

BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

HEARING DISPOSITIONS

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2020
WEBEX VIRTUAL HEARING
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND**

**Albert Matricciani, Jr., Chairperson
Aaron Greenfield, Commissioner
Robert E. Guye, Commissioner**

Violations Docket – Alc. Bev. Art. 12-905(d)(3), and Rule 4.05(b) 11:00 AM

Myongnam, Inc., t/a M & M Lounge License # LBD7 398
2500 E. Biddle Street, Baltimore MD 21213 13th Councilmanic District (Sneed)

Attorney for Applicant: Peter Prevas

Alleged violation of Alc. Bev. Art. 12-905(d)(3) when at approximately 8:17 a.m. on July 29, 2020 members of the BLLC visited the location to conduct a business check to determine if the establishment was in compliance with the limited hours of operation proscribed by HB954 that went into effect July 1, 2020 (9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.). Upon arrival, the BLLC staff observed that the location was open and operating before 9:00 a.m.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.05(b) (Prohibited Hours) when at approximately 8:17 a.m. on July 29, 2020 members of the BLLC visited the location to conduct a business check to determine if the establishment was in compliance with the limited hours of operation proscribed by HB954 that went into effect July 1, 2020 (9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.). Upon arrival, the BLLC staff observed that the location was open and operating before 9:00 a.m.

Corporate Standing: Myongnam, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of August 11, 2020.

Location Violation History: August 4, 2020 – Violation of Alc. Bev. Art. 12-2005(c)(3) (Dismissed), Alc. Bev. Art. 12-905(d)(3) & Rule 4.05(b) (Prohibited Hours) – Fined \$775

Witnesses: N/A

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

Violations Docket – Alc. Bev. Art. 12-905(d)(3), and Rule 4.05(b) 11:00 AM

AZ Plus, Inc., t/a Cocky Lou's License # LBD7 022
2101-03 E. North Avenue, Baltimore MD 21213 12th Councilmanic District (Stokes)

Attorney for Applicant: Peter Prevas

Alleged violation of Alc. Bev. Art. 12-905(d)(3) when at approximately 8:14 a.m. on July 29, 2020 members of the BLLC visited the location to conduct a business check to determine if the establishment was in compliance with the limited hours of operation proscribed by

HB954 that went into effect July 1, 2020 (9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.). Upon arrival, the BLLC staff observed that the location was open and operating before 9:00 a.m.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.05(b) (Prohibited Hours) when at approximately 8:14 a.m. on July 29, 2020 members of the BLLC visited the location to conduct a business check to determine if the establishment was in compliance with the limited hours of operation proscribed by HB954 that went into effect July 1, 2020 (9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.). Upon arrival, the BLLC staff observed that the location was open and operating before 9:00 a.m. Corporate Standing: AZ Plus, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of August 11, 2020.

Location Violation History: None since 2014.

Witnesses: N/A

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

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.16 and Rule 3.12

11:00 AM

Sole Proprietorship, t/a Smiley’s Tavern
1535-27 Ramsay Street, Baltimore MD 21223

License # LBD7 112
9th Councilmanic District (Bullock)

Attorney for Applicant: N/A

Alleged violation of Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct) when at approximately 5:11 p.m. on May 13, 2020 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 request that alleged that individuals were allowed entry to the establishment and provided with alcoholic beverages to be consumed on the premises in violation of Governor’s Executive Order issued on May 13, 2020, which amended the Governor’s earlier Executive Order issued on May 6, 2020. Upon arrival at approximately 6:15 p.m., the inspector observed seven patrons at the bar, along with open beer bottles in front of the patrons, money on the bar, and empty bottles in the trash can. The Executive Order prohibits patrons to consume alcoholic beverages on-premises.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately 5:11 p.m. on May 13, 2020 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 request that alleged that individuals were allowed entry to the establishment and provided with alcoholic beverages to be consumed on the premises in violation of Governor’s Executive Order issued on May 13, 2020, which amended the Governor’s earlier Executive Order issued on May 6, 2020. Upon arrival at approximately 6:15 p.m., the inspector observed seven patrons at the bar, along with open beer bottles in front of the patrons, money on the bar, and empty bottles in the trash can. The Executive Order prohibits patrons to consume alcoholic beverages on-premises.

