

(The following is not a verbatim transcript of comments or discussion that occurred during the meeting, but rather a summarization intended for general informational purposes. All motions and votes are the official records).

SAFETY SERVICES & LICENSES COMMITTEE

Regular meeting of the Safety Services and Licenses Committee was held on Monday, October 7, 2024 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, Rhode Island.

I. CALL TO ORDER BY THE CHAIR:

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 P.M. by the Vice-Chair.

II. ROLL CALL BY THE CLERK:

Present: Councilwoman Kristen E. Haroian
Councilman John P. Donegan
Councilman Daniel Wall
Councilman Richard D. Campopiano
Councilman Christopher G. Paplauskas
Council Vice-President Lammis J. Vargas, Vice-Chair
Council President Jessica M. Marino

Absent: Councilman Robert J. Ferri, Chair

Also Present: Councilwoman Nicole Renzulli (appeared at 7:25 p.m.)
Christopher Rawson, Assistant City Solicitor
Stephen Angell, City Council Legal Counsel
David DiMaio, City Council Budget Analyst
Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees
Heather Finger, Stenographer

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of the minutes of the September 9, 2024 Regular meeting.

On motion by Councilman Paplauskas, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2024 regular meetings and they stand approved as recorded. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Sharon Steele+, 95 Chestnut St., Providence, President of Jewelry District Association, appeared to speak in favor of liquor license transfer for The Blue Room.

Raymond Grantmaier, 418 Laurel Hill Ave., appeared to oppose the liquor license transfer for Los Homies, LLC and stated that this area gets very loud, they have an outdoor patio and it is in a residential area. There is speeding up and down the street. This is not the right area for a business with a liquor license.

Jennifer Minuto, 69 Bluff Ave., Transferor for The Blue Room, appeared to speak and stated that since she has been operating, there have been no complaints about parking or anything else. What they have had is a lot of joy and a lot of success.

Mark Cutler, 63 Colonial Ave., appeared to speak in favor of the liquor license transfer for The Blue Room and stated that this community is so fortunate to have such a cool and welcoming place like The Blue Room in our mist. It would be a shame to see something like this slip away.

Anthony Albanese 2204 Broad St., appeared to oppose the liquor license transfer for The Blue Room and stated that the present business has turned into a nightclub scene with music quite loud. When Ms. Minuto first applied for the license and appeared before the Committee, she told the neighbors and this Committee that it was going to be a piano bar, now the Transferee wants to expand on that, on the band and on the music. He believes he was lied to and this Committee was lied to. There is smoking outside until late hours and this is a disruption. Parking is also a major issue. People call him to complain, they do not call the City or the business owner.

James Kelleher, 55 Alhambra Circle, appeared to speak in favor of the liquor license transfer for The Blue Room. He stated that this is an absolute gem of an operation. It is a real asset to the Village.

Sharon Monteiro, 200 Cannon St., appeared to speak in favor of the liquor license transfer for The Blue Room and stated that she has performed at The Blue Room and has been in the audience. It brings culture, it brings people to Pawtuxet Village to partake of the Ice Cream store, of Basta and other establishments. She has not seen any disruption in services at other places.

Stefan Prior of 18 Imperial Place, Providence, appeared to speak and stated that that is very close to The District, which is owned and operated by the Harris's. He has served as a State Official in the State for almost a decade and he is not present in that capacity, but he did get to know the Harris's as they operated The District in both of his capacities as a State Official at Commerce and Housing and his capacity as a neighbor and he can tell everyone that there are no finer proprietors of an establishment. These are true professionals who know how to run a restaurant and they know how to run it indoors and outdoors and make sure that the conditions

are appropriate for a surrounding residential and commercial community. He is so impressed with them. The single most significant reason he is impressed is that Sharon Steele was the lead testifier, she is the head of The Jewelry District Association and her standards are so high and Jen and Michael are the finest folks you could find to run such an establishment and hope that they flourish here in Cranston.

Joe Reardon, 87 Alhambra Circle, appeared to speak in favor of the liquor license transfer for The Blue Room and stated that we are very lucky to have The Blue Room. It has gotten good reviews from different publications and people know that there is quality music there. Between O'Rourke's and the Shriners, there are thirty private businesses in that small area. That stretch is a commercial area. The building itself is perfect for music. There is a restaurant on one side and there is a laundry on the other side and it is buffered by the buildings themselves. People that go there are like him, in their 50's, 60's and 70's. You do not leave The Blue Room with ringing ears, you leave with the feeling that you got good quality music. It is not loud music. Many businesses in the area benefit from The Blue Room. It adds to the business, it adds to the safety and adds to the charm of the Village. These are responsible people.

Alan Rudolph, 81 Hope Hill Terrace, appeared to speak in favor of the liquor license transfer for The Blue Room and stated that he knows the applicants very well. He has been to their restaurant. All their employees are hands-on and they are just amazing business owners and he thinks Cranston would suffer by not having this kind of art in our City.

Attorney Thomas Hanley appeared to speak in favor of the liquor license transfer for The Blue Room and stated that he represents approximately 15-16 bars in the City of Providence. He does not represent Jen and Mike, but he frequents their establishment. Jen took probably one of the toughest bars in the City of Providence and made it into a very very very good restaurant that caters to an entirely different group and Mike is a hard working ex-policeman from Providence. They are standup people and know what they are doing and they are going to be a great asset to Pawtuxet Village.

