

BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

HEARING DISPOSITIONS

**THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2024
100 N. HOLLIDAY STREET, ROOM 215
BALTIMORE, MD 21202**

**Albert Matricciani, Jr., Chairperson
Edward Reisinger, Commissioner
Granville Templeton, Commissioner**

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii), Rule 3.03(c), Rule 3.03(d)(ii), and Rule 3.09(b) 10:30 AM

Manjit, Inc. Three, t/a The Liquor Store – Socialize License # LBD7 254
6130 Belair Road, Baltimore MD 21206 2nd Councilmanic District (McCray)

Attorney for Licensee(s):

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class BD7 Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) when at approximately 5:15 p.m. on February 15, 2024 members of the BLLC and Baltimore City Sheriff’s Department conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the city to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. The inspectors entered in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern for on premises consumption. When they asked to use the tavern, they were told it was closed and were refused entry inside. The inspectors then proceeded to purchase a six-pack of Jack Daniel’s Black from the package goods area, then exited the establishment after the purchase. Inspectors then made contact with the cashier who stated that the manager had just left and called the manager back to the establishment. The inspectors spoke to the manager and informed them that their employee refused entry into the tavern area. Inspectors also noted that there was a rope across the door cordoning off the bar and hot water and disinfectant solution were not present in the 3-compartment sink for sanitizing drinkware as required. The manager was asked for employee records to help identify with staff working at the time, but they were unable to provide any records. The manager was also unable to provide the inspectors with a 2023 trader’s license for inspection. The alcoholic beverage and changer were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.03(c) (Records: Employee Records) when at approximately 5:15 p.m. on February 15, 2024 members of the BLLC and Baltimore City Sheriff’s Department conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the city to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. The inspectors entered in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern for on premises consumption. When they asked to use the tavern, they

were told it was closed and were refused entry inside. The inspectors then proceeded to purchase a six-pack of Jack Daniel's Black from the package goods area, then exited the establishment after the purchase. Inspectors then made contact with the cashier who stated that the manager had just left and called the manager back to the establishment. The inspectors spoke to the manager and informed them that their employee refused entry into the tavern area. Inspectors also noted that there was a rope across the door cordoning off the bar and hot water and disinfectant solution were not present in the 3-compartment sink for sanitizing drinkware as required. The manager was asked for employee records to help identify with staff working at the time, but they were unable to provide any records. The manager was also unable to provide the inspectors with a 2023 trader's license for inspection. The alcoholic beverage and changer were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.03(d)(ii) (Records: Trader's License) when at approximately 5:15 p.m. on February 15, 2024 members of the BLLC and Baltimore City Sheriff's Department conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the city to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. The inspectors entered in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern for on premises consumption. When they asked to use the tavern, they were told it was closed and were refused entry inside. The inspectors then proceeded to purchase a six-pack of Jack Daniel's Black from the package goods area, then exited the establishment after the purchase. Inspectors then made contact with the cashier who stated that the manager had just left and called the manager back to the establishment. The inspectors spoke to the manager and informed them that their employee refused entry into the tavern area. Inspectors also noted that there was a rope across the door cordoning off the bar and hot water and disinfectant solution were not present in the 3-compartment sink for sanitizing drinkware as required. The manager was asked for employee records to help identify with staff working at the time, but they were unable to provide any records. The manager was also unable to provide the inspectors with a 2023 trader's license for inspection. The alcoholic beverage and changer were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.09(b) (Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations: compliance with State and City Health Department laws, rules, and regulations) when at approximately 5:15 p.m. on February 15, 2024 members of the BLLC and Baltimore City Sheriff's Department conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the city to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. The inspectors entered in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern for on premises consumption. When they asked to use the tavern, they were told it was closed and were refused entry inside. The inspectors then proceeded to purchase a six-pack of Jack Daniel's Black from the package goods area, then exited the establishment after the purchase. Inspectors then made contact with the

cashier who stated that the manager had just left and called the manager back to the establishment. The inspectors spoke to the manager and informed them that their employee refused entry into the tavern area. Inspectors also noted that there was a rope across the door cordoning off the bar and hot water and disinfectant solution were not present in the 3-compartment sink for sanitizing drinkware as required. The manager was asked for employee records to help identify with staff working at the time, but they were unable to provide any records. The manager was also unable to provide the inspectors with a 2023 trader's license for inspection. The alcoholic beverage and changer were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

Corporate Standing: Manjit, Inc. Three is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 21, 2024.