Corporate Standing: N/A

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: Stephan Saffran – Licensee, Kenyatta Washington – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.16 and Rule 3.12 on May 13, 2020 and imposed a fine of \$200 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.16 and Rule 3.12

11:00 AM

LP Grand Central, LLC, t/a No Trade Name (Grand Central)

1001-03 N. Charles Street, Baltimore MD 21201

License # LBD7 213

12th Councilmanic District (Stokes)

Attorney for Applicant: Stephan Fogleman

Alleged violation of Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct) when at approximately 10:50 p.m. on July 30, 2020 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 request that alleged that “a show was about to start” within the establishment and that individuals were “indoors without a mask or social distancing” which is in violation of the Mayor’s Executive order issued on July 22, 2020, which received its authorization from the Governor’s Executive Order issued on June 10, 2020. Specifically, the Mayor’s Executive Order issued on July 22, 2020 prohibited indoor on-premise consumption of food and/or beverages and only allowed outdoor consumption of food and beverages to patrons seated at tables. Upon arrival, the inspectors observed approximately 30 patrons within the outdoor seating area, however a number of patrons were standing and consuming alcoholic beverages in the pedestrian walkways and streets. When the inspectors entered the establishment, they observed approximately 15 patrons in the establishment, some were observed consuming alcoholic beverages.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately 10:50 p.m. on July 30, 2020 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 request that alleged that “a show was about to start” within the establishment and that individuals were “indoors without a mask or social distancing” which is in violation of the Mayor’s Executive order issued on July 22, 2020, which received its authorization from the Governor’s Executive Order issued on June 10, 2020. Specifically, the Mayor’s Executive Order issued on July 22, 2020 prohibited indoor on-premise consumption of food and/or beverages and only allowed outdoor consumption of food and beverages to patrons seated at tables. Upon arrival, the inspectors observed approximately 30 patrons within the outdoor seating area, however a number of patrons were standing and consuming alcoholic beverages in the pedestrian walkways and streets. When the inspectors entered the establishment, they observed approximately 15 patrons in the establishment, some were observed consuming alcoholic beverages.

Corporate Standing: LP Grand Central, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of August 11, 2020.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: George Watson – Licensee, John Pannoni – Licensee, Andy Perez – BLLC Agent Inspector, Terri Chase – BLLC Agent Inspector, Kenyatta Washington – BLLC Inspector, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.16 and Rule 3.12 on July 30, 2020 and imposed a fine of \$200 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.16 and Rule 3.12

11:00 AM

M.R. Green, Inc., t/a Margaret’s Place
349-51 S. Calhoun Street, Baltimore MD 21223

License # WD 001
9th Councilmanic District (Bullock)

Attorney for Applicant: N/A

Alleged violation of Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct) when at approximately 5:15 p.m. on May 13, 2020 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 request that alleged that individuals were allowed entry to the establishment and provided with alcoholic beverages to be consumed on the premises in violation of Governor’s Executive Order issued on May 13, 2020, which amended the Governor’s earlier Executive Order issued on May 6, 2020. Upon arrival at approximately 6:00 p.m., the inspector observed found the exterior door to be locked, but when they knocked on the door, they were provided entry. After the inspector entered, they observed 5 individuals seated at the bar with open bottles of beer in front of them, along with an individual seated at the poker machine with an open bottle of beer. The Executive Order prohibits patrons to consume alcoholic beverages on-premises.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately 5:15 p.m. on May 13, 2020 members of the BLLC responded to a 311 request that alleged that individuals were allowed entry to the establishment and provided with alcoholic beverages to be consumed on the premises in violation of Governor’s Executive Order issued on May 13, 2020, which amended the Governor’s earlier Executive Order issued on May 6, 2020. Upon arrival at approximately 6:00 p.m., the inspector observed found the exterior door to be locked, but when they knocked on the door, they were provided entry. After the inspector entered, they observed 5 individuals seated at the bar with open bottles of beer in front of them, along with an individual seated at the poker machine with an open bottle of beer. The Executive Order prohibits patrons to consume alcoholic beverages on-premises.

Corporate Standing: M.R. Green, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of August 11, 2020.

Location Violation History: None since 2013.

Witnesses: Licensee – Failure to Appear (connection issues), Kenyatta Washington – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.16 and Rule 3.12 on May 13, 2020 and imposed a fine of \$300 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.