

Community Board 12 Licensing Committee

Minutes

Wednesday, January 10, 2017

Committee Members Present: Isidro Medina (IM) Chair, Gerard Dengel (GD) Assistant Chair, Osi Kaminer (OK) Co Assistant Chair, Jason Compton (JC2), Robin Cruz (RC), Edgar Roman (ER)

Public Member Present: Matthew Levy (ML)

Committee Members Excused: Jennifer Chung (JC1)

Committee Members Absent:

CB12 Members Present: Richard Lewis, 1st Vice Chair

CB12 Staff Members Present: Paola Garcia, Ely Silvestre

Government Officials Present: Claudia Carias, Senator Alcantara Rep,

Community Members Present: Josh Frank (Tampopo), Philip Kuzel (VIP Rest & Catering), Juan Jimenez (VIP Rest & Catering), Katherine O'sullivan (MFU), Nancy Preston (MFU), Michael Lee (Café Bark), Maria Palegr, Nobles Crawford, Bill Zoisy, Oueslati Haithem (Taszo Coffee), Victor Santos (Vida Café Inc), Jose hoper

33rd Precinct Representative: PO Peter Valentine, Detective Rodriguez

34th Precinct Representative: PO Matthew Pana

Minutes: Submitted by Osi Kaminer

The meeting was called to order at 6:41 pm

A. Welcome & Opening Remarks – Isidro Medina, Chair

Chair Medina asked for a moment of silence for long time Community Board Member and Chair Pamela Planque-North who passed a way on January 5th, 2018.

B. State Liquor Authority Renewal Licenses

On-Premises Liquor License

1. La Rueda Restaurant Inc. dba Tu Sabor Latino Restaurant - 3862 – 3864 Broadway (corner of W 161st St) 10032

Establishment Information	License # 1259597 Expiration 1/31/18 On- Premises Liquor License, Renewal Restaurant, full kitchen and menu
Owner Information	Rosa Martinez 212-740-1313
Representative Information	

How many On-Premise (OP) Liquor licenses are within 500 feet of this premise?	SLA LAMP: Two (2) SLA form: No CB12 questionnaire:
Is this premise within 200 feet of any school or place of worship?	No
Method of Operation	Recorded Music only
Sound Limiter installed on all associated equipment	
Space “effectively” soundproofed	
Third Party Promoters & regulations	
Security Personnel / How Many?	
Are all Security Personnel “New York State Licensed”	
Security Camera / How Many?	
Does / will this business operate in compliance with all applicable NYC / NYS Agency Codes & Regulations	
Are all current / previous alterations in compliance with all applicable NYC / NYS Agency Codes & Regulations	
Hours of Operations	
Total Space Capacity / Number of persons permitted by law	
Total Number of Employees	
Total Number of Tables / Chairs Indoors	
Licensed Outdoor Area Total Tables / Chairs	None
How many SLA violations has this establishment previously been charged with	
What is the total (\$) value of SLA fines this establishment has received to date since receipt of renewal of the license	
Are there any pending SLA charges against this establishment	
How many DEP / noise complaints has this establishment received since receipt or renewal of license	
33rd Precinct	No objections, no issues
Stipulations	None
Community Comments	None

Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No show No questionnaire was submitted for review Restaurant grade: Pending CB12 resolution dated 2/26/16: no objection The restaurant is on the street level of a six (6) story Mixed Residential and Commercial building with 28 residential units (R8 with C1-4 Commercial overlay without on-site parking, BBL 1021200001)
	Committee Vote
Yes	IM GD OK JC2 RC ML ER
No	
Abstain	
Not Voting	

Restaurant Wine License

2. Tampopo LLC dba Tampopo Ramon 1-15 Bennett Ave (btw W 181 st & W 184 St) 10033

Establishment Information	License # 1292509 Expiration 2/28/18 Restaurant Wine License, Renewal Restaurant, full kitchen and menu
Owner Information	Frank Joshua, Mameudafrank Nanae 212-923-0573 , 917-742-6040 tampopocatering@gmail.com
Representative Information	
How many On-Premise (OP) Liquor licenses are within 500 feet of this premise?	SLA LAMP: Two (2) SLA form: Yes CB12 questionnaire: left blank
Is this premise within 200 feet of any school or place of worship?	No
Method of Operation	Recorded Music
Sound Limiter installed on all associated equipment	Yes
Space "effectively" soundproofed	Yes
Third Party Promoters & regulations	Yes
Security Personnel / How Many?	No
Are all Security Personnel "New York State Licensed"	N/A
Security Camera / How Many?	Yes / 3
Does / will this business operate in compliance with all applicable NYC / NYS Agency Codes & Regulations	Left blank
Are all current / previous alterations in compliance with all applicable NYC / NYS Agency Codes & Regulations	Yes