Mona Albanese, 2204 Broad St., appeared to oppose to the liquor license transfer for The Blue Room and presented photos. She stated that she lives thirty feet across the street from The Blue Room. It is loud and there are live bands. She has discussed this with Ms. Minuto and was told that the doors would be open until ten o'clock. She has spent thousands of dollars, has changed her windows and the music just bounces off their walls. She can't open the windows from May until October because of the loud music. Parking is also an issue. They have spent thousands of dollars because their tenants get very upset because they are paying rent and their spots are taken by other businesses. The business wants to enlarge, they want a kitchen, they say it is going to be a jazz supper club, but she has already heard the story about the piano bar. There is bongos, there is live bands. She welcomes anyone from the Committee to visit her apartment with the windows closed and listen to the music, which goes on until midnight and it is late in the Village. She thinks midnight is late. They did meet with the applicants and they are extremely nice people and they did discuss the issues with them, but it is parking, it is expansion and they still want to have music. She would appreciate any consideration the Committee can give.

Franklin Paulino, Director of Economic Development, appeared to speak and stated that he has worked with Ms. Minuto when she was opening her business and this was the missing piece to Pawtuxet Village. This is a hidden gem. She has done a great job. It is a great place for entertainment. We have helped her business and gave a positive recommendation for this license to proceed and be transferred. This is a good business in the City and we welcome it.

Justin Braun, Operations Manager for Basta at 2195 Broad St., appeared to speak and stated that he is not present to speak against any business, but rather in support of the community and the businesses that are currently there, Basta being one of them. They are happy to welcome new businesses and happy to see things develop and grow in that area. They just want to make sure that as these businesses develop, it does not affect the current operations of those that are around. There are plans for this business to grow and their concerns are just that when there are crowds outside gathering before going in and may be smoking and loud chatting, Basta has open windows with diners right next to that. They just want to make sure that all that is taken into consideration as this whole process goes forward. Parking is a large issue. Basta has an attendant to take care of their parking. With the rich history that the Village has being around for hundreds of years, Basta itself is over 35, as we go forward with this proceeding and with any other changes in the future, those issues should be all taken into consideration and the impact that those changes will have on the businesses that are there.

Carolyn Bibeault, 30 Woodbury Rd., appeared to speak to oppose to the liquor license transfer for The Blue Room and stated that this area was not like this when she moved into the neighborhood. It has grown, there have been adjustments at Basta and they have been very good about it and they are never a problem. As stated by a previous speaker, there are smokers out in front and they are very ignorant. Parking is definitely a problem.

Leland Baker appeared to speak and stated that he works for the Newport Festival Foundation and they partnered with The Blue Room approximately a year ago and have created a very fruitful community surrounding collaboration where they do a jazz session the second and fourth Wednesday of the month and it has been a huge boost in the community, our arts community. It has been wonderful partnering with The Blue Room and would like to highlight their importance in the art community here and in Providence and Rhode Island and they have contributed so much to that community in such a short period of time, which he hopes will continue.

Jeff Butler, 155 Barndoor Lane, appeared to speak and stated that he also owns 26 Woodbury Rd., 2214 Broad St. and Dear Hearts Ice Cream, so he is a business owner in Pawtuxet Village as well as a landlord for twelve tenants. As to the liquor license transfer for The Blue Room, his residential tenants do not have a problem with this. He welcomes this. It is nice to have live music venue. That is what Pawtuxet Village is, it is a Village of eclectic businesses and it is a positive thing for the City of Cranston as well as an economic boom, which he is all for business.

Jane Murphy, 154 Armington St., appeared to speak regarding the transfer of liquor license for The Blue Room and stated that, as a consumer, she has attended The Blue Room many times. She and her husband go there very often and spend money in the Village at the

restaurants along that street before going across the street to hear some music. It is a wonderful place and she has never seen anyone behaving disorderly or in an inconsiderate way. It is a real credit to Pawtuxet Village to have it here.

Beth Cotter, 129 Wentworth Ave., appeared to speak regarding the liquor license transfer for The Blue Room and presented handouts for the record. She stated that The Blue Room is a wonderful venue, it is a wonderful happy place for the neighborhood and when she goes there, she most often goes to a restaurant first. She spends money and she invites people from other places in the State to come spend money in Cranston.

Attorney Nicholas Matlach, 10 Kendall Dr., Lincoln, appeared to represent Los Homies regarding their liquor license application. He stated that the planned restaurant is by no means a nightclub. It is a family style restaurant designed to bring the neighborhood that it serves together to have a nice home cooked Mexican meal and to have a cocktail along with that. The purpose of the liquor license is not to create a music scene, a nightclub atmosphere or in any way speeding and drinking and everything that was represented before. It will have only twenty seats and five seats at the bar. It is clearly designed to be a comfortable family style environment.

V. PUBLIC HEARINGS

NEW CLASS BV LIQUOR LICENSE

Los Homies, LLC d/b/a LaEsquina located at 407 Laurel Hill Ave.

