287898 Alexander Maciel, Brotherhood of Saint John, for an all alcohol and entertainment license at 400 Cardinal Medeiros Avenue, on 10/19/24 from 6:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. for a

dinner/dance with patrons dancing, performers/entertainers dancing, DJ and amplification system.
Expected attendance – 250.

Decision: Granted with the condition that there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendants.

32. Application #288569 Kate Silverman Wilson, MIT Museum, for a wine and entertainment license at 314 Main Street, on 9/27/24 with rain date of 9/28/24 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. for a comedy fashion show with theatrical exhibition/play/moving picture show. Expected attendance – 95.

Decision: Granted, applicant must request police details.

33. Application #288489 Monica Vicente for a malt and wine license at 14 Brattle Street, on 10/6/24 with rain date of 10/12/24 from 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. for Oktoberfest. Expected attendance – 700.

Summary: This application comes from El Jefe’s Taqueria, Common Victualler License #185789.

Decision: Granted with the conditions that the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed is enclosed from the public way, and there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendants.

34. Application #288770 Danielle Pattavina, Harvard Square Business Association, for a malt and wine license at 1432 Massachusetts Avenue, on 10/6/24 with rain date of 10/13/24 from 8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. for Oktoberfest. Expected attendance – 10,000.

Summary: This request is coming from Momma’s Grocery & Wine, which is a package store #104153, at 2304 Massachusetts Avenue. They are intending to participate in Oktoberfest as a pouring licensee, not as a vendor of the package store.

Decision: Granted with amended hours of 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. per city permit, and the conditions that: the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed is enclosed from the public way; there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendants; and the wine and malt used cannot be comingled or come from the Momma’s Grocery & Wine store.

35. Application #288757 Brandon Gauthier, Cambridge Science Festival, for an entertainment license at 292 Main Street, on 9/29/24 from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. for science festival/carnival with performers/entertainers dancing, live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 10,000.

Summary: City Manager is requesting a fee waiver as this is a City sponsored event.

Decision: Granted, applicant must request police detail; no license fee.

36. Application #288760 Amanda Henley, Harvard Square Business Association, for a hawker/peddler license (16 vendors) at Arrow Street, on 9/29/24 from 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. to sell

jewelry, clothing & merchandise.

Decision: Granted.

37. Application #288916 Ellen Wilcox for an entertainment license at 47 Creighton Street, on 10/19/24 with rain date of 10/20/24 from 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. for a block party with DJ, live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 75.

Decision: Granted.

38. Application #289077 Anya Bear, MIT, for a malt and wine and entertainment license at 142 Memorial Drive, on 10/1/24 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. for an annual meeting with live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 300.

Decision: Granted, applicant must request police details.

39. Application #289167 Lupo Partners, Inc. d/b/a Gufo, 660 Cambridge Street, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #174713, for an entertainment license on 9/29/24 from 4:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. for a wedding with patrons dancing, recorded music, DJ and live music. Expected attendance – 130.

Decision: Granted.

40. Application #289156 Kevin Ebert, Harvard Museum of Science & Culture, for an all alcohol license at 26 Oxford Street, on 9/26/24 from 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. for an open house. Expected attendance – 300.

Decision: Granted with the condition that there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendants.

41. Application #289274 Joseph Juknievich, The Dance Complex, Entertainment License #11133, for a malt and wine license at 536 Massachusetts Avenue, on 9/27/24 from 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. for a party. Expected attendance – 80.

Decision: Granted.

42. Application #289574 Riley McLaughlin, Lamplighter Brewing Co. LLC, for a malt license at 325 Main Street, on 9/27/24 from 6:30 p.m.- 10:30 p.m. for a beer garden. Expected attendance – 400.

Decision: Granted with the conditions that the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed must be enclosed from the public way, and there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendants.

43. Application #289638 Jason Alves, East Cambridge Business Association, for a hawker/peddler license (20 vendors) at 544 Cambridge Street, on 9/29/24 from 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. to sell food and merchandise.

Decision: Granted, set up may commence at 8:00 a.m.

44. Application #289618 Jarim Ithier, DxArcade, Entertainment License #260303, for a malt and wine and entertainment license at 34 JFK Street, on 10/5/24 from 8:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m. for an arcade tournament with patrons dancing and DJ. Expected attendance – 75.

Summary: A site visit to this location, the area is tight. Not really sure how they plan to fit the entertainment, dancing and alcohol. We have asked Fire and ISD building to take a look. The Board needs to make sure the proposal is okay with these departments. In addition, the applicant was requested to provide additional input on how they plan to run the event.

Decision: Commissioner Cahill designated to vote for the Board on the application, including but not limited to denying or granting with conditions and modifications.

45. Application #289658 Nagina Mangal, Sidney Pacific, for a malt and wine and entertainment license at 70 Pacific Street, on 9/28/24 with rain date of 9/29/24 from 5:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. for a party with DJ. Expected attendance – 150.

Decision: Granted with amended hours of 7:00 p.m. – 11:59 p.m. per event registration form; applicant must request police detail.