Location Violation History: None since 2018.

Witnesses: Praneet Sahni – Licensee, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector, Kenyatta Washington – BLLC Inspector, Sergeant Hawley – Baltimore City Sheriff Officer

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.20(c)(ii), Rule 3.03(c), Rule 3.03(d)(ii), and Rule 3.09(b) on February 15, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$400 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) and Rule 3.03(c) 10:30 AM

La Roca, LLC, t/a La Roca License # LBD7 244
3210-14 Pulaski Highway, Baltimore MD 21224 13th Councilmanic District (Glover)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Abraham Hurdle

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class BD7

Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) when at approximately 6:45 p.m. on February 15, 2024 members of the BLLC and Baltimore City Sheriff's Department conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the city to determine if BD7

establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. The inspectors entered in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern for on premises consumption. When the inspectors asked to use the tavern, they were told it was closed and were refused entry inside. They then proceeded to purchase a six-pack of Corona Beer from the package goods area, then exited the establishment after the purchase. Inspectors then made contact with the cashier, who called for the owner and manager to come to the establishment. Inspectors spoke with the manager and informed then that staff reused entry into the tavern area. The inspectors asked for employee records to help identity the staff working at the time, but they were unable to provide any employment records at that time. The alcoholic beverage and changer were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.03(c) (Records: Employee Records) when at approximately 6:45 p.m. on February 15, 2024 members of the BLLC and Baltimore City Sheriff's Department conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the city to determine if BD7

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establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. The inspectors entered in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern for on premises consumption. When the inspectors asked to use the tavern, they were told it was closed and were refused entry inside. They then proceeded to purchase a six-pack of Corona Beer from the package goods area, then exited the establishment after the purchase. Inspectors then made contact with the cashier, who called for the owner and manager to come to the establishment. Inspectors spoke with the manager and informed them that staff reused entry into the tavern area. The inspectors asked for employee records to help identify the staff working at the time, but they were unable to provide any employment records at that time. The alcoholic beverage and changer were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered. **Corporate Standing:** La Roca, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 21, 2024.

Location Violation History: July 9, 2020 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minors) – Fined \$125 admin fee and suspended 1 week

Witnesses: Juan Ortiz – Licensee, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector, Kenyatta Washington – BLLC Inspector, Sergeant Hawley – Baltimore City Sheriff Officer

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.20(c)(ii) and Rule 3.03(c) on February 15, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$400 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii)

10:30 AM

Rudra, LLC, t/a Orleans Liquors

License # LBD7 069

401 N. Montford Avenue, Baltimore MD 21224

13th Councilmanic District (Glover)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Abraham Hurdle

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class BD7

Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) when at approximately 7:18 p.m. on February 15, 2024 members of the BLLC and Baltimore City Sheriff's Department

conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the city to determine if BD7

establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. The inspectors entered in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern for on premises consumption. When the inspectors asked to use the tavern, they were told it was closed and were refused entry inside. They then proceeded to purchase a bottle of Hennessy from the package goods area, then exited the establishment after the purchase. Inspectors then made contact with the manager and informed them of the violation for refusing entry into the tavern area. The alcoholic beverage and changer were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

Corporate Standing: Rudra, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 21, 2024.