Hours of Operations	Monday to Thursday 12PM to 10PM Friday & Saturday 12 PM -11 PM Sunday 12PM to 10PM
Total Space Capacity / Number of persons permitted by law	16
Total Number of Employees	6
Total Number of Tables / Chairs Indoors	8 / 16 / 12 bar stools
Licensed Outdoor Area Total Tables / Chairs	3 / 7
How many SLA violations has this establishment previously been charged with	Left blank
What is the total (\$) value of SLA fines this establishment has received to date since receipt of renewal of the license	Left blank
Are there any pending SLA charges against this establishment	Left blank
How many DEP / noise complaints has this establishment received since receipt or renewal of license	Left blank
34th Precinct	No objections
Stipulations	None
Community Comments	None
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restaurant grade as of 11/27/17 "A" • CB12 renewal resolution dated 3/25/16: no objection • CB12 Sidewalk Café resolution dated 1/24/17: no objection • The restaurant is on the street level of a six (6) story Mixed Residential and Commercial building with 56 residential units (R7-2 with C1-4 Commercial overlay without on-site parking, BBL 1021800090)
	Committee Vote
Yes	GD OK JC2 RC ML ER
No	
Abstain	
Not Voting	IM conflict of interest

Tavern Wine License

3. Taszo Coffee LLC 5 Edward M Morgan Place (btw W 157 St & W 158 St) 10032

Establishment Information	License # 1275622 Expiration 1/31/18 Tavern Wine License, Renewal Menu meets legal min food avail requirements
Owner Information	Oueslati Haithem, Gastaldi Simone 917-365-9499 taszo5e@gmail.com
Representative Information	
How many On-Premise (OP) Liquor licenses are within 500 feet of this premise?	SLA LAMP: One (1) SLA form: CB12 questionnaire: Zero (0)

Is this premise within 200 feet of any school or place of worship?	No
Method of Operation	Recorded Music, Live Music: light
Sound Limiter installed on all associated equipment	Yes
Space “effectively” soundproofed	Yes
Third Party Promoters & regulations	No
Security Personnel / How Many?	No
Are all Security Personnel “New York State Licensed”	N/A
Security Camera / How Many?	Yes / left blank
Does / will this business operate in compliance with all applicable NYC / NYS Agency Codes & Regulations	Yes
Are all current / previous alterations in compliance with all applicable NYC / NYS Agency Codes & Regulations	Yes
Hours of Operations	7AM to 11PM seven (7) days a week
Total Space Capacity / Number of persons permitted by law	45
Total Number of Employees	8-10
Total Number of Tables / Chairs Indoors	10 / 20 / 13 bar stools
Licensed Outdoor Area Total Tables / Chairs	None
How many SLA violations has this establishment previously been charged with	None
What is the total (\$) value of SLA fines this establishment has received to date since receipt of renewal of the license	Zero
Are there any pending SLA charges against this establishment	No
How many DEP / noise complaints has this establishment received since receipt or renewal of license	None
33 rd Precinct	No objections
Stipulations	None
Community Comments	None
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five years in business • Restaurant grade as of 10/10/17 “A” • CB12 resolution dated 1/27/16: no objection • The restaurant is on the street level of a two (2) Commercial and Office building (R8 with C1-4 Commercial overlay without on-site parking, BBL 1021340180)
	Committee Vote
Yes	IM GD OK JC2 RC ML ER
No	

Abstain	
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F. State Liquor Authority New Licenses:

On-Premises Liquor License

4. Café Bark Inc. dba Café Bark 833 W 181 St (btw Cabrini Blvd & Pinehurst Ave) 10033

Establishment Information	License # Expiration On- Premises Liquor License, Restaurant, full kitchen and menu
Owner Information	Chris, Lin Yidi 917-721-6319, 718-423-2500 cchung@orgyncorp.com
Representative Information	
How many On-Premise (OP) Liquor licenses are within 500 feet of this premise?	SLA LAMP: Five (5) SLA form: Yes CB12 questionnaire: TBD
Is this premise within 200 feet of any school or place of worship?	No
Method of Operation	Juke Box, iPod, recorded music only
Sound Limiter installed on all associated equipment	Yes
Space “effectively” soundproofed	Yes
Third Party Promoters & regulations	No
Security Personnel / How Many?	No
Are all Security Personnel “New York State Licensed”	N/A
Security Camera / How Many?	Yes / 4
Does / will this business operate in compliance with all applicable NYC / NYS Agency Codes & Regulations	Yes
Are all current / previous alterations in compliance with all applicable NYC / NYS Agency Codes & Regulations	Yes
Hours of Operations	8AM to 1AM seven (7) days a week
Total Space Capacity / Number of persons permitted by law	75
Total Number of Employees	4
Total Number of Tables / Chairs Indoors	5 / 15 / 10 bar stools
Licensed Outdoor Area Total Tables / Chairs	
How many SLA violations has this establishment previously been charged with	None
What is the total (\$) value of SLA fines this establishment has received to date since receipt of renewal of the license	No
Are there any pending SLA charges against this establishment	None

How many DEP / noise complaints has this establishment received since receipt or renewal of license	Zero
34th Precinct	The Precinct asked to meet with the owner
Stipulations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The owner must meet with the 34th Precinct prior to the GM on 1/23/18 • Post a publicly displayed Good Neighbor sign • Post a publicly displayed sign that patrons must clean up after their pets
Community Comments	None
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pet friendly establishment with dog day care • Serving area and kitchen will be isolated from the pet area by a double door • The establishment will work with shelters and host adoption events from time to time • The establishment will be air-conditioned. There will also be a separate venting system to move air out of the animal area • As per the landlord's request, a drop ceiling and foam insulation will be applied to mitigate sound emitting from the establishment • The proposed restaurant is on the street level of a six (6) story Mixed residential and Commercial Building with 79 residential units (R7-2 with C1-4 Commercial overlay without on-site parking, BBL 1021790106)
	Committee Vote
Yes	IM GD OK JC2 RC ML ER
No	
Abstain	
Not Voting	

5. Sophy's Kitchen Inc. dba TBD 440 W 202 St (btw 9th & 10th Ave) 10034

Applicant withdrew the application on 1/10/18 via email

Establishment Information	License # Expiration On- Premises Liquor License, New Restaurant, full kitchen and menu
Owner Information	Dora Russo, owner of The Cliff
Representative Information	
How many On-Premise (OP) Liquor licenses are within 500 feet of this premise?	SLA LAMP: Six (6) and one (1) pending SLA form: Yes CB12 questionnaire: Six (6)
Is this premise within 200 feet of any school or place of worship?	No
Method of Operation	Recorded Music only

Sound Limiter installed on all associated equipment	
Space “effectively” soundproofed	
Third Party Promoters & regulations	
Security Personnel / How Many?	
Are all Security Personnel “New York State Licensed”	
Security Camera / How Many?	
Does / will this business operate in compliance with all applicable NYC / NYS Agency Codes & Regulations	
Are all current / previous alterations in compliance with all applicable NYC / NYS Agency Codes & Regulations	
Hours of Operations	
Total Space Capacity / Number of persons permitted by law	
Total Number of Employees	
Total Number of Tables / Chairs Indoors	
Licensed Outdoor Area Total Tables / Chairs	
How many SLA violations has this establishment previously been charged with	
What is the total (\$) value of SLA fines this establishment has received to date since receipt of renewal of the license	
Are there any pending SLA charges against this establishment	
How many DEP / noise complaints has this establishment received since receipt or renewal of license	
34 th Precinct	
Stipulations	•
Community Comments	
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same address as Cliff • CB12 renewal resolution for Cliff dated 10/3/16: objection • The proposed restaurant is on the street level of a two (2) story Commercial and Office Building (M1-1 without on-site parking, BBL 1021980005)
	Committee Vote
Yes	
No	
Abstain	
Not Voting	