46. Application #289683 Tricia DiDomenico, S.S. Cosmas and Damian Society, for an entertainment license at 17 Porter Street, on 9/27/24 with rain date of 9/28/24 from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. for an open house with patrons dancing, live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 250.

Decision: Granted.

47. Application #289748 Imam Bilal-Firmin, Black Biz Development, for an all alcohol license at 101 Rogers Street, on 9/29/24 from 4:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. for an awards ceremony and party. Expected attendance – 200.

Decision: Granted.

48. Application #288963 Michael Monestime, Central Square BID & Care Team, for an entertainment license at 5 Temple Street, on 10/1/24 with rain date of 10/8/24 from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. event runs 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. for a block party with patrons dancing, recorded music, DJ and amplification system. Expected attendance – 100.

Decision: Granted with amended hours of 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. per City Permit, may commence set up at 11:00 a.m.

49. Application #289976 Ruben Stephen, MIT Student Events Board, for an entertainment license at 84 Massachusetts Avenue, on 10/5/24 with rain date of 10/6/24 from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. for a

movie screening with amplification system, theatrical exhibition/play/moving picture show and floor show. Expected attendance – 600.

Decision: Granted with amended end time of 9:30 p.m. per event registration form; applicant must request police details.

Matters Considered At Meeting, 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.

50. Application #288355 Amanda Henley, Harvard Square Business Association, for a hawker/peddler license at Harvard Square, on 10/6/24 with rain date of 10/13/24 from 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell merchandise goods, arts, crafts and food.

Summary: Applicant has still not provided the list of vendors or the plan showing the location of the vendors.

Decision: Chair Murati Ferrer designated to vote for the Board on the application, including but not limited to denying or granting with conditions and modifications.

51. Application #290086 Meghan Cleary, Lamplighter Brewing Co., for a malt and entertainment license at 320 Morgan Avenue, on 10/4 (5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.) & 10/5/24 (2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.) for an Oktoberfest beer garden with DJ. Expected attendance 200.

Decision: Granted as requested for 10/4, granted with amended start time of 4:00 p.m. on 10/5 per permission letter, and with the condition that the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed must be enclosed from the public way.

52. Application #290170 Deena Anderson, Cambridge Arts, for an entertainment license at Jill Brown-Rhone Park, 385 Massachusetts Avenue, on 10/2/24 with rain date of 10/9/24 from 3:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. for a party with patrons dancing, recorded music, DJ and amplification system. Expected attendance – 30.

Summary: This is a City event and the Park Permit application is pending. The Park Permit application is for 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Not sure if that is going to be changed once the application goes under review.

Decision: Chair Murati Ferrer designated to vote for the Board on the application, including but not limited to denying or granting with conditions and modifications.

53. Application #290243 Jessica Sculley, Vintnicity, Inc. d/b/a Commonwealth Wine School, General on Premises All Alcohol License #67819, for a malt and wine license at JFK Street, on 10/6/24 with rain date of 10/13/24 from 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. for Oktoberfest. Expected attendance – 2000.

Decision: Granted with the conditions that the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed must be enclosed from the public way, and there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendants.

54. Application #290275 Adul Adio, Public, LLC d/b/a The Marketplace for a hawker/peddler license at 101 Roger Street, on 10/5/24 from 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. to sell art and clothing.

Decision: Granted.

55. Application #290300 Emma King, MIT Sloan Wine Club, for a wine license at 45 Hayward Street, on 9/24/24 from 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. for a wine tasting. Expected attendance – 45.

Decision: Granted with an amended start time of 7:30 p.m. per event registration form, and the condition that there must be a limited number of tastings (5) of one (1) ounce each associated with the admissions price, otherwise/thereafter the alcohol must be sold, and food must be served in conjunction with the tastings.

56. Application #290339 Harvard Square Business Association, for a hawker/peddler license (1 vendor) at Winthrop Street, on 9/26/24 from 11:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. to sell clothing.

Summary: There is no permit for the use of the location or pending application.

Decision: Chair Murati Ferrer designated to vote for the Board on the application, including but not limited to denying or granting with conditions and modifications.

57. Application #290348 Gitanjali Rao, South Asian Association of Students, for an entertainment license at 84 Massachusetts Avenue, on 10/5/24 from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. for a cultural event/dance with recorded music, DJ and amplification system. Expected attendance – 400.

Summary: The applicant has yet to submit the official event registration form from the university.

Decision: Chair Murati Ferrer designated to vote for the Board on the application, including but not limited to denying or granting with conditions and modifications.

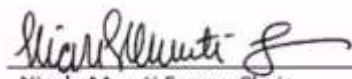
58. Application #290397 Derek Luangrath, Tomolly, Inc. d/b/a Charlie's Kitchen, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #11679, for a malt and wine license at 10 Eliot Street, on 10/6/24 with rain date of 10/13/24 from 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. for Oktoberfest block party. Expected attendance – 2000.

Decision: Granted with amended hours of 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. per city permit, and the conditions that the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed must be enclosed from the public way, and there cannot be any comingling of the alcohol or sales with the licensed premises.


By the Board of License Commissioners

Minutes Approved: October 9, 2024

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Nicole Murati Ferrer, Chair



Thomas Cahill, Jr., Fire Chief



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