



## COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 2, MANHATTAN

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May 28, 2025

Director  
Licensing Issuance Division  
NY State Liquor Authority 163 W. 125th Street  
New York, New York 10027

Dear Sir/Madam:

At its Full Board meeting on May 22, 2025, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

### **Dante West 4th LLC dba Dante 51 Bank St 10014 (OP–Restaurant) (Transfer)**

- i. Whereas**, the Applicant and the Applicant’s attorney appeared before Community Board 2, Manhattan’s SLA Licensing Committee #2 to present an application to the NYS Liquor Authority for an On-Premises Restaurant Liquor License to operate a full-service restaurant in the ground floor of a six (6)-story, mixed-use apartment building (ca. 1905) on the northwest corner of Bank and West 4<sup>th</sup> Streets (Block #624/Lot #53), the building falling within NYC LPC’s designated Greenwich Village Historic District; and
- ii. Whereas**, the ground floor premises is approximately 1,582 sq. ft., with 962 sq. ft. on the ground floor connected by a sidewalk hatch to a 620 sq. ft. basement, the basement being used for storage purposes only and not for patrons; there will be 12 tables and 22 seats and one (1) bar with 16 for a total interior seating occupancy of 54 persons, there is one (1) entrance and three (3) exits with the only one patron ingress / egress being the double door entrance at the corner of Bank and West Fourth Streets, one (1) bathroom, all windows are fixed and there are no existing French doors or facades that open; and
- iii. Whereas**, the premises to be licensed has been licensed with an On-Premises Liquor License from approximately 2021 to the present under Silkstone LLC (Lic. ID # 0340-23-130738, exp 5/31/2025) that applicant having appeared before CB2, Man. in [February/2021](#) for their On-Premises Liquor License; the instant application being an asset purchase with the method of operation remaining largely the same; and
- iv. Whereas**, consistent with the previous operator, the Applicant’s hours of operation will be 10 AM to 12 AM Sundays through Wednesdays and 10 AM to 1 AM Thursdays through Saturdays, music will be background only from iPods/CDs/streaming services; there will be

no TVs, no DJ's, no promoted events, no DJs, live music or scheduled performances, and no cover fees; there is no outdoor seating included with this application; and

- v. **Whereas**, the Applicant, who has a number of restaurants with On-Premises license in CB2, Man., met with the local block association (West Village Residents Association) as well as neighboring residents, all of whom are familiar the operations at his other premises, and agreed to a number of stipulations with them as part of meeting the public interest standard of the instant application, those stipulations include agreeing that there will be no future roadway café and that any future sidewalk café, if permitted, will close by 10 PM nightly, this block and surrounding area being residentially-zoned where outdoor dining had not previously been permitted; and
  
- vi. **Whereas**, the Applicant has executed and has had notarized a Stipulations Agreement with Community Board 2, Man. that they agreed to submit to the NYSLA and agreed would be attached and incorporated into the method of operation of the On-Premises Restaurant Liquor License, with those stipulations as follows:
  - 1. Will operate a full-service restaurant offering classic European inspired dishes and weekend brunch with the kitchen open and full menu items available until closing every night.
  - 2. The hours of operation will be from 10 AM to 12 AM Sundays through Wednesdays and 10 AM to 1 AM Thursdays through Saturdays. All patrons will be cleared and no patrons will remain after stated closing time.
  - 3. Will not operate as a Lounge, Tavern or Sports Bar or allow any portion of premises to be operated in that manner.
  - 4. There is no backyard garden or any other outdoor area for commercial purposes including any sidewalk and/or roadway café included with this application.
  - 5. There will be no roadbed seating now or in the future.
  - 6. Any future outdoor seating will close not later than 10 PM every day and will follow all rules and regulations of the Dining Out NYC program and. No patrons will remain after stated closing hour. No exterior music, speakers or TVs.
  - 7. Will play recorded background music at conversational levels only, inclusive of any private parties or events. No music will be audible in any adjacent residences at any time.
  - 8. Will not have televisions.
  - 9. Will use an electronic reservation system capable of online messaging to interact with customers remotely, as needed, to prevent crowds from queuing/gathering/waiting to enter on sidewalk
  - 10. Will close all doors and windows at all times, allowing only for patron ingress and egress.
  - 11. Will not have patron occupancy/service to any portion of the basement of licensed premises.
  - 12. Will not install or have French doors, operable windows or open facades.
  - 13. Will not make changes to the existing façade except to change signage or awning. All signage will be compliant with rules for signage in an Historic District.
  - 14. Will comply with NYC Department of Buildings Regulations and keep current at all times required Permits and Certificates.
  - 15. Will not have unlimited drink or unlimited food and drink specials. Will not have “boozy brunches.” No pitchers of beer.
  - 16. There will be no “bottle service” or the sale of bottles of alcohol except for the sale of bottles of beer or wine products.

17. Will not have any of the following: dancing, DJs, live music, promoted events, any event where a cover fee is charged, scheduled performances, velvet ropes or barricades or doormen/security personnel.
18. Will not add more principals as presented to CB2 with greater than 20% share of business prior to submission of original application to the NYSLA.
19. Will appear before CB2, Man. prior to submitting changes to any stipulation agreed to herein.
20. Will appear before CB2, Man. for change in method of operation/alteration prior to submitting plans for any sidewalk, roadbed or other outdoor seating.

vii. **Whereas**, this application being subject to the 500 Foot Rule requiring the Applicant to demonstrate that the public interest would be served by the granting of the On-Premises Liquor License at this location, there being **64 active licensed premises** within 750 ft. and 4 pending licenses according to LAMP, the Applicant having met with immediately impacted residents as well as the local block association whose stipulations have been incorporated into CB2's stipulation agreement, the agreed upon stipulations being reasonable, the public interest being established albeit subject to the Applicant and Licensee abiding by those agreed upon stipulations; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that CB2, Man. recommends **denial** of the application for an On-Premises Restaurant Liquor License for **Dante West 4th LLC dba Dante 51 Bank St 10014**, **unless** the statements the Applicant has presented are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the Applicant above are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the NYSLA Liquor License in order to create public interest for the issuance of this liquor license.

**Vote:** Unanimous, 43 Board Members in favor.

We respectfully request that your agency take action consistent with the positions expressed in the above.

Sincerely,



Donna Raftery, Chair  
SLA Licensing 1 and 2 Committees  
Community Board #2, Manhattan



Valerie De La Rosa, Chair  
Community Board #2, Manhattan

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cc: Hon. Daniel Goldman, Congressman  
Hon. Brad Hoylman-Sigal, NY State Senator  
Hon. Brian Kavanaugh, NY State Senator  
Hon. Deborah J. Glick, NY State Assembly  
Hon. Grace Lee, State Assembly Member

Hon. Brad Lander, NYC Comptroller  
Hon. Michael Levine, Man. Borough President  
Hon. Erik Bottcher, NYC Council Speaker  
Hon. Christopher Marte, NYC Council Member  
Hon. Carlina Rivera, NYC Council Member  
Thomas Donohue, Deputy Commissioner of Licensing, NY State Liquor Authority



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Community Board 2 Liquor License Stipulations

The original signed and notarized form must be returned to the CB2 office by Tuesday, May 20, 2025. If not returned 24 hours prior to CB2s full board meeting, the application will be denied.

I, Linden Pride as a qualified representative of Dante West 4th LLC dba Dante Aperitivo located at 51 Bank Street, New York, NY 10014 agree to the following stipulations:

Application Type: [X] OP Restaurant [ ] RW [ ] TW [ ] Alteration [X] Other: Transfer

[X] Premise will be advertised and operated as a family-run full service restaurant

[X] Hours of operation:

Table with 4 columns: Day, Start Time, End Time, and Day. Rows include Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

(Premises will open no later than stated opening time and NO patrons will remain after stated closing time.)

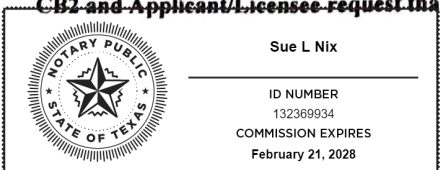
- List of stipulations including: Will operate a full-service restaurant, Will not operate as a Lounge, Tavern or Sports Bar, There is no backyard garden, There will be no roadbed seating, Any future outdoor seating will close not later than 10 PM every day, Will play recorded background music at conversational levels only, Will not have televisions, Will use an electronic reservation system, Will close all doors and windows at all times, Will not have patron occupancy/service to any portion of the basement, Will not install or have French doors, Will not make changes to the existing facade, Will comply with NYC Department of Buildings Regulations, Will not have unlimited drink or unlimited food and drink specials, There will be no "bottle service", Will not add more principals as presented to CB2 with greater than 20% share of business, Will appear before CB2, Man. prior to submitting any changes, Will appear before CB2, Man. for change in method of operation/alteration.

Residents may contact the Manager/Owner at the following phone number. Any complaints will be addressed immediately 2129825275

Name: Linden Pride Phone Number: 2129825275

Notary Public section with signature of Linden Pride, date 05/19/2025, and signature of Sue L Nix.

CB2 and Applicant/Licensee request that the SLA add these stipulations to the method of operation/conditions of license



Electronically signed and notarized online using the Proof platform.