Juan Pablo Sanchez, Francisco Javier Hernandez Huerta & Efre Sanchez

Hours: Sat-Sun 10am-1am

[Outstanding items required prior to issuance of license by City Clerk:](#)

[-Letter of Good Standing](#)

Attorney Nicholas Matlach, appeared to represent the applicant.

Chair asked if letter of good standing has been submitted. Clerk stated, no, it has not been received.

Attorney Matlach stated that this a brand new company so it does not yet have status with the Department of Revenue and they are working on obtaining that letter.

Chair deferred to the Solicitor regarding this.

Solicitor asked if there is a timeline on that letter. Attorney Matlach stated that it should be imminent. It has been requested from them. Solicitor stated that the Committee can do a pending condition on that letter. Chair stated that she is hesitant on that because there have been businesses before this Committee in the past that if they did not have all the documents or letter of good standing, this Committee has continued their license application to the next meeting or has held a special meeting.

Councilman Paplauskas asked applicant when they plan to open. Efren Sanchez appeared to speak and stated that they are looking to open once they receive all the approvals, hopefully in November, beginning of November.

Council President Marino stated that this Committee could hold a special meeting later this month if applicant receives the letter of good standing prior to the next regular meeting. She noted that she has issues with the hours and that can be taken up during discussion.

On motion by Councilman Paplauskas, seconded by Councilwoman Haroian, it was voted to approve this license application for discussion purposes.

Under Discussion:

Councilman Donegan asked that as Council Person for this Ward, the Committee be told a little about the business and why the 1 a.m. closing time.

Attorney Matlach stated that the applicants are three experienced restauraners in Massachusetts and they have similar restaurant, homestyle family cooked Mexican cuisine, and their hours of operation there go to 1 a.m. and they are trying to take a very successful mode in Massachusetts and introduce that to the City of Cranston. The hours were really taken as a blueprint for a successful enterprise in that way. This would be a seven-day operation.

Councilman Donegan asked what the hours would be for each day. Juan Sanchez appeared to speak and stated that the hours can be flexible, but the proposed hours are Fridays and Saturdays until midnight and Sundays thru Thursdays until 11 p.m. Councilman Donegan stated that he has serious concerns about the hours. Eleven on a weeknight is still late and it is right around the corner from a school.

Councilman Campopiano stated that he also has serious concerns about the hours and what the business plan would be. Parking would be on the street, houses are very close and being a restaurant, he would be more in favor of 10 p.m. closing on weeknights.

Councilman Donegan asked if 10 p.m. closing would be amenable. Attorney Matlach stated that his clients are agreeable to 10-10 weekdays and 11 p.m. closing on Fridays and Saturdays.

Chair asked if there will be any music outside. Juan Sachez stated, no, just inside.

Councilwoman Haroian stated that she has concerns with the hours. There are restaurants on Reservoir Ave. where there are homes behind them which are very successful and they close at 8 p.m. during the week and 9 p.m. on weekends. Attorney Matlach stated that this is a neighborhood restaurant with approximately twenty seats.

Council President Marino stated that she would be in support of 9 p.m. closing on weekdays including Sundays and 10 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

Chair agreed with Council President Marino.

Applicants agreed with those hours.

Chair asked that applicant amend application to reflect the change in hours of operation as agreed by them.

On motion by Councilman Wall, seconded by Councilman Donegan, it was voted to continue this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER

From: Village Sounds, LLC d/b/a The Blue Room located at 2197 Broad St.

Jennifer Minuto

To: Blue Room RI, LLC located at 2197 Broad St.

Jennifer Freitas Harris & Michael Harris

Tues-Thurs 4pm-11pm, Fri 4pm-12am, Sat 10am-12am, Sun 10am-6pm

Attorney Matthew Jerzyk appeared to represent The Blue Room RI LLC and presented two letters of support. One from the First Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Rogerie Thompson, who also lives in the Edgewood neighborhood and the second is from the Providence Fire Prevention Lieutenant John Lima, who like many of the others who testified this evening, have experience with Ms. Harris in Providence.

On motion by Council President Marino, seconded by Councilman Paplauskas, it was voted to accept and make part of the record the letters submitted by Attorney Jerzyk, the letters submitted by Beth Carter, the photo submitted by Laura Albanese and also emails received. Motion passed unanimously.

Attorney Jerzyk stated that he is present as an attorney and also as a neighbor who lives on Woodbury Rd. As someone who has raised four children, they have found The Blue Room, as many people said this evening, incredible asset along with the live music at Basta, along with the live music at Revolution, along with the live music at O'Rourke's. As someone who lives on Woodbury, he has seen the parking problems long before Blue Room was there and he is sure it will be there for quite some time, but for him, that is the price of admission and they live in a vibrant Village and that is why he moved there. To be able to walk to the bank, walk to the cleaners and walk to Basta on oyster night and then go to The Blue Room after that. The applicants are present this evening to answer any questions, they are not present this evening seeking an expansion, they are not seeking food, just a simple transfer of a liquor license as well as the Entertainment License. The hours are significantly reduced from the current Blue Room hours. The hours proposed would have the establishment close at 11 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, Fridays at midnight, Saturdays at midnight and Sundays at 6 p.m. The current establishment is open past that. He thinks these hours reflect what they have in the Village. Along with this application is a lease for thirteen parking spaces, which is what is required in a C-3 Zone for this particular application.

