

BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION/PERMITS & LICENSES
JANUARY 27, 2014

PRESENT:

Z. ABRAMS
D. BRAVO
G. KELLY
R. MYERS
T. REEVES
B. STOLTZ

E. ANDERSON
E. CAUSIL-RODRIGUEZ
S. LONIAL
J. PORCELLI
G. REILLY
R. UNDERWOOD

P. BLAKE
J. FRIEDMAN
T. MISKEL
M. RACIOPPO
M. SHAMES

EXCUSED:

S. MILLER
M. SCOTT

L. PINN

M. SILVERMAN

GUESTS:

E. MALTBY
M. GLAZER
A. CARABALLO
Z. LUCAS

F. STEPHENS
Y. DUARTE
N. JOSEPHER

S. ETTLINGER
W. SECSOD
S. PRANCK

*****MINUTES****

Meeting began at 6:41pm

Presentation and review for a new unenclosed sidewalk café on behalf of Marco's Brooklyn, Inc. dba Franny's at 348 Flatbush Avenue (between 8th Avenue/Sterling Place) to permit 4 tables and 10 seats.

The applicant met all preconditions to be heard by the committee.

Applicant presented drawings; explained plans for 10 seats in front of Franny's. Applicants expressed that they have done all required community notifications. No complaints on file. Question raised about the distance from meter machine – applicant explained distance is 8'6".

Motion by Thomas Miskel to accept as presented; seconded by Regina Myers. Call to question.

MOTION APPROVED: UNANIMOUSLY.

Review of an alteration to a current on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Marco's Brooklyn, Inc. at 346-348 Flatbush Avenue (between 8th Avenue/Sterling Place).

Motion to approve the alteration of liquor license was made by Joe Porcelli, seconded by Trudy Reeves. Call to question,

MOTION APPROVED: UNANIMOUSLY.

Presentation and review for the renewal of a unenclosed sidewalk café permit application submitted to the Department of Consumer Affairs on behalf of Marco Polo Take Out LLC. dba Enoteca at 347 Court St. (between President/Union Streets to permit 4 tables and 8 seats.

The applicant met all preconditions to be heard by the committee. Brief discussion of renewal. Motion to approve by Glenn Kelly, second by Tom Miskel. No comments from committee. Call to question.

MOTION APPROVED: UNANIMOUSLY

Review of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of 404 Henry St. Corp. at 404 Henry Street (between Kane/Baltic Streets).

The applicant met all preconditions to be heard by the committee. Already have license beer and wine; looking for liquor license.

Question from committee about how long they've been open with beer and wine. Applicant indicated 1 year.

Question from committee about whether there was community notification. The applicant provided certification of notice.

Motion that application be approved subject to the SLA taking into consideration the very close proximity of PS 29. Committee asked that a letter be sent by District Manager making clear this request (that actual distance be measured). Motion made by Joe Porcelli and seconded by Pauline Blake. Friendly amendment made by Sayar Lonial that approval is contingent that the applicant is not <200 feet from PS 29. Called to Question by Pauline Blake.

MOTION APPROVED: UNANIMOUSLY

Review of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of The Chocolate Room at 51 5th Avenue (between St. Marks Avenue/Bergen Street).

The applicant met all preconditions to be heard by the committee.

Intention is not to have a full bar but instead to complement existing dessert menu; "10 drinks to add to hot chocolate." Applicant has notified neighborhood. Outside space -

there is a small outside patio. Applicant expressed willingness to be flexible about seating.

Motion to accept as presented by Glen Kelly; Second by Bette Stoltz.

MOTION APPROVED: UNANIMOUSLY

Review of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Solivan Services dba Orchard at 257 Columbia Street (between Carroll/President Streets).

The applicant met all preconditions to be heard by the committee. Anthony Caraballo representing; Olga Solovyeva is business owner. 9 tables, 36 seats. No outdoor seating. 1200 sq feet. Business owner's background is catering in Russia.

There will be live music on Thursday, Friday, Saturday "on the acoustic side."

Question about the nursery upstairs; applicant referenced outreach log. Music will play from about "8 to 10 or 11". Applicant said they will be putting sound protection in the roof; discussion that nursery may close at 6pm.

Discussion ensued that the sign out front indicates a school on premise; follow-up discussion that the 200 feet rule does not apply for nursery schools. Discussion about need for mixed use given the on-going pressure for pre-K seats; Continued discussion that this actually a "family care center", and not a school. Betty Stoltz raised a question about where the strollers are parked. Applicant indicated that there is stroller storage. Pauline Blake asked a question about the entrance and egress re: strollers pictured; applicant indicated that the position of strollers was not indicative of where they are usually. Motion to accept as presented by Sayar Lonial and seconded by Mike Racioppo. Called to question.

VOTE: 16.....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 K G Carroll Gardens LLC dba Kimchi Grill at 478 Smith Street (between Garnet/West 9th Streets).

The applicant met all preconditions to be heard by the committee. Other location in Prospect Heights has full liquor license.

Applicant explained that they will be doing counter-service; serving 5-7 alcoholic drinks such as Mimosas, Bloody Marys, Margaritas. Also will do Sochu (Korean alcohol). Fronts on W 9th. Used to be a pizza store. Pauline Blake raised question about community notification; Applicant indicated that community notification has happened since

application was made. Bette Stoltz made motion to approve as presented; seconded by Joe Porcelli.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY.

Review of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of 3 Avenue Corp. at 286 3RD Avenue (between Carroll/President Streets).

D/B/A Jefferson Lounge. The applicant met all preconditions to be heard by the committee. Applicant indicated they will be playing background music. Pauline Blake has a question about community contact. Applicant demonstrated picture evidence of notifications. Question about certificate of occupancy; Applicant indicated on-going construction. Question from floor about what was there before – applicant said it was an office; question about whether the place is conforming or non-conforming. Pauline asked question about whether applicant can apply for liquor license while construction is going on – explanation that license will not be issued until certificate of occupancy is issued. Motion to accept as presented made by Sayar Lonial and seconded by Joe Porcelli. Call to Question.

MOTION APPROVED: UNANIMOUSLY

Review of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Khaw Thai Inc. at 344 7th Avenue (between 9th/10th Streets).

The applicant met all preconditions to be heard by the committee. Question about backyard – yes, they have a backyard but do not intend to use. Close at 11pm. No sidewalk café permit. Motion to accept as presented made by Tom Miskel; seconded by Mike Racioppo. Call to Question.

MOTION APPROVED: UNANIMOUSLY

Motion by Mark Shames to accept minutes for November meeting as presented and as amended for December 23rd to reflect that the following people who were marked absent should be marked instead excused in December: Gary Reilly, Regina Myers, Rob Underwood.

Discussion ensued on application requirements for applicants.

Motion to adjourn at 7:43pm – Thomas Miskel seconded by Mike Racioppo.

Minutes submitted by Robert Underwood.