CAMBRIDGE LICENSE COMMISSION HEARING

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CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON

POLICE COMMISSIONER ROBERT C. HAAS

FIRE CHIEF GERALD REARDON

STAFF: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ELIZABETH LINT

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ELIZABETH LINT: This is the License Commission Special Hearing, Monday, November 17, 2014. It is 2 p.m.

We are in the Michael J. Lombardi Building, 831 Mass. Ave, Basement Conference Room. Before you are the Commissioners Chair Andrea Jackson and Commissioner Robert Haas.

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CORRECTION - CHAZUMBA, LLC, D/B/A FELIPE'S TAQUERIA

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ELIZABETH LINT:

The only matter on the agenda is the correction: Chazumba, LLC, d/b/a, Felipe's Taqueria, Thomas Brush, manager, holder of a common victualler license and all alcoholic beverages restaurant license (pending ABCC approval) at 21 Brattle Street, to amend the alcohol hours on their approval to be 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. in accordance with the corporate vote. Correction.

This original vote was taken on October 30, 2014, and I have the corporate vote.

CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: Thanks.

Good afternoon.

ATTY KEVIN CRANE: Good afternoon, Madam Chair.

CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: Thank you for being here. I will give you an opportunity if there's anything you would like to add. ATTY KEVIN CRANE: I'll try to comment based on what I believe the issue is. First of all, it's Attorney Kevin Crane, 104 Mount Auburn Street, Cambridge, for the petitioner and to my left is Tom Brush, B-R-U-S-H.

First of all, I want to apologize for any of the confusion that I might have caused, and I take responsibility for that. I think there was -- my guard was let down probably a little bit towards the end of the hearing, and I think also that part of the confusion was that the common victualler license had already been approved, and the hours on the common victualler are 8 to 2 a.m., and usually we have the common victualler and the liquor license at the same time, but as you know from previous experience with the Bertucci's license there, we couldn't apply for the liquor license in advance while that license was still on the premises, so I

think that might have caused some of the confusion.

And I noted even later on, actually when I was reviewing my notes on this, too, it is interesting that the alcohol application license from the ABC has no listing as far as what the hours of operation are, which is a little confusing.

So we apply just for the 11 until 1:00, as per the corporate vote, and we're not looking for anything further as long as the common victualler license is in 8 a.m. to 2 a.m., the liquor from 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. seven days a week is fine with us.

Like I said, I think it was just a matter of confusion with the paper and basically emanating from the common victualler license having already been issued and different hours.

CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: Thank you.

Mr. Brush, anything you would like to add?

THOMAS BRUSH: Yes. I was under the impression, too, that it is was Sunday through Wednesday, it was until 1 a.m., and then Thursday, Friday and Saturday have the later hours, but if it's all -- it's at 1 a.m. every night?

ATTY KEVIN CRANE: 1 a.m. every night.

CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: At least that's what the corporate papers say.

THOMAS BRUSH: That's fine.

ATTY KEVIN CRANE: The food would be until 2.

THOMAS BRUSH: Until 2, right.

CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: Again, thank you both for coming in, I appreciate it, and I think, again, I think part of what was confusing was the CV was first, we came back for the rooftop, and came back again for the alcohol, so hopefully in terms of staff-wise we can put some better processes in place to make sure that doesn't happen again and inconvenience you.

CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: Any questions? Comments?

POLICE COMMISSIONER ROBERT HAAS: No questions.

CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: Are there any members of the public that wish to be heard?

Seeing none, I think we have to make two motions on this.

The first motion is, I make a motion that we rescind our vote from the October 30th hearing as it relates to the alcohol license for Felipe's. Is there a second?

POLICE COMMISSIONER ROBERT HAAS: Second.

CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: All those in favor signify by saying aye.

POLICE COMMISSIONER ROBERT HAAS: Aye.

CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: And the next motion is, I make a motion that we approve a.

Seven-day-a-week all alcohol license from 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. in accordance with the corporate vote for Chazumba, LLC, doing business as Felipe's Taqueria. Is there a second.

POLICE COMMISSIONER ROBERT HAAS: Second. CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: All those in favor signify by saying aye.

POLICE COMMISSIONER ROBERT HAAS: Aye.

CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: Aye.

ATTY KEVIN CRANE: Thank you.

THOMAS BRUSH: Thank you very much.

CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: I make a motion

that we adjourn.

POLICE COMMISSIONER ROBERT HAAS: Second.

CHAIR ANDREA JACKSON: All those in favor signify by saying aye.

POLICE COMMIS	SIONER	ROBERT	HAAS:	Aye.
CHAIR ANDREA	JACKSON	I: Aye.		
(Meeting was	adjoure	ed.)		

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