On motion by Councilman Donegan, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to approve this license application.

Under Discussion:

Councilwoman Haroian stated that she is in full support of this and looks forward to this establishment opening in Cranston.

Council President Marino stated that she will be in support of this transfer. As a Council Person City-Wide, she has not received any complaints about the operation of that business. She has heard nothing but accolades. She has heard nothing but outstanding things of the new owners about their establishment in the restaurant industry and their business acumen and that would absolutely be an asset to the City of Cranston. She is disappointed that there was some trepidation from neighbors.

Councilman Paplauskas stated that he will be in support of this transfer because they do not have a patio and hours are being reduced and also due to the amount of public support that came before this Committee this evening to speak in favor of this. For the people that appeared this evening to speak stating that they are nervous about this establishment, this body does have the ability to Show Cause any of our licenses that are issued. If there is an issue down the road, we can certainly ask them to come back and we can try to address the situation through that manner.

Chair stated that she will be in support of this transfer. She agreed with Councilman Paplauskas that if there are any issues in the future, we as a body, can issue a Show Cause.

Roll call was taken on motion to approve this license transfer application. Motion passed unanimously.

CLASS A LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWALS

Jay Goga, Inc. d/b/a Capital Liquors located at 811 park Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sat 8am-10pm, Sun 10am-6pm

Raav, Inc. d/b/a Alpine Wine & Spirits located at 1 Starline Way

Hours: Mon-Sat 9am-10pm, Sun 10am-6pm

Vipra, Inc. d/b/a Morins Liquor Store located at 1621 Elmwood Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sat 10am-10pm, Sun 11am-6pm

On motion by Council President Marino, seconded by Councilman Paplauskas, it was voted to take all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

On motion by Council President Marino, seconded by Councilman Paplauskas, it was voted to approve all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

CLASS AS LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL

Joseph V. Tally, Inc. d/b/a Tallys located at 1150 Pontiac Ave.

Hours: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm, Sat 9:30am-3pm

On motion by Councilwoman Haroian, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to approve this license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

CLASS BVL LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL

Baja's Fresh Grill, LLC d/b/a Baja's Fresh Grill located at 624 Reservoir Ave.

Hours: Sun-Thurs 10am-10pm, Fri-Sat 10am-11pm

CLASS BV LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWALS

Amedeo Restaurant and Lounge, Inc. d/b/a Amedeo Restaurant & Lounge located at 1492 Park Ave.

Hours: Tuesday-Sat 5pm-1am

Cigar World, LLC d/b/a Cigar World located at 686 Reservoir Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sun 10am-1am

Fresco Too, Inc. d/b/a Fresco located at 140 Comstock Parkway

Hours: Mon-Sun 2pm-12am

G&P Food Service, Inc. d/b/a The Big Cheese & Pub located at 606 Reservoir Ave.

Hours: Sun-Thurs 11am-9pm, Fri-Sat 11am-10pm

Geo's Restaurant Breakfast and Lunch, Inc. d/b/a Geo's Restaurant located at 641 Atwood Ave.

Hours: M-Tu 6am-2pm, W-Th 6am-8:30pm, F 6am-9pm, Sat 6am-2pm, Sun 7pm-2pm

Ichiban Corp d/b/a Ichiban Restaurant located at 146 Gansett Ave.

Hours: Wed-Sun 12pm-9pm

Kochi Cranston, LLC d/b/a Kochi Sushi & Steakhouse located at 1800 Plainfield Pike

Hours: Tues-Thurs 11:30am-9:30pm, Fri-Sat 11:30am-10:30pm

Legion Pub, Inc. d/b/a Pub on Park located at 661 Park Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sun 3:00pm-1:00am

Lunch Box Café, LLC d/b/a Lunch Box Café located at 751 Park Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sat 8am-9pm, Sun 10am-8pm

Macera's Italian Restaurant, Inc. d/b/a Macera's Restaurant located at 957 Reservoir Ave.

Hours: Tues-Thurs 11am-8pm, Fri-Sat 11am-9pm, Sun 11am-2pm

Ocean Island, Inc. d/b/a China Dynasty located at 400 Atwood Ave.

Hours: Tues-Sun 11:30am-10:30pm

Park Place, LLC d/b/a Park Place Sports Bar located at 1401 Park Ave.

Hours: Sun 12pm-12am, Mon-Thurs 3pm-12am, Fri-Sat 12pm-1am

Riviera Main Event & Pub, LLC d/b/a Riviera Main Event & Pub located at 1612 Elmwood Ave.

Hours: Tues-Sun 2pm-1am

Ted's Stadium Pub, LLC d/b/a Ted's Stadium Pub located at 1145 Park Ave.

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Hours: Mon-Sat 11:30am-11pm

Texas Roadhouse Holdings, LLC d/b/a Texas Roadhouse located at 99 Garfield Ave.

Hours: Mon-Turs 3pm-10pm; Fri 3pm-11pm; Sat 12pm-11pm; Sun 12pm-10pm

The Joint Bar & Grill, LLC d/b/a The Joint Bar & Grill located at 1150 Oaklawn Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sun 12pm-1am

Zona Lounge & Restaurant, LLC d/b/a Zona Lounge & Restaurant located at 195 Niantic Ave.

