BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

HEARING DISPOSITIONS

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023 100 N. HOLLIDAY STREET, ROOM 215 BALTIMORE, MD 21202

Albert Matricciani, Jr., Chairperson Aaron Greenfield, Commissioner Edward Reisinger, Commissioner

Regular Item – Request for a 180-Day Hardship Extension and Request to Reopen after 90 days

Epic Lounge Bar Cutrate, LLC, t/a Epic Lounge Bar & Cutrate

2711 E. Fayette Street, Baltimore MD 21224 License # LBD7 007

1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Applicant(s): N/A

Request for a 180-day hardship extension and request to reopen after 90 days by Erika Robinson.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: Epic Lounge Bar Cutrate, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good

standing as of March 29, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2019.

Witnesses: Licensee – Failed to Appear

Disposition: This matter has been postponed for a future hearing date.

Regular Item – Request for a 180-Day Hardship Extension

10:30 AM

Linden Bar & Liquors, Inc., t/a Linden Bar & Liquors License # LBD7 161

904-08 W. North Avenue, Baltimore MD 21217 7th Councilmanic District (Torrence)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Peter Prevas

Request for a 180-day hardship extension by Min Sik Haberkam (SS) and Chang K. Yim.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: Linden Bar & Liquors, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good

standing as of March 29, 2023.

Location Violation History: May 19, 2022 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minors) –

Fined \$825

Witnesses: Chang K. Yim – Licensee

Disposition: The Board has approved the request of a 180-day hardship extension to the

licensee(s) by a 3-0 vote.

Regular Item – Request for a 90-Day Transfer Hardship Extension 10:30 AM

CNY Enterprise, LLC, t/a Mt. Vernon Liquor License # LA 076

815-17 N. Charles Street, Baltimore MD 21201 12th Councilmanic District (Stokes)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Peter Prevas

Request for a 90-day transfer hardship extension by Young Yim and Kyle Skinner.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: CNY Enterprise, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing

as of March 29, 2023.

Location Violation History: None. **Witnesses**: Young Kim – Applicant

Disposition: The Board has approved the request of a 90-day transfer hardship extension to the

licensee(s) by a 3-0 vote.

Regular Item – Request for a 90-Day Transfer Hardship Extension 10:30 AM

2900 O'Donnell St LL, LLC, t/a Trade Name Pending License # LBD7 047

2900 O'Donnell Street, Baltimore MD 21224 1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Drew Tilden

Request for a 90-day transfer hardship extension by Brian Kevin McGlory.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: 2900 O'Donnell St LL, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good

standing as of March 29, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2008.

Witnesses: Brian McGlory – Applicant

Disposition: The Board has approved the request of a 90-day transfer hardship extension to the

licensee(s) by a 3-0 vote.

Regular Item – Request for a 90-Day Transfer Hardship Extension 10:30 AM

Apla 1, LLC, t/a Maria D's License # WD 027

1016 Light Street, Baltimore MD 21230 11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Melvin Kodenski

Request for a 90-day transfer hardship extension by Sophia Livaditis.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: Apla 1, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of

March 29, 2023.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: --

Disposition: The Board has approved the request of a 90-day transfer hardship extension to the

licensee(s) by a 3-0 vote.

Regular Item – Request for a 90-Day Transfer Hardship Extension

Extension 10:30 AM

Feed the Scene Foundation, Inc., t/a Sidebar License # LD 027

218-20 E. Lexington Street, Baltimore MD 21202 11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Stephan Fogleman

Request for a 90-day transfer hardship extension by Rachel Taft.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: Feed the Scene Foundation, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good

standing as of March 29, 2023.

Location Violation History: None. **Witnesses**: Rachel Taft – Applicant

Disposition: The Board has approved the request of a 90-day transfer hardship extension to the

licensee(s) by a 3-0 vote.