Location Violation History: October 20, 2022 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minors) –

Fined \$625

Witnesses: Anju Silwal Poudel – Licensee, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector, Kenyatta Washington – BLLC Inspector, Sergeant Hawley – Baltimore City Sheriff Officer

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.20(c)(ii) on February 15, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$300 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii)

10:30 AM

United Penn Operating, LLC, t/a Wonderland Liquors
2043-45 Pennsylvania Avenue, Baltimore MD 21217

License # LBD7 145
11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Abraham Hurdle

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class BD7

Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) when at approximately 6:45 p.m. on

February 15, 2024 members of the BLLC and Baltimore City Sheriff's Department

conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the city to determine if BD7

establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods

store. The inspectors entered in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted

access to the tavern for on premises consumption. When the inspectors asked if the bar was

open, they were told it was closed thereby denying access to use the bar for onsite

consumption. They then proceeded to purchase a bottle of E&J Brandy from the package

goods area, then exited the establishment after the purchase. Inspectors then made contact

with the manager and informed them of the violation for refusing entry into the tavern

area. The alcoholic beverage and changer were returned to the establishment and the

departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

Corporate Standing: United Penn Operating, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 21, 2024.

Location Violation History: November 9, 2023 – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class BD7 Licenses: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) and Rule 3.09(a) (Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations) – Fined \$625

Witnesses: Darryl Clark – BLLC Agent Inspector, Deputy Spencer– Baltimore City Sheriff Office

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 43.20(c)(ii) on February 15, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$400 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii)

10:30 AM

Ivey Corporation, t/a Royal Casino
1515-19 Pennsylvania Avenue, Baltimore MD 21217

License # LBD7 177
11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class BD7

Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) when at approximately 7:00 p.m. on

February 15, 2024 members of the BLLC and Baltimore City Sheriff's Department

conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the city to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. The inspectors entered in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern for on premises consumption. When the inspectors proceeded to pull on a black metal gate located to the left of the packaged goods counter to gain access to the tavern area, the store clerk instructed them to close the gate and that they could be served in the packaged goods store. They indicated that if they were looking for a place to sit down, they should go next door, which was another establishment with a Class BD7 license. They then proceeded to purchase a bottle of Jack Daniel's whisky from the packaged goods area, then exited the establishment after the purchase. Inspectors then made contact with the manager and informed them of the violation for refusing entry into the tavern area. The alcoholic beverage and changer were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

Corporate Standing: Ivey Corporation is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 21, 2024.

Location Violation History: None since 2019.

Witnesses: Wesley W. Ivey – License, Western W. Ivey – Licensee, Kim Washington – Employee, Darryl Clark – BLLC Agent Inspector, Deputy Spencer – Baltimore City Sheriff Officer

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.20(c)(ii) on February 15, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$250 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii)

10:30 AM

Eva Group, LLC, t/a Pratt Liquors & Bar
1812 W. Pratt Street, Baltimore MD 21223

License # LBD7 185
9th Councilmanic District (Bullock)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Melvin Kodenski

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class BD7 Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) when at approximately 6:10 p.m. on February 15, 2024 members of the BLLC and Baltimore City Sheriff's Department conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the city to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. The inspectors entered in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern for on premises consumption. When the inspectors proceeded directly to access the tavern area by opening a door inside the packaged goods store. Security personnel seated at the bar, got up and approached the door and informed the inspectors that the bar was closed. The manager working the packaged goods window also told the inspectors that the bar was closed. They then proceeded to purchase a bottle of Crown Royal Apple whiskey from the packaged goods area, then exited the establishment after the purchase. Inspectors then made contact with the manager and informed them of the

violation for refusing entry into the tavern area. The alcoholic beverage and changer were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

Corporate Standing: Eva Group, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 21, 2024.

Location Violation History: September 22, 2020 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minors) – Motion to Dismiss – Granted – No fine assessed
February 2, 2020 – Violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare), Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct), Rule 3.12 (General Welfare), Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct), Rule 3.12 (General Welfare), and Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct) – Fined \$3,125

Witnesses: Darryl Clark – BLLC Agent Inspector, Deputy Spencer– Baltimore City Sheriff Officer

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.20(c)(ii) on February 15, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$300 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii), Rule 3.09(a) and Rule 3.09(b) 10:30 AM

JRC23, Inc., t/a OK Tavern License # LBD7 218
2301 E. Biddle Street, Baltimore MD 21213 13th Councilmanic District (Glover)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Frank Shaulis