Hours: Tues-Sun 7pm-1am

On motion by Councilman Wall, seconded by Councilwoman Haroian, it was voted to take all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

On motion by Councilman Donegan, seconded by Councilwoman Haroian, it was voted to approve all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

CLASS D LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL

Rhode Island Yacht Club located at 1 Ocean Ave.

Hours: Mon-Fri 4pm-10pm, Sat-Sun 12pm-11pm

On motion by Councilwoman Haroian, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to approve this license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

CLASS J LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL

Rhodes on the Pawtuxet, Inc. d/b/a Rhodes on the Pawtuxet located at 60 Rhodes Place

Hours: Sun-Sat 9am-12am (Varies with events)

On motion by Councilman Wall, seconded by Councilman Donegan, it was voted to approve this license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. SHOW CAUSE (*Vote will be taken to open/close each show cause hearing*)

CLASS BV LIQUOR LICENSE *cont from 9/9/24*

401 Night Life, LLC d/b/a Pregame Lounge located at 349 Dyer Ave.

VICTUALING LICENSE *cont. from 9/9/24*

401 Night Life, LLC d/b/a Pregame Lounge located at 349 Dyer Ave

On motion by Councilman Paplauskas, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to continue the above two items. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. COMMITTEE BUSINESS MATTERS CARRIED OVER

AUTO REPAIR LICENSE-NEW *cont from 9/9/24*

J&J Corp d/b/a Caravan Auto located at 1185 Cranston St.

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M-F 8am-5pm; Sat 8am-2am

Outstanding items required prior to issuance of license by City Clerk:

- Fire Inspection (Received failed one on 8/21/24)

On motion by Councilman Wall, seconded by Councilman Paplauskas, it was voted to continue this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

VICTUALING LICENSE-NEW

1. **Naga Brew Haven** located at 180 Gansett Ave. (Cont. from 7/1/2024, 8/15/24 & 9/9/24)
Khamla Nirandone
(Sat-Sun, 6am-3:30pm; Mon-Fri, 6am-4:30pm)
Outstanding items required prior to issuance of license by City Clerk:
- Certificate of Occupancy

Khamla Nirandone appeared to speak.

Chair asked Clerk if Certificate of Occupancy has been received. Clerk stated, no. Chair asked Legal Counsel to speak.

Solicitor stated that in addition to the lack of receipt of Certificate of Occupancy, there is also no State Health Department Certificate. Ms. Nirandone stated that she has received the Health Department Certificate and will provide it to the Clerk. She does not have the Certificate of Occupancy yet. There are a slew of problems with that.

Franklin Paulino, Director of Economic Development, appeared to speak and stated that this business owner was referred to his Office to see if he could assist her. Once she applied for the Victualling License, it was referred to Public Works and there is an application for water discharge and that would bring in the grease trap and she has to get a licensed plumber and has to go through that process. Until that process is done, she cannot continue on to the Certificate of Occupancy, which is Building Inspections. This license application would have to be continued until she does this work. His Office is helping her navigate through this process because she has to go through a lot of departments.

Council President Marino stated that all that this body is to do is review the application before the Committee and it is a requirement that there is a Certificate of Occupancy. We are not able to issue a license for Victualling, so whatever is required is required through Inspections and not with this body.

On motion by Council President Marino, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to continue this license application.

Under Discussion:

Councilwoman Renzulli asked what type of business was at this location before this applicant took over. Ms. Nirandone stated that it was a smoothie coffee shop and they made waffles. She is not making food there, they will be serving coffee and the prior business had a Victualling License. Councilwoman Renzulli questioned if prior business had a Certificate of Occupancy. Ms. Nirandone stated that she does not know about a Certificate of Occupancy. She assumed the plumbing situation was all set and then she got the Zoning Certificate and the Certificate from the Department of Health. The former business owner did show her his business license and now she is being told she needs a grease trap. She explained to Ed Tally, of Public Works, that it was the same business and she was told that she has a three-bay sink. If she knew this from the start, she would have gone through the process that she needed to, but she will do what she has to do.

Roll call was taken on motion to continue this license application and motion passed unanimously.

VIII. NEW MATTERS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

MOBILE FOOD ESTABLISHMENT LICENSE *ratify the action* *WBM Factory Alimentary d/b/a Gonzalez Food Truck* – MFE 537

On motion by councilman Paplauskas, seconded by Councilman Donegan, it was voted to ratify the action of the above license application. Motion passed with Council President Marino not present for roll call vote.

ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE

Blue Room RI, LLC located at 2197 Broad St.

Jennifer Freitas

Tues-Thurs 4pm-11pm, Fri 4pm-12am, Sat 10am-12am, Sun 10am-6pm

Attorney Matthew Jerzyk appeared to speak and stated that this license is for live music only.

On motion by Councilman Wall, seconded by Councilwoman Haroian, it was voted to approve this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

VICTUALING LICENSE

1. Los Homies, LLC d/b/a LaEskina located at 407 Laurel Hill Ave.

Juan Pablo Sanchez, Francisco Javier Hernandez Huerta & Efren Sanchez

Hours: Sat-Sun 10am-1am

Outstanding items required prior to issuance of license by City Clerk:

-RI Dept of Health License

Attorney Nicholas Matlach, appeared to represent the applicant.