Regular Item – Request for a 90-Day Transfer Hardship Extension 10:30 AM

City Escape, LLC, t/a City Escape Bar & Lounge License # LBD7 397

2213-15 Kirk Avenue, Baltimore MD 21218 12th Councilmanic District (Stokes)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Stephan Fogleman

Request for a 90-day transfer hardship extension by Terry M. Jefferson and Cameron Jefferson.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: City Escape, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 30, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2019.

Witnesses: Terry M. Jefferson – Applicant, Cameron Jefferson – Applicant

Disposition: The Board has approved the request of a 90-day transfer hardship extension to the

licensee(s) by a 3-0 vote.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.12 and Rule 4.16

10:30 AM

Acrostic Enterprises, Inc., t/a Southern Provisions License # LBD7 110

3000-02 O'Donnell Street, Baltimore MD 21224 1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Frank Shaulis

Alleged violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately 11:56 p.m. on January 21, 2023 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 complaint for disturbing the peace/noise/loud music/front door open. The inspector observed that the front door was closed and that the music was at an acceptable volume, the outside area was closed, and no outside speakers were on. When the inspector was returning to their car, they heard people screaming and observed people pushing and being shoved out of the front door of the establishment. The inspector returned to the establishment and made contact with the security officer. The inspector observed the establishment inside and could see that there was a large amount of people up to the front door and asked the security guard how many people were inside and they stated it was around 82 people downstairs and 30 people upstairs. The inspector asked what the capacity was and the security guard stated the capacity was 90 downstairs and 30 upstairs. When the inspector entered the establishment

to get a head count, it appeared that there were significantly more than 83 patrons inside on the first floor. The inspector was unable to make it to the bar area as there was no room to walk and patrons were shoulder to shoulder trying to move around. The inspector started to count and counted approximately 120 people, excluding staff, and a room to the side was estimated to have 20 more people as the inspector was unable to make it over to that area to do an exact count. The inspector made contact with the manager and asked them to provide their liquor license and their fire permit, which was provided on the second floor. Upon review of the fire permit, the capacity was 90 people on the first floor and 60 people on the second floor. The inspector did a quick count and found there to be approximately 60 people on the second floor. The manger instructed security to not allow anyone in as the establishment tried to get their numbers on the first floor in compliance. Alleged violation of Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct) when at approximately 11:56 p.m. on January 21, 2023 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 complaint for disturbing the peace/noise/loud music/front door open. The inspector observed that the front door was closed and that the music was at an acceptable volume, the outside area was closed, and no outside speakers were on. When the inspector was returning to their car, they heard people screaming and observed people pushing and being shoved out of the front door of the establishment. The inspector returned to the establishment and made contact with the security officer. The inspector observed the establishment inside and could see that there was a large amount of people up to the front door and asked the security guard how many people were inside and they stated it was around 82 people downstairs and 30 people upstairs. The inspector asked what the capacity was and the security guard stated the capacity was 90 downstairs and 30 upstairs. When the inspector entered the establishment to get a head count, it appeared that there were significantly more than 83 patrons inside on the first floor. The inspector was unable to make it to the bar area as there was no room to walk and patrons were shoulder to shoulder trying to move around. The inspector started to count and counted approximately 120 people, excluding staff, and a room to the side was estimated to have 20 more people as the inspector was unable to make it over to that area to do an exact count. The inspector made contact with the manager and asked them to provide their liquor license and their fire permit, which was provided on the second floor. Upon review of the fire permit, the capacity was 90 people on the first floor and 60 people on the second floor. The inspector did a quick count and found there to be approximately 60 people on the second floor. The manger instructed security to not allow anyone in as the establishment tried to get their numbers on the first floor in compliance. Corporate Standing: Acrostic Enterprises, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 30, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2009.