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class BD7

Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) when at approximately 12:15 p.m. on March 1, 2024 members of the BLLC arrived at the establishment to perform a routine inspection. Upon entering the establishment, it was found that the tavern part of the establishment was not operational as no liquor was on display to be used in preparation of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption, there was an office desk set up on one side of the bar, hot water and disinfectant solution were not present in the 3-compartment sink for sanitizing drinkware as required, and the restroom was used for storage and was not operational. The manager was informed that violations were being issued.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.09(a) (Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations: Non-Functioning Restroom) when at approximately 12:15 p.m. on March 1, 2024 members of the BLLC arrived at the establishment to perform a routine inspection. Upon entering the establishment, it was found that the tavern part of the establishment was not operational as no liquor was on display to be used in preparation of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption, there was an office desk set up on one side of the bar, hot water and disinfectant solution were not present in the 3-compartment sink for sanitizing drinkware as required, and the restroom was used for storage and was not operational. The manager was informed that violations were being issued.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.09(b) (Rest Room Facilities and Heath Regulations: Compliance with State and City Health Department laws, rules and regulations) when at approximately

12:15 p.m. on March 1, 2024 members of the BLLC arrived at the establishment to perform a routine inspection. Upon entering the establishment, it was found that the tavern part of the establishment was not operational as no liquor was on display to be used in preparation of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption, there was an office desk set up on one side of the bar, hot water and disinfectant solution were not present in the 3-compartment sink for sanitizing drinkware as required, and the restroom was used for storage and was not operational. The manager was informed that violations were being issued.

Corporate Standing: JRC23, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 21, 2024.

Location Violation History: None since 2019

Witnesses: N/A

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

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.07(a) and Rule 3.12	10:30 AM
Baja Tap Baltimore, LLC, t/a Baja Tap	License # LB 348
901 S. Bond Street, Baltimore MD 21231	1 st Councilmanic District (Cohen)
Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A	

Alleged violation of Rule 4.07(a) (Open Containers) when at approximately 1:30 a.m. on January 27, 2024 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 complaint regarding loud music, doors open, and/or disturbing the peace. When inspectors arrived at the establishment, they found the complaint to be valid as loud music could be heard emanating from the establishment approximately half a block away. Upon further inspection, the inspectors noted that the front doors were open while a disc jockey was playing music. The inspectors made contact with the manager and made them aware of the complaint and asked them to lower the volume and close the doors. They were also made aware that this would be the final warning issued for the same infraction as they had received a similar warning on December 16, 2023. The manager immediately complied with the request and state that the establishment would be closing shortly. The inspectors remained outside the establishment for several moments making observations of their closing process. From the outside, they observed the security bouncer chatter with another bar staff member while several bar customers walked outside with alcoholic beverages in their hands and observed, approximately 8-10 patrons leave with open mixed drinks/cans from the establishment. After making these observations, the inspector spoke again with the manager and informed them of the violations observed and that a report would be written.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately 12:15 a.m. on February 24, 2024 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 complaint for loud music, doors open, and/or disturbing the peace. When inspectors arrived at the establishment, they found the complaint to be valid as loud music could be heard emanating from the

establishment approximately a half a block away. Upon further inspection, the inspectors noted that the side window was open while a disc jockey was playing music. The inspectors made contact with the manager and made them aware of the complaint and asked them to lower the volume and close the window. A violation was issued based on similar infractions from January 27, 2024 and the inspectors left without incident.

Corporate Standing: Baja Tap Baltimore, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 21, 2024.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: Scott Parker – Manager, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector, Regina Brown – BLLC Inspector, John Chrissomallis – BLLC Chief Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.07(a) on January 27, 2024 and Rule 3.12 on February 24, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$300 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

**Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii), Rule 4.17(b), Rule 3.09(b) 10:30 AM
4.20(c)(ii), Rule 4.17(b), and Rule 3.09(b)**

Muna, LLC, t/a Busy Bee

License # LBD7 371

4500-04 Erdman Avenue, Baltimore MD 21213

13th Councilmanic District (Glover)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Melvin Kodenski