On motion by Councilman Wall, seconded by Councilman Paplauskas, it was voted to continue this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Sophia's Café Cranston located at 1079 Park Ave.

Mon-Sun 10am-8pm

Anthony Ramos

Anthony Ramos appeared to speak.

On motion by Councilman Donegan, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to approve this license application. Motion passed with Council President Marino not present for roll call vote.

IX. TRAFFIC ENGINEER

No business.

X. POLICE DEPARTMENT

No business.

XI. FIRE DEPARTMENT

No Business.

XII. LICENSE RENEWALS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

ADDITIONAL HOURS VICTUALING LICENSE

Colbea Enterprises, LLC d/b/a Seasons Corner Market located at 2050 Plainfield Pike

Hours: Mon-Sun 24 hours

Colbea Enterprises, LLC d/b/a Shell located at 1207 Pontiac Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sun 24 hours

Edgewood Donuts, LLC d/b/a Dunkin Donuts located at 283 Park Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sun 4:30am-9pm

MPG Corporation d/b/a Garrett's Family Market located at 1036 Reservoir Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sun 5am-12am

Oaklawn Donuts, LLC d/b/a Dunkin Donuts located at 1288 Oaklawn Ave.

Greater Providence Donuts, LLC d/b/a Dunkin Donuts located at 235 Atwood Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sun 5am-10pm

Kasbac, LLC d/b/a McDonald's Restaurant located at 1820 Plainfield Pike

Hours: Mon-Sun 5am-12am

Oaklawn Donuts, LLC d/b/a Dunkin Donuts located at 1288 Oaklawn Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sun 4am-8pm

Oaklawn Gas Donuts, LLC located at Dunkin Donuts located at 644 Oaklawn Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sun 5am-7pm

Pontiac Donuts, LLC d/b/a Dunkin Donuts located at 480 Pontiac Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sun 5am-9pm

Sayfs Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Mutual Mart located at 397 Dyer Ave.

Hours: Sun-Sat 5:30am-11pm

Torus, Inc. d/b/a Dunkin Donuts located at 630 Reservoir Ave.

Hours: Sun-Sat 24hours

Zwerge, Inc. d/b/a Dunkin Donuts located at 548 Reservoir Ave.

Hours: Sat-Sun 5am-9pm

On motion by Councilman Donegan, seconded by Councilwoman Haroian, it was voted to take all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

On motion by Councilman Paplauskas, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to approve all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

CLASS F LIQUOR LICENSE

RI Aviation Hall of Fame, Inc. located at Scottish Rite Masonic Center; 2115 Broad St.
November 23, 2024, 5:30pm-11pm

On motion by Councilman Donegan, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to approve this license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE

Amedeo Restaurant and Lounge located at 1492 Park Ave.

Entertainment hours: Tues-Sat 5pm-1am

Chapel Restaurant, LLC d/b/a Chapel Grille located at 3000 Chapel View Blvd.

Entertainment hours: Fri & Sat 6pm-9pm

The Frosted Mug, Inc. d/b/a Pub 594 located at 594 Reservoir Ave.

Entertainment hours: Mon-Sun 6pm-1am

Miller's Crossing located at 43 Old Bald Hill Rd.

Entertainment hours: Sun-Tues 8pm-12:30pm

Spectacle Management, Inc d/b/a Spectacle Live Park Theatre located at 848 Park Ave.

Entertainment Hours: Mon-Sun 12pm-11pm

On motion by Councilman Paplauskas, seconded by Councilman Donegan, it was voted to take all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

On motion by Councilman Paplauskas, seconded by Councilwoman Haroian, it was voted to approve all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

MASSAGE THERAPY LICENSE

Back in Balance located at 105 Sockanosset Cross Rd.

Michelle Neuner

Hours: Tues-Fri 9am-6pm, Sat 9am-3pm

On motion by Councilman Wall, seconded by Councilwoman Haroian, it was voted to approve this license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

MOBILE FOOD ESTABLISHMENT *ratify the action*

Poppin Minis RI- MFE 652

On motion by Councilman Wall, seconded by Councilman Donegan, it was voted to approve this license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

PRIVATE DETECTIVE LICENSE

Thomas Giorgio #324 located at 200 Midway Rd. #20124***

Chair asked Solicitor to speak.

Solicitor referred to the renewal application filed by applicant and indicated that there are two questions applicant refused to answer. The Clerk needs this application completely filled out. Chair asked that this license application be continued and applicant be contacted and be asked to go into the Clerk's Office to fill out the two questions left blank. Clerk stated that the applicant is aware of this. He was asked by the Clerk to answer those questions and he refused. Chair asked if there is a RI State Statute that they have to answer the questions. Solicitor stated that the Statute lets every municipality craft their own questions. There is nothing that prohibits those questions from being asked.

On motion by councilman Wall, seconded by Councilman Donegan, it was voted to continue this license renewal application and applicant be asked to appear at the next meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

VICTUALING LICENSE

Alpine Country Club, Inc. located at 251 Pippin Orchard Rd.

Hours: Wed-Sat 12pm-9pm, Sun 12pm-8pm

Amedeo Restaurant & Lounge located at 1492 Park Ave.

Hours: Tues-Sat 5pm-1am

Apple New England, LLC d/b/a Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar located at 24 Midway Rd.