Witnesses: Matthew Lasiniski – Licensee, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 3.12 and Rule 4.16 on January 21, 2023 and imposed a fine of \$300 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.17

10:30 AM

The Avenue K&B, LLC, t/a The Avenue Kitchen and Bar License # LB 240 911 W. 36th Street, Baltimore MD 21211 14th Councilmanic District (Ramos)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Stephan Fogleman

Alleged violation of Rule 4.17 (Storage) when on November 25, 2022 members of the BLLC arrived at the establishment to find a table set up with coffee and tea and bottles of liquor that were displayed on the sidewalk om front of the establishment, outside of the premises. The inspector met with the manger and explained that they cannot do that unless they have an extension of the premises for the use of alcohol. Upon an inspection, the inspector asked for the manger to produce a valid traders license, but the manager was unable to. A violation was issued for the storage of alcohol outside the premises and gave them 7-10 business days to obtain a valid 2022 trader's license. The manager removed the table at that time.

Corporate Standing: The Avenue K&B, LLC is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of March 30, 2023.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: Ali Sahin – Manager, Darryl Clark – BLLC Agent Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 3.17 on November 25, 2022 and imposed a fine of \$150 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of AB Rule 3.12, AE Rule 3.05(a) and AE Rule 3.18(a)(2)

MD J3 D Entertainment, LLC, t/a Larry Flynt's Hustler Club

18 Custom House, Baltimore MD 21202

11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

License # LBD7 276 / AE 016

Attorney for Licensee(s): Peter Prevas

Alleged violation of AB Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately 1:36 a.m. on January 27, 2023 officers of the Baltimore Police Department responded to the establishment for a report of a shooting;

According to one of the officers, upon arrival, the officers made their way up to the second floor of the establishment where they located a male victim with one single gunshot to the right leg. The victim had their garments cut with a tourniquet was applied, and a medic was called and dispatched to the scene, where the victim was taken to a hospital in stable condition. The crime lab responded to the location to process the scene and a 9mm shell casing was recovered. The officers interviewed one of the club workers, who stated that one of the waitresses was inside the VIP dancing with a customer, which was not paid for and asked the customer to leave the room if he was not paying for the service. While the club

worker was talking to the waitress inside the VIP room there was a loud bang. The club worker went outside and saw the victim on the ground and saw a suspect running down the stairs, ran after them and tackled them to the ground and another co-worker assisted with wrestling the suspect to the ground. The club worker stated the suspect dropped the gun and ran down the steps and wanted to find out who had taken the gun. The club worker was also bitten on the elbow by the suspect and the crime lab tech swabbed for DNA evidence. The suspect was sitting at the bar at approximately 11:30 p.m. before the incident occurred and there was a slightly cream color marijuana wrapper containing suspected marijuana that was left in the spot where the suspect sat just before the incident. In reference to the incident, a small bag of suspected marijuana was found in the victim's jacket pocket, and the alleged marijuana was submitted as evidence;

According to one of the officers, they located the victim laying down on the third floor and helped cut the victim's clothing and identified witnesses at the scene. The general manager stated that they heard a "pop" and saw the suspect run down the stairs and observed the club worker ran after the suspect. The general manger stated they also ran after the pair and help apprehend the suspect and also observed the club worker wrestle the fun from the suspect's grasp. The suspect then left the club from the VIP entrance on Custom House Avenue. The club worker tried to restrain the suspect in the club but they broke out of their grasp and left out the Customer House Avenue exit. The charge is being brought for the discharging of a firearm within the licensed premises and the wounding of a patron therein.