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class BD7 Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) when on January 8, 2024 members of the BLLC went to the location to investigate a 311 complaint alleging that the tavern area is not always open for on-site consumption when the package goods area is open to customers. Upon arrival, the inspector attempted to access the tavern portion of the establishment, but it was locked. The licensee went around and unlocked the door, but when the inspector entered the tavern area, the lights were off and a large amount of inventory was stored throughout the tavern area, as well as the 3-compartment sink was filled with cold water and solution, not hot water which is required. The license was advised that the tavern area needs to be open when the package goods area is open. The licensee advised that the tavern is open sometimes when they have staff available. The inspector advised that they would be issued a violation as the licensee was given warning in November 2023 and December 2023. As the inspector tried to leave the location, the licensee followed them to their car trying to explain and promised they would keep the tavern open from now on. After several minutes, they left without incident.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.17(b) (Storage) when on January 8, 2024 members of the BLLC went to the location to investigate a 311 complaint alleging that the tavern area is not always open for on-site consumption when the package goods area is open to customers. Upon arrival, the inspector attempted to access the tavern portion of the establishment, but it was locked. The licensee went around and unlocked the door, but when the inspector entered the tavern area, the lights were off and a large amount of inventory was stored

throughout the tavern area, as well as the 3-compartment sink was filled with cold water and solution, not hot water which is required. The license was advised that the tavern area needs to be open when the package goods area is open. The licensee advised that the tavern is open sometimes when they have staff available. The inspector advised that they would be issued a violation as the licensee was given warning in November 2023 and December 2023. As the inspector tried to leave the location, the licensee followed them to their car trying to explain and promised they would keep the tavern open from now on. After several minutes, they left without incident.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.09(b) (Rest room Facilities and Health Regulations: Compliance with State and City Health Department laws, rules and regulations) when on January 8, 2024 members of the BLLC went to the location to investigate a 311 complaint alleging that the tavern area is not always open for on-site consumption when the package goods area is open to customers. Upon arrival, the inspector attempted to access the tavern portion of the establishment, but it was locked. The licensee went around and unlocked the door, but when the inspector entered the tavern area, the lights were off and a large amount of inventory was stored throughout the tavern area, as well as the 3-compartment sink was filled with cold water and solution, not hot water which is required. The license was advised that the tavern area needs to be open when the package goods area is open. The licensee advised that the tavern is open sometimes when they have staff available. The inspector advised that they would be issued a violation as the licensee was given warning in November 2023 and December 2023. As the inspector tried to leave the location, the licensee followed them to their car trying to explain and promised they would keep the tavern open from now on. After several minutes, they left without incident.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class BD7 Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) when on February 25, 2024 members of the BLLC went to the location to conduct a follow-up inspection and to see if the licensee had made any changes to the operation after receiving warnings in November 2023 and December 2023 and a violation on January 8, 2024 for failing to operate the tavern portion of the establishment at all times in which the package goods area was open. Upon arrival, it was determined that the package goods area was open, however the lights in the tavern areas were off leaving the area dark, liquor was being stored throughout the tavern area, and the 3-compartment sink was filled with cold water while hot water and disinfectant solution were not in the sink as required. The licensee was advised that the tavern must be open when the package goods area is operating. The licensee argued with the inspector stating the tavern was open and that they were serving as the bartender. The inspector replied stating that the tavern doesn't appear to be open since the door is closed and the lights were off. Upon hearing this conversation, one of the customers asked if the bar was now open.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.17(b) (Storage) when on February 25, 2024 members of the BLLC went to the location to conduct a follow-up inspection and to see if the licensee had

