BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

HEARING DISPOSITIONS

THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2016 100 N. HOLLIDAY STREET, ROOM 215 BALTIMORE, MD 21202

Albert Matricciani, Jr., Chairperson Aaron Greenfield, Commissioner Dana P. Moore, Commissioner

Regular Item - Request to add Live Entertainment and Off-Premise

10:00 AM

O'Donnell/Curley, LLC, t/a El Bufalo

License # LBD7 039

2921 O'Donnell Street, Baltimore MD 21224

Catering

1st Councilmanic District (Kraft)

Attorney for Applicant: Gary Maslan

Request to add live entertainment by Dominic Lascola.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on March 14, 2016 and checked on March 25, 2016 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: O'Donnell/Curley, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of June 27, 2016.

Violations History: None since 2010.

Witnesses: Dominic Lascola – Licensee, Kelly James – Attorney, Douglas Kaufman – Canton

Community Association, Sarah Berman – Neighbor

Disposition: The Board has approved the request of live entertainment to the licensee(s) by a 3-0

vote.

Regular Item - Request for a 180 Day Hardship Extension

10:00 AM

F & C, LLC, t/a Poncabird Pub

License # LBD7 246

1725 Poncabird Pass, Baltimore MD 21224

1st Councilmanic District (Kraft)

Attorney for Applicant: Melvin Kodenski

Request for 180 day hardship extension by Steve Chait, Richard Frankton, Jr, and Furruccio Locco.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: F & C, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of June 21, 2016.

Violations History: None.

Witnesses: Steve Chait – Licensee, Melvin Kodenski – Attorney

Disposition: The Board has approved the request of a 180 hardship extension to the licensee(s)

by a 3-0 vote.

Regular Item – Request for a 180 Day Hardship Extension

10:00 AM

3626A Falls Road, Inc., t/a David's Restaurant

License # LB 275

3626A Falls Road, Baltimore MD 21211

7th Councilmanic District (Mosby)

Attorney for Applicant: N/A

Request for 180 day hardship extension by David Morgan.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: 3626A Falls Road, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good

standing as of June 21, 2016. **Violations History**: None.

Witnesses: N/A

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

Regular Item - Application to Transfer Ownership

10:00 AM

Taco Fiesta, LLC, t/a Taco Fiesta

License # LB 041

1001 Fleet Street, Baltimore MD 21202

1st Councilmanic District (Kraft)

Attorney for Applicant: N/A

Application to transfer ownership of a Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor License and requesting outdoor table service to Gerald Gutierrez.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on February 12, 2016 and checked on February 26, 2016 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Taco Fiesta, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of February 29, 2016.

Violations History: None.

Witnesses: Gerald Gutierrez – Applicant

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

Regular Item - Request for a 180 Day Hardship Extension

10:00 AM

N/A, t/a Grundy's

License # LBD7 153

718 S. Grundy Street, Baltimore MD 21224

1st Councilmanic District (Kraft)

Attorney for Applicant: Jonathan Herbst

Request for 180 day hardship extension by Barbara Urbach.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A Corporate Standing: N/A

Violations History: None since

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Witnesses: Barbara Urbach – Licensee, Jonathan Herbst – Attorney

Disposition: The Board has approved the request of a 180 hardship extension to the licensee(s)

by a 3-0 vote.

Violations Docket - Violation of Rule 4.08(a) and

1:00 PM

Article 2B § 13-101(e)(4)(ii)

Touch Down, LLC, t/a Touch Down

License # LBD7 419

1171-73 W. Hamburg Street, Baltimore MD 21230 10th Councilmanic District (Reisigner)

Attorney for Applicant: Melvin Kodenski

Alleged violation of Rule 4.08(a) (Relations with Wholesalers) when at approximately 6:30 p.m. on May 4, 2016 members of the Maryland State Comptroller's Office and BLLC conducted a joint investigation into the establishment finding 59 bottles of various types of liquor and beer that lacked proper distributor purchasing invoices. The owner could also not produce invoices of the 59 bottles of various types of liquor and beer and had the bottles confiscated.

Alleged violation of Article 2B § 13-101(e)(4)(ii) (Failure to present Up-to-Date Valid Certificate) when at approximately 6:30 p.m. on May 4, 2016 members of the of the Maryland State Comptroller's office and BLLC conducted a joint investigation where the owner could not provide a copy of an updated Alcohol Awareness Certificate.