Alleged violation of AE Rule 3.05(a) (Incorporation of Liquor License Rules and Regulations to Applicable Licensees) when at approximately 1:36 a.m. on January 27, 2023 officers of the Baltimore Police Department responded to the establishment for a report of a shooting;

According to one of the officers, upon arrival, the officers made their way up to the second floor of the establishment where they located a male victim with one single gunshot to the right leg. The victim had their garments cut with a tourniquet was applied, and a medic was called and dispatched to the scene, where the victim was taken to a hospital in stable condition. The crime lab responded to the location to process the scene and a 9mm shell casing was recovered. The officers interviewed one of the club workers, who stated that one of the waitresses was inside the VIP dancing with a customer, which was not paid for and asked the customer to leave the room if he was not paying for the service. While the club worker was talking to the waitress inside the VIP room there was a loud bang. The club worker went outside and saw the victim on the ground and saw a suspect running down the stairs, ran after them and tackled them to the ground and another co-worker assisted with wrestling the suspect to the ground. The club worker stated the suspect dropped the gun and ran down the steps and wanted to find out who had taken the gun. The club worker was also bitten on the elbow by the suspect and the crime lab tech swabbed for DNA evidence. The suspect was sitting at the bar at approximately 11:30 p.m. before the incident

occurred and there was a slightly cream color marijuana wrapper containing suspected marijuana that was left in the spot where the suspect sat just before the incident. In reference to the incident, a small bag of suspected marijuana was found in the victim's jacket pocket, and the alleged marijuana was submitted as evidence;

According to one of the officers, they located the victim laying down on the third floor and helped cut the victim's clothing and identified witnesses at the scene. The general manager stated that they heard a "pop" and saw the suspect run down the stairs and observed the club worker ran after the suspect. The general manger stated they also ran after the pair and help apprehend the suspect and also observed the club worker wrestle the fun from the suspect's grasp. The suspect then left the club from the VIP entrance on Custom House Avenue. The club worker tried to restrain the suspect in the club but they broke out of their grasp and left out the Customer House Avenue exit. The charge is being brought for the discharging of a firearm within the licensed premises and the wounding of a patron therein.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.18(a)(2) (Illegal Conduct and Codes Compliance) when at approximately 1:36 a.m. on January 27, 2023 officers of the Baltimore Police Department responded to the establishment for a report of a shooting;

According to one of the officers, upon arrival, the officers made their way up to the second floor of the establishment where they located a male victim with one single gunshot to the right leg. The victim had their garments cut with a tourniquet was applied, and a medic was called and dispatched to the scene, where the victim was taken to a hospital in stable condition. The crime lab responded to the location to process the scene and a 9mm shell casing was recovered. The officers interviewed one of the club workers, who stated that one of the waitresses was inside the VIP dancing with a customer, which was not paid for and asked the customer to leave the room if he was not paying for the service. While the club worker was talking to the waitress inside the VIP room there was a loud bang. The club worker went outside and saw the victim on the ground and saw a suspect running down the stairs, ran after them and tackled them to the ground and another co-worker assisted with wrestling the suspect to the ground. The club worker stated the suspect dropped the gun and ran down the steps and wanted to find out who had taken the gun. The club worker was also bitten on the elbow by the suspect and the crime lab tech swabbed for DNA evidence. The suspect was sitting at the bar at approximately 11:30 p.m. before the incident occurred and there was a slightly cream color marijuana wrapper containing suspected marijuana that was left in the spot where the suspect sat just before the incident. In reference to the incident, a small bag of suspected marijuana was found in the victim's jacket pocket, and the alleged marijuana was submitted as evidence;

According to one of the officers, they located the victim laying down on the third floor and helped cut the victim's clothing and identified witnesses at the scene. The general manager stated that they heard a "pop" and saw the suspect run down the stairs and observed the club worker ran after the suspect. The general manger stated they also ran after the pair

and help apprehend the suspect and also observed the club worker wrestle the fun from the suspect's grasp. The suspect then left the club from the VIP entrance on Custom House Avenue. The club worker tried to restrain the suspect in the club but they broke out of their grasp and left out the Customer House Avenue exit. The charge is being brought for the discharging of a firearm within the licensed premises and the wounding of a patron therein.

Corporate Standing: MD J3 D Entertainment, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 30, 2023.

