BLLC Community Connection

A Community Engagement Newsletter from the Baltimore City Liquor Board

July 2024

BLLC Staff Recognition

This month we are celebrating the work anniversaries of several BLLC staff members! A special congratulations and thank you is in order for *Assistant Executive*Secretary Staci Russell, who is celebrating 22 years of service with the City. She started her tenure with the Health Dept. and has been with the Liquor Board since 2007.

Inspections staff anniversaries:

Agent Steven Han - 7 years

Agent Terri Chase - 7 years

Agent Andy Perez – 8 years

Thank you to Staci and the agents for all they do for the agency and their continued dedication over the years.

Upcoming BLLC Changes Public Comment Period

Stay tuned to the BLLC website and look for a special edition of this newsletter which will cover changes the agency is making to fines and violations. Recent legislation allows the BLLC to offer monetary penalties in lieu of a hearing, and those Rules and Regulations will be released for public comment on Thursday, July 25. The public will be invited to comment on the proposed draft update to the Rules and Regulations. More details to follow soon.

BLLC in the Community: Safety Walks and Association Meetings

BLLC Community Liaison Matt Achhammer regularly attends community meetings and participates in safety walks. This past month, he joined a safety walk in the Charles North area along with BPD and Ms. Charlene Bourne of the Eastern District Community Relations Council. Matt also attended and presented at the Hilltop 4100 Community Association at the request of the President Ms. Minerva Eaton. If your community has not had a BLLC presentation recently, or would like Matt to join your meetings or other events, please send an email to

matt.achhammer@baltimorecity.gov or reach out via cell phone at 410-241-6525.







New BLLC Fees as of July 1, 2024

House Bill 733/Senate Bill 895 adopted by the Maryland General Assembly in the 2024 legislative session, increased the alcoholic beverage licensing fees in Baltimore City, effective July 1. The legislation set the fees for all existing classes of permanent licenses (Class A, B, BD7, C, D, etc.), and allowed the Board to set the fees for one-day and other temporary licenses. The image below shows those fees newly set by the Board, and the full list of all new fees can be found online here:

https://llb.baltimorecity.gov/sites/default/files/BLLC%202024%20Fees%20-%207.1.24.pdf

TEMPORARY LICENSES	
License Type	New Fee
Beer Festival	\$100
Baltimore Wine Festival	\$100
Daily Wine Sampling for Nonprofit Organization	\$25
Beer and Wine Tasting	\$50
Class BWLT (B,W,L, on premises tasting)	
*Daily tasting license	\$50
*26-day tasting license	\$400
*52-day tasting license	\$600
*Tasting license that may be used daily throughout the year	\$1,000
Class C Per Diem (One-day) Beer	\$60
Class C Per Diem (One-day) Beer and Wine	\$60
Class C Per Diem (One-day) Beer, Wine, and Liquor	
*For estimated attendance of less than 300	\$100
*For estimated attendance of more than 300 but less than 1,000	\$200
*For estimated attendance of more than 1,000	\$500
All special Sunday licenses for Class A and Class D	\$120
Temporary outdoor extension of licensed premises	\$200