6. VIP Restaurant and Catering Corp. Dba TBD 3795 10th Ave (corner of W 203 St) 10034

Applicant withdrew the application after discussion at the meeting

Establishment Information	License # Expiration On-Premises Liquor License, New Restaurant, full kitchen and menu
Owner Information	Phil Kuzel, Juan Jimenez, Nueva Espana, 212-488-0505 , 347-739-6075 philaw2@aol.com Bill Seruzy real estate broker
Representative Information	
How many On-Premise (OP) Liquor licenses are within 500 feet of this premise?	SLA LAMP: Four (4) and four (4) pending SLA form: Yes CB12 questionnaire: Zero (0)
Is this premise within 200 feet of any school or place of worship?	No
Method of Operation	SLA form: Recorded Music only CB12 questionnaire: DJ, iPod, Internet, Recorded Music, Karaoke, Live Music
Sound Limiter installed on all associated equipment	Will install
Space “effectively” soundproofed	Will be
Third Party Promoters & regulations	No
Security Personnel / How Many?	Yes / left blank
Are all Security Personnel “New York State Licensed”	Yes
Security Camera / How Many?	Yes / left blank
Does / will this business operate in compliance with all applicable NYC / NYS Agency Codes & Regulations	Yes
Are all current / previous alterations in compliance with all applicable NYC / NYS Agency Codes & Regulations	Yes
Hours of Operations	Monday to Thursday 11AM to 2AM Friday & Saturday 11AM to 4AM Sunday 11AM to 12AM
Total Space Capacity / Number of persons permitted by law	Business Plan submitted at the meeting: lower level 35-40 persons, upper level 140-160 persons CB12 questionnaire: 175
Total Number of Employees	Left blank
Total Number of Tables / Chairs Indoors	TBD
Licensed Outdoor Area Total Tables / Chairs	SLA form: None CB12 questionnaire: TBD

How many SLA violations has this establishment previously been charged with	Left blank
What is the total (\$) value of SLA fines this establishment has received to date since receipt of renewal of the license	Left blank
Are there any pending SLA charges against this establishment	Left blank
How many DEP / noise complaints has this establishment received since receipt or renewal of license	Left blank
34th Precinct	High concentration of high capacity venues in the area. The 34 th Precinct would like to meet with the owner of the establishment. Up until recently, this area was notorious for violence and the 34 th Precinct would like to see the violence continue to diminish. The last owner was trying to open this location numerous times last year.
Stipulations	
Community Comments	

Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catering facility / events • Retractable roof issues with noise emitting from the roof • The intention is to open the roof but owner cannot commit to hour of closing of the roof at the meeting. The business plan is calling for the roof to be open noon to 11PM but the owner may agree to close at 9PM • Owner submit a 25 page business plan at the meeting • Ms Morales, construction manager, spoke to Mr. Green from Dyckman Houses to get his support for this project • Phil Kuzel, attorney one of the owners has no experience in managing restaurants but another partner, Mr. Juan Jimenez from La Nueva Espana, will be one of the partners in the group • When asked, Kuzel stated that this is not a night club • Legal capacity per Sherman Creek application 220 persons but the owner of VIP Restaurant and Catering Corp. stated capacity is 175 • When asked the owner stated that they have no relation to VIP restaurant down on 20th st. • Per the owner, the real estate broker Bill Zoisy vetted over 30 potential tenants • All windows are currently single pane glass • Concerns about the sound transmitted through the glass roof • Concerns about the number of establishments closing at the same time • Owner submit a business plan that includes three (3) letters of support; two from businesses in Washington Heights and one from the Bronx • This is the same location as Sherman Creek • CB12 questionnaire: the owner signed as a representative • CB12 resolution for license # 1278017 (expired on 7/31/17) Un chin De Vida dated 9/25/13: no objection • The proposed establishment is on a street level of a two (2) story 29,976 sq ft building with retractable roof (M1-1 Transportation and Utility BBL 1022000001)
	Committee Vote
Yes	
No	
Abstain	
Not Voting	

G. Old Business/ New Business / Adjournment

- a. The Committee continued the discussion about the application process discussed at the last meeting. A list of application requirements that was discussed at the December meeting will be circled for approval.
- b. Community member Katherine O'Sullivan advised that many businesses do not post the *Good Neighbor* sign as requested.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31pm

All background information collected from:
NY SLA application provided by the applicant
CB12M LC Application completed by the applicant
Goggle Map (<https://www.google.com/maps>)
DOH restaurant grade (<http://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/services/restaurant-grades.page>)
DCP GIS map ZOLA (<http://www1.nyc.gov/site/planning/zoning/index-map.page>)
SLA Mapping Project LAMP (<http://lamp.sla.ny.gov/nysla/index.htm>)