Location Violation History:

Witnesses: --

Disposition: Attorney Peter Prevas requested a postponement on the record. The Board has granted the request for postponement. This matter will be scheduled for a future hearing date.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.16, Rule 4.16, Rule 4.14(a), and Rule 3.12

Wendy's Bar, Inc., t/a Byzantio Café Bar License # LBD7 224

4616-18 Eastern Avenue, Baltimore MD 21224 1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Stephan Fogleman

Alleged violation of Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct – Over Capacity – Building, Fire, and Related Codes of Baltimore City Section 109 Maintenance – IFC 108.6) when at approximately 10:00 p.m. on January 27, 2023 members of the BLLC responded to the establishment with the Social Club Task Force, which consists of the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore City Fire Department, Baltimore City Housing Department, and Baltimore City Health Department to conduct an inspection of the establishment. The inspectors attempted to enter the establishment on the Eastern Avenue side, but found the front door locked and not in use. Inspectors then walked to the side door on the Newkirk Street side and observed the establishment was open and operating with approximately 66 people inside. Inspectors observed that there was a disc jockey playing music from a booth. Upon review of the establishments various licenses, the inspector determined that the maximum fire rated capacity was 40 persons and that the establishment was not authorized for live entertainment.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct – Exit Door – Building, Fire, and Related Codes of Baltimore City Chapter 10 Means of Egress – IFC 1031.2 – Reliability of Egress) when at approximately 10:00 p.m. on January 27, 2023 members of the BLLC responded to the establishment with the Social Club Task Force, which consists of the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore City Fire Department, Baltimore City Housing Department, and Baltimore City Health Department to conduct an inspection of the establishment. The inspectors attempted to enter the establishment on the Eastern Avenue side, but found the front door locked and not in use. Inspectors then walked to the side door on the Newkirk Street side and observed the establishment was open and operating with approximately 66

people inside. Inspectors observed that there was a disc jockey playing music from a booth. Upon review of the establishments various licenses, the inspector determined that the maximum fire rated capacity was 40 persons and that the establishment was not authorized for live entertainment.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.14(a) (Live Entertainment without Authorization) when at approximately 10:00 p.m. on January 27, 2023 members of the BLLC responded to the establishment with the Social Club Task Force, which consists of the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore City Fire Department, Baltimore City Housing Department, and Baltimore City Health Department to conduct an inspection of the establishment. The inspectors attempted to enter the establishment on the Eastern Avenue side, but found the front door locked and not in use. Inspectors then walked to the side door on the Newkirk Street side and observed the establishment was open and operating with approximately 66 people inside. Inspectors observed that there was a disc jockey playing music from a booth. Upon review of the establishments various licenses, the inspector determined that the maximum fire rated capacity was 40 persons and that the establishment was not authorized for live entertainment.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately 10:50 p.m. on March 4, 2023 an Agent Inspector of the BLLC received a call from the Chief Inspector to respond to the establishment. At approximately 11:05 p.m. the inspector arrived at the establishment and observed a crime scene cordoned off by the Baltimore Police Department between the 4600 and 4700 blocks of Eastern Avenue, and the 400 block of South Newkirk Street. The Chief Inspector informed the Agent that there was an altercation between a bar patron and an unknown individual had occurred just a few steps from the bar's side door facing South Newkirk Street. The victim had sustained a large cut to his forearm with a blood trail at the location. The inspector spoke to the licensee who was not at the establishment when the incident occurred and had arrived moments after where the information was provided to them by their staff, which was that the two parties involved had a verbal argument inside the establishment and that the suspect left the premises prior to the victim leaving Moments later the victim stepped outside and that's when the incident occurred. The inspector asked if the licensee would be willing to provide video camera footage to the police, and she started that they were already doing so. The inspector asked the licensee if their security staff were employees of the establishment or if they were a third-party contractor security company. The licensee stated they were services contracted from Halal Protective Services, LLC and provided the inspector a copy of the agreement and security plan. While processing the scene, the police officers found 3 shell casings within the 400 block of South Newkirk Street. Video footage reviewed from a nearby business showed that at approximately 6:25 p.m., a red pickup truck drove past the establishment and the driver of the pick-up truck pointed a handgun out the front driver window towards the two security bouncers working at the establishment. The video shows that the gun could be seen firing, however no one was struck. The incident is believed to be

isolated from the cutting incident. The inspector determined that no one reported either of the violent incidents to the Police Department.