made any changes to the operation after receiving warnings in November 2023 and December 2023 and a violation on January 8, 2024 for failing to operate the tavern portion of the establishment at all times in which the package goods area was open. Upon arrival, it was determined that the package goods area was open, however the lights in the tavern areas were off leaving the area dark, liquor was being stored throughout the tavern area, and the 3-compartment sink was filled with cold water while hot water and disinfectant solution were not in the sink as required. The licensee was advised that the tavern must be open when the package goods area is operating. The licensee argued with the inspector stating the tavern was open and that they were serving as the bartender. The inspector replied stating that the tavern doesn't appear to be open since the door is closed and the lights were off. Upon hearing this conversation, one of the customers asked if the bar was now open.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.09(b) (Rest room Facilities and Health Regulations: Compliance with State and City Health Department laws, rules and regulations) when on February 25, 2024 members of the BLLC went to the location to conduct a follow-up inspection and to see if the licensee had made any changes to the operation after receiving warnings in November 2023 and December 2023 and a violation on January 8, 2024 for failing to operate the tavern portion of the establishment at all times in which the package goods area was open. Upon arrival, it was determined that the package goods area was open, however the lights in the tavern areas were off leaving the area dark, liquor was being stored throughout the tavern area, and the 3-compartment sink was filled with cold water while hot water and disinfectant solution were not in the sink as required. The licensee was advised that the tavern must be open when the package goods area is operating. The licensee argued with the inspector stating the tavern was open and that they were serving as the bartender. The inspector replied stating that the tavern doesn't appear to be open since the door is closed and the lights were off. Upon hearing this conversation, one of the customers asked if the bar was now open.

Corporate Standing: Muna, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 21, 2024.

Location Violation History: July 14, 2022 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minors) – Fined \$1,125
January 9, 2020 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minors) – Fined \$875

Witnesses: Krist Serchan – Licensee, Regina Brown – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.20(c)(ii), Rule 4.17(b), and Rule 3.09(b) on January 8, 2024 and Rule 4.20(c)(ii), Rule 4.17(b), and Rule 3.09(b) on February 25, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$1,200 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

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Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.05(b)

10:30 AM

5401 Belair, Inc., t/a Garden Liquor
5401 Belair Road, Baltimore MD 21206

License # LA 046
2nd Councilmanic District (McCray)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Alleged violation of Rule 4.05(b) (Prohibited Hours: § 12-2004(a)(1)(ii) permits licensee to operate 1:00 pm – 9:00 pm on Sundays under certain circumstances) when at approximately 10:58 p.m. on December 31, 2023 members of the BLLC investigated a complaint alleging that this establishment was operating outside the scope of their special Sunday license that allows for the business to sell alcohol on Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. between Thanksgiving Day and New Years Day if the license holder has paid a supplementary fee. The inspector arrived at the establishment and observed that the store had several patrons exiting the establishment with alcoholic beverages they had just purchased. Upon entering the establishment, the inspector also observed approximately 4 patrons inside with one of the patrons in the process of purchasing alcohol. The inspector instructed the manager to stop all sales immediately and informed them that they were operating well beyond the mandated closing time of their special Sunday license and would be issued a violation.

Corporate Standing: 5401 Belair, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 21, 2024.

Location Violation History: April 7, 2022 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minors) – Fined \$875
October 14, 2021 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minors) – Fined \$875

Witnesses: N/A

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

Regular Item – Application to Transfer Ownership and Location

10:30 AM

Thames Street Venture, LLC, t/a Trade Name Pending
1704 Thames Street, Baltimore MD 21231

License # LBD7 400
1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Anastasia Thomas Nardangeli

Application to transfer ownership and location of a Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License presently located at 2501-03 Fleet Street to 1704 Thames Street to Darin Mislan.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on February 29, 2024 and checked on March 11, 2024 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Thames Street Venture, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 5, 2024.

Location Violation History: N/A; new location.

Witnesses: N/A

Disposition: This matter was postponed for a future hearing date.

April 4, 2024

Regular Item – Application to Transfer Ownership

10:30 AM

Neighbors, LLC, t/a Neighbors

License # LBD7 385

1901 Gough Street, Baltimore MD 21231

1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Melvin Kodenski

Application to transfer ownership of a Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License from a secured creditor with continuation of outdoor table service to Bonnie Scarpinato.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on March 4, 2024 and checked on March 14, 2024 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Neighbors, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of March 21, 2024.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: Bonnie Scarpinato – Applicant

Disposition: The Board has approved the transfer of the license to the applicant(s) by a 3-0 vote.