Corporate Standing: Touch Down, LLC is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of June 14, 2016.

Violations History: None.

Witnesses: Kevin Young – Licensee, Andre Cotton – Manager, Melvin Kodenski – Attorney,

Agent Mike Calvert - Comptroller's Office, Mark Fosler - BLLC Chief Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.08(a) and Article 2B § 13-101(e)(4)(ii) on May 4, 2016 and imposed a fine of \$500 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.05(a)

1:00 PM

El Estanko, LLC, t/a El Estanko

License # LB 046

45 N. Kresson Street, Baltimore MD 21224

2nd Councilmanic District (Scott)

Attorney for Applicant: N/A

Alleged violation of Rule 4.05(a) (Prohibited Hours) when at approximately 1:15 a.m. on April 16, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department and BLLC conducted a special investigation concerning allegations that the establishment was open after operating hours when the officials observed patrons enter the establishment at approximately 1:15 a.m. counting 27 patrons in the establishment with 23 consuming alcoholic beverages when they gained entry.

Corporate Standing: El Estanko, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of June 26, 2016.

Violations History: January 8, 2015 – Violation of 4.05(a) (Prohibited Hours) and Rule 4.18 (Illegal Conduct) – Fined \$625 and suspended 3 days

Witnesses: N/A

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

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.07(e)

1:00 PM

Park-Read, Inc., t/a Drinkery

License # LBD7 416

203-09 W. Read Street, Baltimore MD 21201

11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Applicant: Melvin Kodenski

Alleged violation of Rule 4.07(e) (Open Containers and Illegal Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages) when at approximately 1:40 a.m. on April 30, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department and BLLC conducted an investigation into the establishment due to complains when a patron exited the establishment with a plastic cup containing alcohol.

Corporate Standing: Park-Read, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of June 26, 2016.

Violations History: May 19, 2016 – License was revoked for protest of renewal, Board reversed position to renew license on June 2, 2016

Witnesses: Amy Miller – Granddaughter of Licensee, Larry Evener – Night Manager, Melvin Kodenski – Attorney, Det. Gatto – BCPD, John Chrissomallis – BLLC Inspector **Disposition:** Motion to dismiss was denied. The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.07(e) on April 30, 2016 and imposed a fine of \$250 and an administrative fee of \$125, both

payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.12

1:00 PM

La Rumba, LLC, t/a La Rumba

1650-54 E. Pratt Street, Baltimore MD 21231

License # LBD7 444

12th Councilmanic District (Stokes)

Attorney for Applicant:

Alleged violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately between 6:25-6:45 p.m. on May 22, 2016 members of the BLLC responded to the establishment due to 311 complaints of loud music when an inspector observed the front doors open and you could hear the music across and down the street.

Corporate Standing: La Rumba, LLC is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of June 26, 2016.

Violations History: March 10, 2016 – Violation of Rule 3.09(b), Rule 3.02, Rule 3.12 and Rule 4.16 – Fined \$2,125 and suspended 60 days.

September 24, 2015 – Violation of Rule 3.05, Rule 3.06, Rule 3.07 and Rule 4.18 – Fined \$750

September 19, 2013 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) – Fined \$625

Witnesses: Nick Ramos – Husband of Licensee, Mark Fosler – BLLC Chief Inspector, John Chrissomallis – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 3.12 on May 22, 2016 and imposed a fine of \$500 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days. The Board also voted to suspend the license for 5 days, commencing immediately.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.07(e)

1:00 PM

1269 Washington, Inc., t/a Chris Liquor & Grill

License # LBD7 111

1269 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore MD 21230 10th Councilmanic District (Reisinger)

Attorney for Applicant: Melvin Kodenski

Alleged violation of Rule 4.07(e) (Open Containers and Illegal Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages) when at approximately 11:00 p.m. on April 15, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department and BLLC conducted a special investigation at the establishment when they observed a patron exit with an open can of beer and continue walking down the street.

Corporate Standing: 1269 Washington, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of June 26, 2016.

Violations History: September 25, 2014 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) – Fined \$625

Witnesses: Rajwant Kaur – Licensee, Jashanpreet Kaur – Daughter of Licensee, Melvin

Kodenski – Attorney, Det. Gatto – BCPD, Mark Fosler – BLLC Chief Inspector, John

Chrissomallis – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.07(e) on April 15, 2016 and imposed no fine or administrative fee.