Corporate Standing: Wendy's Bar, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 30, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2018.

Witnesses: Claudia Castro – Licensee, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector, Andy Perez – BLLC Agent Inspector, John Chrissomallis – BLLC Chief Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.16 and Rule 4.16 on January 27, 2023, and Rule 3.12 on March 4, 2023, and Dismissed Rule 4.14(a) on January 27, 2023 and imposed a fine of \$700 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.18(a), Rule 4.16, and Rule 4.14(a) 10:30 AM

O'Ryan, LLC, t/a O'Ryan's Pub

License # LBD7 289

53-55 S. Kresson Street, Baltimore MD 21224

2nd Councilmanic District (McCray)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Stephan Fogleman

Alleged violation of Rule 4.18(a) (Alterations) when at approximately 11:25 p.m. on March 10, 2023 members of the BLLC responded to the establishment with the Social Club Task Force, which consists of the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore City Fire Department, Baltimore City Housing Department, and Baltimore City Health Department to conduct a joint inspection. Upon entering the establishment, the inspector observed that a wall dividing the bar area and lounge/pool room had been removed expanding the bar area. The inspector reviewed the file on March 23, 2023 and confirmed that no requests for alterations of the bar area were made or approved by the BLLC. Additionally, on March 10, 2023, the inspector observed several charcoal lit hookahs were in use and a dedicated individual was set up as a disc jokey with a laptop, soundboards, and a microphone. As a result of the inspection, the Fire Marshall issued a notice for an expired fire permit, locked egress door, and charcoal lit hookah and the housing inspector issued a notice for unauthorized live entertainment, indoor smoking, and is investigating if any permits were required to have been pulled for the construction and alterations done on the premises. Alleged violation of Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct – Charcoal Hookah) when at approximately 11:25 p.m. on March 10, 2023 members of the BLLC responded to the establishment with the Social Club Task Force, which consists of the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore City Fire Department, Baltimore City Housing Department, and Baltimore City Health Department to conduct a joint inspection. Upon entering the establishment, the inspector observed that a wall dividing the bar area and lounge/pool room had been removed expanding the bar area. The inspector reviewed the file on March 23, 2023 and confirmed that no requests for alterations of the bar area were made or approved by the BLLC. Additionally, on March 10, 2023, the inspector observed several charcoal lit hookahs were in use and a dedicated individual was set up as a disc jokey with a laptop, soundboards, and a microphone. As a result of the inspection, the Fire Marshall issued a

notice for an expired fire permit, locked egress door, and charcoal lit hookah and the housing inspector issued a notice for unauthorized live entertainment, indoor smoking, and is investigating if any permits were required to have been pulled for the construction and alterations done on the premises.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.14(a) (Live Entertainment without Authorization) when at approximately 11:25 p.m. on March 10, 2023 members of the BLLC responded to the establishment with the Social Club Task Force, which consists of the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore City Fire Department, Baltimore City Housing Department, and Baltimore City Health Department to conduct a joint inspection. Upon entering the establishment, the inspector observed that a wall dividing the bar area and lounge/pool room had been removed expanding the bar area. The inspector reviewed the file on March 23, 2023 and confirmed that no requests for alterations of the bar area were made or approved by the BLLC. Additionally, on March 10, 2023, the inspector observed several charcoal lit hookahs were in use and a dedicated individual was set up as a disc jokey with a laptop, soundboards, and a microphone. As a result of the inspection, the Fire Marshall issued a notice for an expired fire permit, locked egress door, and charcoal lit hookah and the housing inspector issued a notice for unauthorized live entertainment, indoor smoking, and is investigating if any permits were required to have been pulled for the construction and alterations done on the premises.

