

**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION/PERMITS & LICENSES**  
**AUGUST 26, 2013**

**PRESENT:**

P. BLAKE  
G. KELLY  
T. MISKEL  
J. PORCELLI  
M. SHAMES

D. BRAVO  
H. LINK  
R.MYERS  
T. REEVES  
M. SILVERMAN

H. FEDER  
S. LONIAL  
L. PINN  
G. REILLY

**EXCUSED:**

E. ANDERSON

S. MILLER

B. STOLTZ

**ABSENT:**

L. SONES

D. YESKEL

**GUESTS:**

R. LALCHANDANI  
A. GAUDET  
J. BISCAINO  
B. MORO

G. CASIMIR  
B. QUILLEN  
E. CAUSIL-RODRIGUEZ

C. PADILLO  
J. FRIEDMAN  
M. FERRARI

**\*\*\*MINUTES\*\*\***

**Review of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of BK-IX Restaurant & Bar, LLC at 62 5th Avenue (between Bergen Street/Saint Marks Avenue) in our district.**

The applicant presented proof of notification and supplied the committee members with responses to the Brooklyn CB 6 questionnaire. The applicant indicated that the intention was to open a Caribbean fusion restaurant at the location that had been a bakery/luncheonette. The applicant represented that the restaurant would be for 73 or fewer people and that there would be no request for a public assembly permit. There is no outdoor space and no sidewalk café for which the applicant is applying.

In recognition that this would be his last meeting with us Harry Feder was asked to make the motion. He moved that the application be approved as presented and Tom Miskel seconded the motion. The motion passed with 11 votes in favor and 1 abstention from Pauline who stated that it was because she is on the 78th Precinct Community Council. There was a quorum present.

**VOTE: 11.....YEAS 0.....NAYS 1.....ABSTENTION**  
**MOTION PASSED**

**Review of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Lady Bird Brooklyn LLC at 213 Union Street (between Clinton Street/Henry Street) in our district.**

The applicant presented proof of notification and supplied the committee members with responses to the Brooklyn CB 6 questionnaire. The applicant stated that he intended to open a cruelty-free vegan restaurant. It would seat 50 at tables and 10 at the bar. He stated that there was a dearth of cruelty-free places in the City and particularly in Brooklyn. The location on Union Street is zoned for residential but there has been a continuing legal non-conforming commercial use as an eatery. They are going from 3 stories of commercial to 1 story with residential on the upper floors. Applicant wished to be open seven days per week from 11 AM until 2 PM. There is outdoor space but the application does not call for the use of such space and applicant stated that such space would not be used without making further application to SLA and the committee. There are French doors and applicant agreed to keep them closed after 10 PM on weekends and 9 PM on weekdays. One community member was present and she was concerned about noise. Applicant stated that he operated other locations in Manhattan without incident.

Joseph Porcelli moved that with the stipulation that the establishment close at 1 AM rather than 2 AM and close the French Doors by 10 PM, that the application be approved and with the applicant having stated consent to the stipulations Pauline seconded the motion. Regina stated that previously a location on Sackett Street that had a commercial overlay had been rejected due to the residential character of the block and that she felt that this location was a similar circumstance without even having a commercial overlay. Others pointed out that there had been continuous commercial use and that there was a reduction in overall commercial usage. The motion was approved by a vote of 7 in favor with 4 opposed and 2 abstentions. Sayar indicated that his negative vote was based on the restriction of the hours from 2 to 1 o'clock. There was a quorum present.

**VOTE: 7.....YEAS 4.....NAYS 2.....ABSTENTIONS**  
**MOTION PASSED**

**Review of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Young Fox Inc. dba Grand Central Oyster Bar and Restaurant at 254-258 5th Avenue (between Garfield Place/Carroll Street) in our district.**

The applicant presented proof of notification and supplied the committee members with responses to the Brooklyn CB 6 questionnaire. Applicant intends to open a franchise of the Grand Central Oyster Bar and Restaurant. It will remain open until 1 AM on Friday and Saturday and until 11 PM on weekdays. There will be no use of outside space.

Applicant intends to serve 3 varieties of fish a day and specialize in seafood. Seafood will be primarily sourced from the local area (such as Connecticut) however it will not be harvested from the Gowanus Canal area.

A motion to approve as presented was made by Glenn Kelly and seconded by Harry Feder. The motion passed with 12 votes in favor and 2 abstentions (it should be noted that an additional member of the committee arrived after the prior vote.) There was a quorum present.

**VOTE: 12.....YEAS 0.....NAYS 2.....ABSTENTIONS**  
**MOTION PASSED**

**Review of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Kao Soy Inc. at 283 Van Brunt Street (between Pioneer Street & Visitation Place) in our district.**

The applicant presented proof of notification and supplied the committee members with responses to the Brooklyn CB 6 questionnaire. Applicant intends to open a Thai restaurant. She has extensive experience with Thai restaurants in the Brooklyn CB6 area. Although there is a backyard 20' by 40' backyard space it is not included as part of the space and is not part of the application. The restaurant will not have loud music or DJ's as in past places she worked and left.

Matt Silverman moved to approve as presented and Hildegard Link seconded the motion that passed unanimously. A quorum was present.

**MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY**

A motion was made by Tom Miskel and seconded by Sayar Lonial to approve the minutes of the prior meeting and it passed unanimously. A quorum was present.

A motion to adjourn was made by Joe Porcelli and seconded by Harry Feder and it passed unanimously and quorum was present and rapidly heading for the door.

Miscellaneous: It should be noted that the view was terrific. There was no air conditioning and there was considerable grumbling about that fact. A small group adjourned to a local bar and said so long to Harry. We of course paid for our drinks and left an appropriate tip.

Minutes submitted by Mark Shames.