

BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6
PERMITS & LICENSES
March 26, 2018

Attendance:

P. Blake	P	E. Causil-Rodriguez	A	L. Pinn	A
L. Branch	P	R. Freeman	P	M. Racioppo	P
K. Broughton	P	G. Kelly	E	J. Skaller	P
M. Carter	A	T. Miskel	E	M. Vacheresse	E

P = present, E = excused, A = absent

Guests:

M. Murphy	J. Armer	J. Breuer
M. Grandin	E. Yee	M. Amato
V. Carter	J. Novoa	

****THESE MINUTES ARE CONSIDERED A DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED AT THE
SUBSEQUENT PERMITS & LICENSES MEETING****

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 and due to the lack of quorum the minutes from the committees February meeting could not be approved.

Presentation and review of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Chipotle Mexican Grill of Colorado LLC located at 185 7th Avenue (between 1st /2nd Streets).

The attorney for Chipotle Mexican Grill of Colorado LLC, Jessica Brewer, stated that this was an application for a full liquor license but that the establishment's alcohol menu, in line with other Chipotles, will be limited to serving beer and tequila margaritas.

The corporation policy only allows one drink per ID, and alcoholic beverages are served in distinctive red cups as opposed to clear cups for non-alcoholic beverages. The applicant's attorney further represented that all Chipotle employees are required to complete a certification course on serving alcohol. The establishment will close at 10pm, there is no outdoor space or French doors and the music will be background & recorded music.

There was a question from the community as to Chipotle's length of experience serving liquor. The applicant said it has been many years but was not sure of the precise start date.

Committee members noted that this applicant was tabled last month due to lack of outreach but they had now fulfilled that requirement.

Pauline Blake made a recommendation to approve the application as presented which was seconded by Leroy Branch.

Recommendation passed unanimously.

VOTE: 3.....YEAS 0.....NAYS 0.....ABSTENTIONS

**** Please note the change in the order of the agenda as we took this applicant 1st since 347 Van Brunt was not yet there****

Presentation and review of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Meamato LLC at 293 Van Brunt Street (between Pioneer/King Streets).

Mary Ellen Amato, who is the chef for Memato LLC that operates as Rita's presented.

The space, which was most recently occupied by "Hometown" features light daytime menu with slight Spanish influences. There will only be recorded background music, a small backyard space and operating until 10 pm with exception of Friday and Saturday they intend to stay open until 11pm.

3 neighbors came to speak in favor of the application.

Leroy Branch made a recommendation to approve the application as presented with the stipulations that the kitchen and operation hours are agreed to and a notarized form indicating that be submitted to the board office prior to the April General board meeting.

At the end of this application more committee members arrived but quorum was still not achieved.

VOTE: 4.....YEAS 0.....NAYS 1.....ABSTENTION WITHOUT CAUSE

Presentation and review of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Chief's Tasty Catering LLC at 347 Van Brunt Street (between Wolcottt /Dikeman Streets).

James Novoa, part owner and chef of Chief's Tasty Catering LLC presented and spoke on behalf of himself and his partners,.

This restaurant will do business as the "The Copper Pot" and operate in the space most recently occupied by Hope & Anchor and will maintain the same hours as well, possibly, continuing the popular karaoke nights.

The menu will be "New American" and serve breakfast lunch and dinner. There is no outdoor space and the music will be recorded and will close every day at midnight.

The committee noted that this applicant was tabled at the February meeting due to lack of outreach but had now done the proper notification, this included, notably committee member Leroy Branch who lives on the block of the applicant and, unlike at the February meeting, received notification.

There was a community member who lives in close proximity who stated that while he is entirely supportive of the application, he hopes that there can be work done to reduce the exhaust from the restaurants air conditioning system.

Mr Novoa stated he was very willing and there are plans to do just that already in the works.

Community Board Treasurer, Jerry Armer, who attended the meeting and is also a member of the community asked about the proximity to PS 15 which is across the street with its main entrance on Sullivan Street.

The committee explained that it's dependent on the location of the schools entrance as to whether or not it would be affected by what's known as the "200 foot rule".

Josh Skaller made a recommendation to approve the application as presented with the stipulation highlighted by Pauline Blake that the Air Conditioning system would be fixed as it pertains to the neighbor who highlighted the concern.

VOTE: 5.....YEAS 0.....NAYS 0.....ABSTENTIONS

There was no new business and Leroy Branch made a motion to adjourn at 7:04PM.

Minutes were submitted by Committee Chair Michael Racioppo