Corporate Standing: O'Ryan, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 30, 2023.

Location Violation History: February 13, 2020 – Violation of Rule 4.05(a) (Prohibited Hours) and Rule 4.05(b) (Prohibited Hours) – Fined \$625

Witnesses: Edwin Aguilar – Licensee, Solomon Welderkirstos – Licensee, Andy Perez – BLLC Agent Inspector, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.18(a), Rule 4.16 and Rule 4.14(a) on March 10, 2023 and imposed a fine of \$400 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.12 and Rule 4.14(a)

10:30 AM

Gus's Sports Bar, Inc., t/a Gus's Sports Bar

License # LBD7 002

1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Alleged violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately 11:45 p.m. on March 5, 2023 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 call for alleged disturbing the peace/noise/loud music/front door open at the establishment. Upon arriving at approximately 12:05 a.m., the inspector began making observations and observed that both the front and side doors of the establishment were closed. After further observations, the inspector heard what they believed to be karaoke performed, which could clearly be heard over half a block away. The inspector entered the establishment and confirmed that

karaoke was being performed at the back of the bar, as a male individual was observed holding a microphone and singing to lyrics displayed on a flat screen television while a designated karaoke disc jockey was using a laptop and soundboards for the purpose of karaoke activities. After review of the establishment's liquor license, it was determined that the establishment did not have live entertainment.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.14(a) (Live Entertainment without Authorization) when at approximately 11:45 p.m. on March 5, 2023 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 call for alleged disturbing the peace/noise/loud music/front door open at the establishment. Upon arriving at approximately 12:05 a.m., the inspector began making observations and observed that both the front and side doors of the establishment were closed. After further observations, the inspector heard what they believed to be karaoke performed, which could clearly be heard over half a block away. The inspector entered the establishment and confirmed that karaoke was being performed at the back of the bar, as a male individual was observed holding a microphone and singing to lyrics displayed on a flat screen television while a designated karaoke disc jockey was using a laptop and soundboards for the purpose of karaoke activities. After review of the establishment's liquor license, it was determined that the establishment did not have live entertainment.

Corporate Standing: Gus's Sports Bar, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 30, 2023.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: Gustavo A. Alarcon – Licensee, Kristin Alarcon – Licensee's Wife, Andy Perez - BLLC Agent Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 3.12 and Rule 4.14(a) on March 5, 2023 and imposed a fine of \$100 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.05(a) and Rule 4.05(b)

10:30 AM

Amigos Bar, Inc., t/a Amigos Bar

License # LD 014

400 S. Eaton Street, Baltimore MD 21224

2nd Councilmanic District (McCray)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Stephan Fogleman

Alleged violation of Rule 4.05(a) (Prohibited Hours) when at approximately 2:13 a.m. on February 17, 2023 members of the BLLC was notified by a patrolmen in the sector of City where the establishment is located that a 911 call had been received by the Police Department for the establishment and if they could respond to the establishment. Upon arrival at approximately 2:20 a.m., the inspector could hear music and people inside the establishment. The front door and side door were both locked. The inspector knocked loudly and identified themselves, and could hear the music being shut off and could hear bottles being thrown in the trash, as well as what sounded like individuals running up a staircase. Approximately 5 minutes later, the door opened and the inspector entered the establishment and observed several beers on the bar and approximately 10 males and 2

