CITY OF NEWTON

BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

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Minutes

DATE: March 17, 2020 This meeting was conducted via conference call 617-454-5555 access code 1420

PRESENT: Commissioners Kathleen McCarthy and Dina Conlin

STAFF: Sgt. Kevin Rudd, Assistant City Solicitor Maura O'Keefe and Manuela Familia

TIME: 7:00PM – Discussion of temporary suspension of regulations

Due to COVID19, regulation 20 of the Newton Board of License Commission pertaining to filing fees, will be temporarily suspended until further notice. Approved 2-0

Discussion of update to regulations

Assistant City Solicitor Maura O'Keefe and the Commissioners discussed what to do in case an applicant made any misrepresentation in the application process. Attorney O'Keefe will put together a memo outlining current regulations, possible amendments and current ABCC regulations and process.

Discussion of beer gardens

Assistant City Solicitor Maura O'Keefe and the Commissioners discussed the possible process for beer gardens. Attorney O'Keefe informed the Commissioners that she had attended two meetings with various departments where they discussed concerns and possible application processes. It was discussed that beer gardens happening on public property, where the applicant is profiting from the use of municipal land, will go through a Request for Proposal (RFP). The Licensing Commission will put together a list of questions and requirements for the beer gardens RFP application process.

7:30PM – Regular meeting of the Board

The February 25, 2020 Minutes were approved 2-0.

APPROVAL OF ANNUAL SEASONAL PERMITS:

Sterling Golf (Restaurant Wine and Malt)
212 Kendrick Street, Newton MA 02458 Approved 2-0

Newton Yacht Club (All Alcohol)
12 Nonantum Road, Newton MA 02458 Approved 2-0

ONE DAY TEMPORARY WINE AND MALT LICENSE

Application filed by Quinell Feder, New Art Center, 61 Washington Park, Newton, MA 02460. For two (2) one-day temporary wine and malt licenses to be held at the New Art Center in Newton, 61 Washington Park, Newton, MA 02460.

Art with a Twist Friday, May 1, 2020 from 6:00PM – 9:00PM Estimated Attendance: 10, Ages: 30-80 Did not appear for hearing

ONE DAY TEMPORARY WINE AND MALT AND ENTERTAINMENT LICENSES

Application filed by David Sellers, 7 Saxony Road, Framingham, MA 01701. For a one-day temporary wine and malt license and an entertainment license for a boxing exhibition dinner on Saturday, April 18, 2020 from 6:00PM – 11:00PM to be held at the at The Boys and Girls Club, 675 Washington Street, Newton, MA 02460. Entertainment will consist of a DJ and recorded music. Estimated Attendance: 350, Ages: 16+. Application withdrawn

Application filed by Joanna Josephson, Cabot School PTO, 141 Blake Street, Newton, MA 02460. For a one-day temporary wine and malt license and an entertainment license for a party and silent auction Saturday, May 2, 2020 from 7:00PM – 11:00PM to be held at the at the Cabot School, 229 Cabot Street, Newton, MA 02460. Entertainment will consist of dancing by attendees, a DJ and amplification system. Estimated Attendance: 120-140, Ages: 21+. Application withdrawn

CHANGE OF HOURS

Application filed by Jandi Gamboa, Starbucks Licensing, P.O. Box 34442, S-Tax 2 Seattle, WA 98124. For a change of hours from Sunday through Saturday 6:00AM – 11:00PM to Sunday 6:00AM – 7:30PM, and Monday through Saturday 5:00AM – 8:30PM to be exercised at Starbucks Coffee, 244 Needham Street, Newton, MA 02464. Approved 2-0; Contingent upon receiving corporate vote.

NEW COMMON VICTUALLER

Application filed by Leonardis Baez, 18 Cary Lane, Foxboro, MA 02035. For a new common victualler license to be exercised at Cacao Newton, LLC d/b/a Cacao, 23 Lincoln Street, Newton, MA 02461. The manager will be Leonardis Baez. The hours of operation will be Sunday from 9:00AM – 6:00PM and Monday through Saturday from 9:00AM – 7:00PM. There will be 12 seats. Approved 2-0; Contingent upon receipt of signed floor plan, proof of insurance, Workers' Compensation Insurance, certificate of occupancy and food permit.

NEW COMMON VICTUALLER AND ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE

Application filed by Mark Dufton, 800 Boylston Street, 27th Fl, Boston, MA 02219. For a new common victualler and annual entertainment license to be exercised at Caffe Nero Americas, Inc d/b/a Caffe Nero, 28 Austin Street, Newton, MA 02460. The manager will be Sayda Mota. The hours of operations will be Sunday through Saturday from 5:30AM – 9:00PM. There will be 86 seats. Entertainment will consist of background music via music box. All approved 2-0; Contingent upon receipt of signed floor plan, certificate of occupancy and food permit.

CHANGE OF LOCATION

Application filed by Yervand Ghazaryan, 24 Whittier Road, Natick, MA 01760. For change of location of an all alcohol package store license from 241 Needham Street, Newton, MA 02464 to 447 Centre Street, Newton, MA 02458, to be exercised by PDJ Ventures, LLC d/b/a Newton Warehouse Wine & Spirits. Approved 2-0; Contingent upon receipt of amended financial disclosure page, lease, signed floor plan, certificate of occupancy, legal ad and certified mail return receipts.

NEW ALL ALCOHOL LICENSE, NEW COMMON VICTUALLER AND ENTERTAINMENT LICENSES

Application filed by Tony Liang, 696 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA 02170. For a new all alcohol restaurant license, a new common victualler and an annual entertainment license to be exercised at Fuji at WP, LLC d/b/a Fuji at WP, 239-243 Walnut Street, Newtonville, MA 02481. The manager will be Peter Tse. There will be 122 seats. The hours of operation will be Sunday through Saturday from 11:00AM – 1:00AM. Entertainment will consist of radio, music player and television. All approved 2-0; Contingent upon signed lease, Worker's Compensation Insurance, Tips for Peter Tse and certificate of occupancy.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16PM.

Respectfully submitted by: Manuela Familia Administrative Clerk