

CITY OF NEW YORK MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 10

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Resolution: Support of the Liquor License Application of The Park Wine Bar, LLC, located at 2080 Frederick Douglass Boulevard, New York, NY 10026.

WHEREAS, the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) has the jurisdiction to issue on-premise licenses according to the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Laws, and is responsible for enforcing those laws; and

WHEREAS, Manhattan Community Board 10 reviews all new applications and offers guidance to the SLA about the potential impact of a license on public safety and quality of life in our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Community Boards, as part of their due diligence process review an applicant's ownership and funding; floor plans of the proposed location, food and beverage to be served; operational aspects of the restaurant/bar or lounge; price points; employee hiring processes; employee wages and benefits; and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, The Park Wine Bar, LLC is applying for a Liquor License for an establishment to be known as The Park Wine Bar located at 2080 Frederick Douglass Boulevard, New York, NY 10026; and

WHEREAS, The Park Wine Bar, LLC is solely owned by Lewis Tucker-Farrugia; and

WHEREAS, The Park Wine Bar, LLC appeared before Community Board 10's Economic Development Committee on December 13, 2012 and presented the following information;

- 1. The Park Wine Bar's owner, Lewis Tucker, earned a degree in finance from Tuskegee University in 1990, and has worked since then as a recording industry executive.
- 2. The Park Wine Bar proposes to offer a menu of American/Asian tapas and sharable plates as well as fine wine, champagne and premium spirits. The menu will be prepared by Chef Roble Ali who has appeared on the Bravo's TV show "Chef Roble & Co."
- **3.** In addition to a full-service bar, The Park Wine Bar will utilize self-service wine machines where wine and champagne will be purchased using smart cards purchased at the restaurant.

- **4.** The Park Wine Bar's floor plans include approximately 2,000 square feet of interior space on the ground floor level, 900 square feet in of basement space to be utilized as a kitchen and office, and an approximately 700 square foot exterior, rear-yard patio. The Park Wine Bar proposes to apply for a sidewalk café license that would provide approximately 200 square feet for sidewalk seating.
- **5.** The Park Wine Bar will seat 74 patrons in the interior and approximately 30 patrons in the rear-yard patio.
- **6.** The Park Wine Bar's interior will be open from Monday to Wednesday, 4:00 pm to 2:00 am, Thursday, 4:00 pm to 3:00 am, Friday and Saturday, 11:00 am to 4:00 am, and Sunday, 10:00 am to 2:00 am.
- 7. The Park Wine Bar's rear-yard patio will be open, weather permitting, until 10:00 pm from Sunday to Thursday and until midnight on Friday and Saturday during the school season. During summer school vacation, the rear-yard patio will be open until 11:00 pm from Sunday to Thursday and until midnight on Friday and Saturday.
- **8.** The Park Wine Bar will play background music consisting primarily of soul classics and jazz electronica and will not have live amplified music or other entertainment. Background music on the patio will be played until 10:00 pm from Sunday to Thursday and until 10:00 pm on Friday and Saturday. The interior premises will be sound-proofed.
- **9.** The Park Wine Bar will create 8 10 new employment opportunities and several part-time positions. Employment opportunities will include an Operations Manager, a Wine Director, a Food and Beverage Manager, a Kitchen Manager, a Marketing Director, a Mixologist, a Maître D, bartenders, waitstaff and line and prep cooks.
- **10.** Harlem Shake will pay compensation commensurate with job title, experience and scope of work.
- 11. The Park Wine Bar will seek to hire employees from the community by working with NY Business Solutions, Harlem Park to Park and the Frederick Douglass Boulevard Alliance.

WHEREAS, Omnity Consulting has produced letters of support from Harlem Park to Park and the Harlem Community Development Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Committee on December 13, 2012 voted 12-yes, 0-no, and 0-abstentions to support this application;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on January 2, 2013 the Manhattan Borough Community Board 10 supports the Liquor License application of The Park Wine Bar LLC with a vote of 26 in favor, 5 opposed and 1 abstention.