females inside, including the manager. The inspector asked the manager why the establishment was open well after 2 a.m. when the license only goes until 1 a.m., and did not receive a response. The patrolman called for a translator over the telephone and the inspector asked that the manger get the people who ran upstairs so that they could ensure they exited the building, but the manager responded that there was no one upstairs. The inspector determined that their goal was to insure that everyone needed to safely exit the establishment. After the inspector stated that they would be issued a violation for operating after hours, that warnings would be given for cooperation for not opening the door and for false statement for lying about the individuals upstairs. Approximately 10 females came downstairs and exited the establishment and only two employees and the manager were left inside.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.05(b) (Prohibited Hours) when at approximately 2:13 a.m. on February 17, 2023 members of the BLLC was notified by a patrolmen in the sector of City where the establishment is located that a 911 call had been received by the Police Department for the establishment and if they could respond to the establishment. Upon arrival at approximately 2:20 a.m., the inspector could hear music and people inside the establishment. The front door and side door were both locked. The inspector knocked loudly and identified themselves, and could hear the music being shut off and could hear bottles being thrown in the trash, as well as what sounded like individuals running up a staircase. Approximately 5 minutes later, the door opened and the inspector entered the establishment and observed several beers on the bar and approximately 10 males and 2 females inside, including the manager. The inspector asked the manager why the establishment was open well after 2 a.m. when the license only goes until 1 a.m., and did not receive a response. The patrolman called for a translator over the telephone and the inspector asked that the manger get the people who ran upstairs so that they could ensure they exited the building, but the manager responded that there was no one upstairs. The inspector determined that their goal was to insure that everyone needed to safely exit the establishment. After the inspector stated that they would be issued a violation for operating after hours, that warnings would be given for cooperation for not opening the door and for false statement for lying about the individuals upstairs. Approximately 10 females came downstairs and exited the establishment and only two employees and the manager were left inside.

Corporate Standing: Amigos Bar, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 30, 2023.

Location Violation History: November 5, 2020 – Violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare), Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct), Rule 4.05(a) (Prohibited Hours) and Rule 4.05(b) (Prohibited Hours) – Fined \$375

Witnesses: Carols Navarro Sotelo – Licensee, John Chrissomallis – BLLC Chief Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.05(a) and Rule 4.05(b) on February 17, 2023 and imposed a fine of \$500 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.12

10:30 AM

Ropewalk, Inc., t/a Ropewalk "A Federal Hill Tavern & Seafood Co."

1209 S. Charles Street, Baltimore MD 21230

License # LBD7 309

11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Melvin Kodenski

Alleged violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately 10:24 p.m. on February 24, 2023 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 complaint for loud music/door open. Upon arrival to the area, the inspector stood on the side of the establishment in Ropewalk alleyway and could hear music and base well above an acceptable level. The inspector made contact with the licensee and was made aware of the complaint. The music was lowered and a violation was issued.

Corporate Standing: Ropewalk, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 30, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2016.

Witnesses: Linda McFaul – Licensee, Kenyatta Washington – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 3.12 on February 24, 2023 and

imposed a fine of \$100 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(d)

10:30 AM

Pat Chase Private Clubhouse, Inc., t/a Patchase License # LC 034

1101 N. Patterson Park Avenue, Baltimore MD 21213

13th Councilmanic District (Glover)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(d) (Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class C Licensees: May not be Open to the General Public) when at approximately 9:50 p.m. on February 10, 2023 members of the BLLC responded to the establishment with the Social Club Task Force, which consists of the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore City Fire Department, Baltimore City Housing Department, and Baltimore City Health Department to conduct a joint investigation. The inspectors arrived and conducted a general inspection of the establishment and business records. The establishment was unable to provide a Trader's license, Health permit, or records for purchases of alcoholic beverages. The establishment was found to be open to the general public and failed to present a daily signin sheet or membership log. An inspector issued a warning to the establishment on November 4, 2022 for failing to provide documents upon the inspector's request. An inspection further determined that the establishment did not have hot water or a three-compartment sink.

Corporate Standing: Pat Chase Private Clubhouse, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 30, 2023.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: Angelo Woods – Licensee, Rosalba Jordan – BLLC Inspector, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.20(d) on February 10, 2023 and imposed a fine of \$100 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.