Hours: Sun-Thurs: 11am-12am, Fri & Sat 11am-1am

Aura's Chocolate Bar located at 250 East St.

Hours: Tues-Fri 10am-8pm, Sat 10am-3pm

Avery PTX, LLC d/b/a PTX Lounge located at 2190 Broad St.

Hours: Sun-Sat 4pm-12am

Awa, Inc. d/b/a Vivaldi's Pizza located at 1826 Broad St.

Hours: Mon-Sun 11am-11pm

Café e Fumare located at 1464 Park Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sun 5pm-1am

Caffe Knightsville, LLC d/b/a Bar Lazio located at 1669 Cranston St.

Hours: Weeknights 3pm-12am, Weekends 3pm-1am

Carina e Dolce, Specialty Cakes & Cookies located at 1402 Plainfield Pike

Hours: Mon-Fri 9am-6pm, Sat 8am-2pm, Sun 8am-11am

Chapel Restaurant, LLC d/b/a Chapel Grille located at 3000 Chapel View Blvd.

Hours: Sun 3pm-8pm, Tues-Thurs 11:30am-9pm, Fri 11:30am-10pm, Sat 1pm-10pm

Chelo's Beef Hearth of Cranston located at 1275 Reservoir Ave.

Hours: Sun 11:30am-10pm, Mon-Thurs 11:30am-10:30pm, Fri 11am-11:30pm, Sat 11:30am-11:30pm

Cigar World, LLC d/b/a Cigar World located at 686 Reservoir Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sun 10am-1am

City Line Convenience, Inc. d/b/a City Line Convenience located at 1015 Narragansett Blvd.

Hours: Mon-Sun 6am-12:30am

Cranston Diner located at 1150 Oaklawn Ave.

Hours: Sun-Sat 7am-2pm

Dani Dono Pizzeria d/b/a Catanzaro Pizzeria located at 1283 Park Ave.

Hours: Tue-Sat 11am-9pm

Daves Fresh Marketplace Cranston, Inc. d/b/a Daves Fresh Marketplace located at 550 Pontiac Ave.

Hours: Mon-Sat 7am-9pm, Sun 7am-8pm

DDO New England, LLC d/b/a Taco Bell #40873 located at 1102 Cranston St.
Hours: Mon-Sun 7am-2am

DDO New England, LLC d/b/a Taco Bell #40855 located at 1076 Reservoir Ave.
Hours: Mon-Sun 7am-2am

DeLuise Sweet InDELgence d/b/a DeLuise Bakery located at 701 Oaklawn Ave.
Hours: Tues-Sat 7am-6pm, Sun 7am-4pm

Diamond Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Marchetti's Restaurant located at 1463 Park Ave.
Hours: Tues-Thurs 4pm-9pm, Fri & Sat 4pm-10pm, Sun 1pm-8pm

Edgewood Yacht Club, Inc. d/b/a Edgewood Yacht Club located at 1 Shaw Ave.
Hours: May-Oct, Tues & Fri 6pm-9pm, Sat & Sun 3:30pm-8pm; Oct-Apr, Fri 6pm-9pm, Sun 1pm-5pm

G&P Food Service, Inc. d/b/a The Big Cheese & Pub located at 606 Reservoir Ave.
Hours: Sun-Thurs 11am-9pm, Fri-Sat 11am-10pm

Harriet's Kitchen located at 350 Atwood Ave.
Hours: Mon-Sun 7am-2pm

Japanese Restaurant Perry d/b/a Haruki Restaurant located at 1210 Oaklawn Ave.
Hours: Mon-Sun 11:30am-10pm

Johnson & Wales University d/b/a Harbor View located at 1150 Narragansett Blvd
Hours: Sun-Sat 7am-11pm

Johnson & Wales University d/b/a Wildcat Concessions located at 60 Harborside Blvd.
Hours: Based on sporting events

JSC Cranston, LLC d/b/a Burger King #28867 located at 1155 Pontiac Ave.
Hours: 7am-11pm, Fri-Sat 7am-12am, Sun 8am-11pm

JSC Park Ave, LLC d/b/a Burger King #476 located at 966 Park Ave.
Hours: Sun 8am-12am, Mon-Thurs 7am-12am, Fri-Sat 7am-2am.

Kochi Cranston, LLC d/b/a Kochi Sushi and Steakhouse located at 1800 Plainfield Pike
Hours: Tues-Thurs 11:30am-9:30pm, Fri & Sat 11:30am-10:30pm

Laila & Athena, LLC d/b/a Athena's Restaurant located at 1482 Park Ave.
Hours: Mon-Sun 6am-2pm

Lily's Soups and Scoops located at 1850 Broad St.
Hours: Mon-Sat 8am-8pm

Lunch Box Café, LLC d/b/a Lunch Box Café located at 751 Park Ave.
Hours: Mon-Sat 8am-9pm, Sun 10am-8pm

Macera's Italian Restaurant, Inc d/b/a Maceras Restaurant located at 957 Reservoir Ave.
Hours: Tues-Thurs 11am-8pm, Fri-Sat 11am-9pm, Sun 11am-2pm

Miller's Crossing located at 43 Old Bald Hill Rd.
Hours: Mon-Sun 2pm-1am

Napolitano's Brooklyn Pizza located at 100 East St.
Hours: Mon-Sun 11am-9:30pm

Night Owl Restaurant Group, LLC d/b/a Basta on Broad located at 2195 Broad St.
Hours: Wed-Sun 4:30pm-10pm

Ocean Island, Inc. d/b/a China Dynasty Restaurant located at 400 Atwood Ave.
Hours: Sun, Tues-Thurs 11:30am-9:30pm, Fri & Sat 11:30am-10:30pm

Ocean Pride Seafood of Cranston located at 270 Atwood Ave.
Hours: Mon-Thurs & Sat 8:30am-6pm, Fri 8:30am-7pm, Sun 8:30am-1pm

Olneyville New York System/Wiener Man, Inc located at 1012 Reservoir Ave.
Mon-Sun 11am-10pm

Oriental Taste RI, Inc. d/b/a Oriental Taste located at 2244 Plainfield Pike Unit 6
Hours: Mon-Sat 11am-9pm, Sun 12:30pm-9pm

Papa Razzi Cranston, Inc. d/b/a Avvio located at 90 Hillside Rd.
Hours: Sun-Thurs 11:30am-9pm, Fri & Sat 11:30am-10pm

Ralph's Catering located at 470 Atwood Ave.
Hours: Varies, 9am-5pm

Rhode Island Yacht Club located at 1 Ocean Ave.
Hours: Mon-Fri 4pm-8pm, Sat-Sun, 12pm-8pm

Riviera Main Event & Pub, LLC located at 1612 Elmwood Ave.
Hours: Tues-Sun 2pm-1am

Sako's Pizza located at 823 Reservoir Ave.
Hours: Mon-Sat 11am-10pm, Sun 12pm-9pm

Shaw's #625 located at 8 Chapel View Blvd.
Hours: Mon-Sun 7am-10pm

Spain III, Inc. d/b/a Spain Restaurant located at 1073 Reservoir Ave.
Hours: Sun 1pm-9pm, Tues-Fri 4:30pm-9pm, Sat 4pm-10pm

Spectacle Management, Inc d/b/a Spectacle Live Park Theatre located at 848 Park Ave.
Hours: Mon-Sun 12pm-11pm

Spice Kraft, Inc. d/b/a Chaska located at 16 Midway Rd.
Hours: Mon-Sun 11am-10pm

Stykee's Diner on Elmwood located at 1617 Elmwood Ave.
Hours: Mon-Sun 7am-2pm

Texas Roadhouse Holdings, LLC d/b/a Texas Roadhouse located at 99 Garfield Ave.
Hours: Mon-Thurs 3pm-10pm, Fri 3pm-11pm, Sat 12pm-11pm, Sun 12pm-10pm

The Frosted Mug, Inc. d/b/a Pub 594 located at 594 Reservoir Ave.
Hours: Mon-Sun 5pm-1am

The Joint Bar & Grill located at 1150 Oaklawn Ave.
Hours: Mon-Sat 2pm-1am, Sun 12pm-1am

The Parlor Creamery located at 1105 Scituate Ave.
Hours: Seasonal, Mar-Oct/Nov Mon-Sun 12pm-9pm

Tommy's Fine Italian Food located at 870 Oaklawn Ave.
Hours: Tues-Thurs 11am-9pm, Fri 11am-10pm, Sun 11am-9pm

Torus, Inc. d/b/a Dunkin Donuts located at 8 Chapel View Blvd.
Hours: Sun-Sat 6am-7pm

Torus Garden City Donuts, Inc. d/b/a Dunkin Donuts located at 189 Sockanosset Crsrds
Hours: Sun-Sat 6am-9pm

Torus Park Ave, Inc. d/b/a Dunkin located at 1111 Park Ave.
Hours: Sun-Sat 6am-9pm

Twelve Twenty-Nine, Inc. d/b/a Antonio's Trattoria located at 1710 Cranston St.
Hours: Mon-Sun 4:30pm-9pm

Wai Wai House located at 1850 Broad St.

Hours: Mon-Thurs 11am-10pm, Fri-Sat 11am-10:30pm, Sun 12pm-10pm

Yuang Hing Restaurant d/b/a Young Sing located at 192 Gansett Ave.

Hours: Mon-Thurs 11am-10pm, Fri-Sat 11am-11pm, Sun 12pm-10pm

Councilman Paplauskas stated that he will be recusing, since Tommy's Fine Italian Food is on the agenda and he works for him part-time.

On motion by Councilwoman Haroian, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to take all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed with Councilman Paplauskas recusing.

On motion by Councilwoman Haroian, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to approve all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed with Councilman Paplauskas recusing.

XIII. MONTHLY SCHEDULES (*Votes will be taken to enter lists of events in to record*)

A. RHODES ON THE PAWTUXET

On motion by Councilman Wall, seconded by Councilwoman Haroian, it was voted to accept the list of events into the record. Motion passed with Councilmen Paplauskas and Campopiano not present for roll call vote.

B. CRANSTON STADIUM

No schedule received as of 1/04/2024

XIV. COMMUNICATIONS (*No votes to be taken*) (*Informational Purposes Only*)

None.

XV. PRESENTATIONS

None.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Rosalba Zanni
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees