

**BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR BALTIMORE CITY**  
**DOCKET – THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2024 – 10:30 a.m.**  
**ROOM 215 – CITY HALL – 100 NORTH HOLLIDAY STREET**

**Please note:** If you are interested in a particular case, please call (410) 396-4380 the day before these hearings to verify that a particular case is still scheduled for this date.

**10:30 a.m.**

**I. Violations:**

- 1. Jahanne Dumas Bagwell and Praneet Sahni, Manjit, Inc. Three, T/a The Liquor Store – Socialize, 6130 Belair Road – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) – Prohibited Activities by License Type (Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) – February 15, 2024** – On February 15, 2024, Inspector Tudhope, and BLLC Inspector Washington along with and Sergeant Hawley and Sergeant Monk, members of Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office (BCSO) Special Operations Division, conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the City of Baltimore. The goal of these investigations was to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. At approximately 5:15 pm, Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk entered the establishment in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern area for on premises consumption. When they 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 Jack Daniel's Black for \$9.80 from the package goods area. Following the purchase, Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk exited the establishment. BCSO Sergeant Hawley and BLLC Inspector Tudhope subsequently entered the establishment and made contact with the cashier who stated that the manager, Mr. Ifrahim Ghauri, had just left. He called Mr. Ghauri to request that he return. BCSO and BLLC spoke with Mr. Ghauri and informed him that his staff refused entry into the tavern area to a BLLC inspector and BCSO Sergeant. Staff 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 is required. Mr. Ghauri was asked for employee records to help identify staff working at the time, but he was unable to provide any records. He was also unable to provide inspectors with a 2023 Traders license for inspection. The alcoholic beverage and change were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

**Violation of Rule 3.03(c) – Records (Employee Records) – February 15, 2024** – On February 15, 2024, Inspector Tudhope, and BLLC Inspector Washington along with and Sergeant Hawley and Sergeant Monk, members of Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office (BCSO) Special Operations Division, conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the City of Baltimore. The goal of these investigations was to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. At approximately 5:15 pm, Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk entered the establishment in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern area for on premises consumption. When they 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 Jack Daniel's Black for \$9.80 from the package goods area. Following the purchase, Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk exited the establishment. BCSO Sergeant Hawley and BLLC Inspector Tudhope subsequently entered the establishment and made contact

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**Violation of Rule 3.03(d)(ii) – Records (Trader’s License) – February 15, 2024** – On February 15, 2024, Inspector Tudhope, and BLLC Inspector Washington along with and Sergeant Hawley and Sergeant Monk, members of Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office (BCSO) Special Operations Division, conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the City of Baltimore. The goal of these investigations was to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. At approximately 5:15 pm, Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk entered the establishment in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern area for on premises consumption. When they 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 Jack Daniel's Black for \$9.80 from the package goods area. Following the purchase, Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk exited the establishment. BCSO Sergeant Hawley and BLLC Inspector Tudhope subsequently entered the establishment and made contact with the cashier who stated that the manager, Mr. Ifrahim Ghauri, had just left. He called Mr. Ghauri to request that he return. BCSO and BLLC spoke with Mr. Ghauri and informed him that his staff refused entry into the tavern area to a BLLC inspector and BCSO Sergeant. Staff 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 is required. Mr. Ghauri was asked for employee records to help identify staff working at the time, but he was unable to provide any records. He was also unable to provide inspectors with a 2023 Traders license for inspection. The alcoholic beverage and change were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

**Violation of Rule 3.09(b) – Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations (Compliance with State and City Health Department laws, rules and regulations) – February 15, 2024** – On February 15, 2024, Inspector Tudhope, and BLLC Inspector Washington along with and Sergeant Hawley and Sergeant Monk, members of Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office (BCSO) Special Operations Division, conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the City of Baltimore. The goal of these investigations was to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. At approximately 5:15 pm, Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk entered the establishment in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern area for on premises consumption. When they 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 Jack Daniel's Black for \$9.80 from the package goods area. Following the purchase, Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk exited the establishment. BCSO Sergeant Hawley and BLLC Inspector Tudhope subsequently entered the establishment and made contact with the cashier who stated that the manager, Mr. Ifrahim Ghauri, had just left. He called Mr. Ghauri to request that he return. BCSO and BLLC spoke with Mr. Ghauri and informed him that his

staff refused entry into the tavern area to a BLLC inspector and BCSO Sergeant. Staff 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 is required. Mr. Ghauri was asked for employee records to help identify staff working at the time, but he was unable to provide any records. He was also unable to provide inspectors with a 2023 Traders license for inspection. The alcoholic beverage and change were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

2. **Juan Antonio Ortiz, La Roca, LLC, T/a La Roca, 3210-14 Pulaski Highway – Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) – Prohibited Activities by License Type (Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) – February 15, 2024** – On February 15, 2024, Inspector Tudhope, and BLLC Inspector Washington along with and Sergeant Hawley and Sergeant Monk, members of Baltimore City Sheriff's Office (BCSO) Special Operations Division, conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the City of Baltimore. The goal of these investigations was to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. At approximately 6:45 pm, Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk entered the establishment in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern area for on premises consumption. When they 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 for \$11.00 from the package goods area. Following the purchase, Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk exited the establishment. BCSO Sergeant Hawley and BLLC Inspector Tudhope subsequently entered the establishment and made contact with the cashier Mr. Tony Diaz. Mr. Diaz called owner and manager, Mr. James Ortiz, and asked him to come to the establishment. BCSO and BLLC spoke with Mr. Ortiz and informed him that his staff refused entry into the tavern area to a BLLC inspector and BCSO Sergeant. Mr. Ortiz was asked for employee records to help identify the staff working at that time. Mr. Ortiz was unable to provide any employment records at that time. The alcoholic beverage and change were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.

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3. **Andrew Anderson and Anju Silwal Poudel, Rudra, LLC, T/a Orleans Liquors, 401 N. Montford Avenue** – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) – Prohibited Activities by License Type (Open and Operating Tavern at all Times)** – February 15, 2024 – On February 15, 2024, Inspector Tudhope, and BLLC Inspector Washington along with and Sergeant Hawley and Sergeant Monk, members of Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office (BCSO) Special Operations Division, conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the City of Baltimore. The goal of these investigations was to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. At approximately 7:18 pm, Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk entered the establishment in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern area for on premises consumption. Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk asked to use the tavern and were told it was closed and refused entry inside. They then proceeded to purchase a 200ml bottle of Hennessy for \$17.50 from the package goods area. Following the purchase, Inspector Washington and Sergeant Monk exited the establishment. BCSO Sergeant Hawley and BLLC Inspector Tudhope subsequently entered the establishment and made contact with manager Mr. Hari B Adhikari Chhetri. They informed him of the violation for refusing entry into the tavern area to the undercover BLLC Inspector and Sergeant Monk from the BCSO. The alcoholic beverage and change were returned to the establishment and the departmental \$20 bill was recovered.
4. **Jim Pei, United Penn Operating, LLC, T/a Wonderland Liquors, 2043-45 Pennsylvania Avenue** – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) – Prohibited Activities by License Type (Open and Operating Tavern at all Times)** – February 15, 2024 – On February 15, 2024, Agent Perez, along with, BLLC Agent Clark and Deputy Spencer and Deputy Monroe, members of Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office (BCSO) Special Operations Division, conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the City of Baltimore. The goal of these investigations was to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. At approximately 6:45 pm, Agent Perez and Deputy Spencer entered the establishment in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern area for on premises consumption. Deputy Monroe asked the store clerk, later identified as Pamisha Swain, if the bar was open. Miss Swain stated that the bar was closed thereby denying access to use the bar for onsite consumption. Deputy Monroe then proceeded to purchase a Bottle of E&J Brandy for \$5.86 from the packaged goods area utilizing a marked \$20 bill. Following the purchase, agent Perez and Deputy Spencer exited the establishment. BCSO Deputy Monroe and BLLC Agent Clark subsequently entered the establishment and made contact with Miss Pamisha Swain and informed her of the violation for refusing entry into the tavern area to the undercover BLLC Agent and Deputy Sherriff from the BCSO. Deputy Monroe and BLLC Agent Clark returned the alcoholic beverage purchased and change to Ms. Swain. The marked \$20 bill was recovered by the agents.
5. **Wesley W. Ivey and Western W. Ivey, Ivey Corporation, T/a Royal Casino, 1515-19 Pennsylvania Avenue** – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) – Prohibited Activities by License Type (Open and Operating Tavern at all Times)** – February 15, 2024 – On February 15, 2024, Agent Perez, along with, BLLC Agent Clark and Deputy Spencer and Deputy Monroe, members of Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office (BCSO) Special Operations Division, conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the City of Baltimore. The goal of these investigations was to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. At approximately 7:00 pm, Agent Perez and Deputy

Spencer entered the establishment in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern area for on premises consumption. Deputy Spencer 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, later identified as Kim Charles Washington, instructed him to close the gate and that they could only be served in the packaged goods store. He indicated that if they were looking for a place to sit down, they should go next door. Washington was referring to The Capital Lounge which is also a BD7 liquor license. Deputy Spencer then proceeded to purchase a bottle of Jack Daniel's whiskey for \$14.75 from the packaged goods area utilizing a marked \$20 bill. Following the purchase, Agent Perez and Deputy Spencer exited the establishment. BCSO Deputy Monroe and BLLC Agent Clark subsequently entered the establishment and made contact with Mr. Kim Charles Washington. They informed him of the violation for refusing entry into the tavern area to the undercover BLLC Agent and Deputy Sherriff from the BCSO. Deputy Monroe and BLLC Agent Clark returned the alcoholic beverage purchased and change to Mr. Washington. The marked \$20 bill was recovered by the agents.

6. **Rupak Karki and Robert Rompori, Eva Group, LLC, T/a Pratt Liquors & Bar, 1812 W. Pratt Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) – Prohibited Activities by License Type (Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) – February 15, 2024 –** On February 15, 2024, Agent Perez, along with, BLLC Agent Clark and Deputy Spencer and Deputy Monroe, members of Baltimore City Sheriff's Office (BCSO) Special Operations Division, conducted BD7 operations investigations throughout the City of Baltimore. The goal of these investigations was to determine if BD7 establishments were operating their taverns in conjunction with their packaged goods store. At approximately 6:10 pm, Agent Perez and Deputy Spencer entered the establishment in an undercover capacity to see if they would be granted access to the tavern area for on premises consumption. Agent Perez and Deputy Spencer 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. He informed Agent Perez and Deputy Spencer that the bar was closed. The store clerk working the packaged goods windows, later identified as Rabin Baniya, also told them that the bar was closed thereby denying access to use the tavern for on premise consumption. Deputy Spencer then proceeded to purchase a Bottle of Crown Royal Apple Whiskey for \$12.00 from the packaged goods area utilizing a marked \$20 bill. Following the purchase, they exited the establishment. BCSO Deputy Monroe and BLLC Agent Clark subsequently entered the establishment and made contact with Mr. Rabin Baniya. They informed him of the violation for refusing entry into the tavern area to the undercover BLLC Agent and Deputy Sherriff from the BCSO. The purchased alcoholic beverage and change were returned to the establishment and the agents recovered the marked \$20 bill.
7. ~~Jeum Rye Choe and Diana L. Diaz, JRC23, Inc., T/a OK Tavern, 2301 E. Biddle Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) – Prohibited Activities by License Type (Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) – March 1, 2024 –~~ On March 1, 2024, at approx. 12:15pm Inspectors Washington and Nazir arrived at Ok Tavern to perform a routine inspection. Upon entering the property, it was found that the tavern part of the establishment was not operational at all. No liquor was out or on display to be used in preparation of alcoholic beverages for onsite 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 is required. The restroom was used for storage and was not operational. Violation was issued

and Mr. Park was instructed to have the tavern portion of the establishment fully operational in 30 days.

~~**Violation of Rule 3.09(a) – Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations (Non-Functioning Restroom) – March 1, 2024**~~ – On March 1, 2024, at approx. 12:15pm Inspectors Washington and Nazir arrived at Ok Tavern to perform a routine inspection. Upon entering the property, it was found that the tavern part of the establishment was not operational at all. No liquor was out or on display to be used in preparation of alcoholic beverages for onsite 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 is required. The restroom was used for storage and was not operational. Violation was issued and Mr. Park was instructed to have the tavern portion of the establishment fully operational in 30 days.

~~**Violation of Rule 3.09(b) – Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations (Compliance with State and City Health Department laws, rules and regulations) – March 1, 2024**~~ – On March 1, 2024, at approx. 12:15pm Inspectors Washington and Nazir arrived at Ok Tavern to perform a routine inspection. Upon entering the property, it was found that the tavern part of the establishment was not operational at all. No liquor was out or on display to be used in preparation of alcoholic beverages for onsite 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 is required. The restroom was used for storage and was not operational. Violation was issued and Mr. Park was instructed to have the tavern portion of the establishment fully operational in 30 days. **POSTPONED**

- 8. Matthew Akman, Baja Tap Baltimore, LLC, T/a Baja Tap, 901 S. Bond Street – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.07(a) – Open Containers – January 27, 2024** – On January 27, 2024, Agent Perez along with Inspectors Brown and Tudhope responded to 311 complaint # 24-00091916 for loud music, doors open, disturbing the peace. The Inspectors arrived at the establishment at approximately 1:30 am and found the complaint to be valid. Loud music could be heard emanating from the establishment from approximately a half a block away. Upon further inspection, Agent Perez noted that the front doors were open while a disc jockey was playing music. After making these observations, they spoke with Mr. Kyle Henry and made him aware of the complaint. Mr. Henry was instructed to lower the volume of the music and to close the doors. He was also told that this would be the final warning issued for the same infraction as he had received a similar warning on December 16, 2023. Mr. Henry immediately complied with the request and stated that the establishment would be closing shortly. Agent Perez and Inspectors Brown and Tudhope remained outside of the establishment for several moments making observations of their closing process. From the outside, they observed the security bouncer chatting with another bar staff member while several bar customers walked outside with alcoholic beverages on their hands. We observed approximately 8-10 patrons leave with open mixed drinks/cans from the establishment. After making these observations, Agent Perez again spoke with Mr. Henry and informed him of the violations observed and that a report would be written. At approximately 1:55 am they departed the location without any further issues.

**Violation of Rule 3.12 – General Welfare – February 24, 2024** – On February 24, 2024, Inspectors Brown and Tudhope responded to 311 complaint # 24-00172232 for loud music, doors open, disturbing the peace. The Inspectors arrived at the establishment at approximately 12:15 am

and found the complaint to be valid. Loud music could be heard emanating from the establishment from approximately a half a block away. Upon further inspection, Inspector Brown noted that the side window was open while a disc jockey was playing music. After making these observations, they spoke with Mr. Kyle Henry and made him aware of the complaint. Mr. Henry was instructed to lower the volume of the music and to close the window. The decision was made to issue a violation since the establishment had received warnings for similar infractions on January 27, 2024, and Mr. Henry was informed as such. At approximately 12:30 am, Chief Inspector Chrissomallis arrived and spoke to the manager. At approximately 12:45 am, the Inspectors departed the location without any further issues.

9. **Krist Serchan and Shova Serchan, Muna, LLC, T/a Busy Bee, 4500-04 Erdman Avenue – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) – Prohibited Activities by License Type (Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) – January 8, 2024** – On January 8, 2024, Inspector Brown went to the location to investigate 311 complaint # 24-00030998 alleging that the tavern area is not always open for on-site consumption when the package good area is open to customers. Upon arrival, the Inspector attempted to access the tavern portion of the establishment, but it was locked. The licensee, identified as Krist Serchan by MD driver's license, went around and unlocked the door. When the Inspector entered the tavern, the lights were off and a large amount of inventory was stored throughout the tavern area. The 3-compartment sink was filled with cold water and solution. Hot water was not in the sink as is required. The manager was advised that his tavern area needs to be open when the package goods area is open. Mr. Serchan advised it opens sometimes when he has staff available. Inspector Brown advised licensee that he would be receiving a violation for not operating the tavern when the package goods area is open. She also noted that he had been given warnings in November 2023 and December 2023 for the same infraction. Inspector Brown wrote the violation and tried to leave the location, but the licensee followed her to her car trying to explain and promised that he will keep the tavern area open from now on. After several minutes she left without incident.

**Violation of Rule 4.17(b) – Storage – January 8, 2024** – On January 8, 2024, Inspector Brown went to the location to investigate 311 complaint # 24-00030998 alleging that the tavern area is not always open for on-site consumption when the package good area is open to customers. Upon arrival, the Inspector attempted to access the tavern portion of the establishment, but it was locked. The licensee, identified as Krist Serchan by MD driver's license, went around and unlocked the door. When the Inspector entered the tavern, the lights were off and a large amount of inventory was stored throughout the tavern area. The 3-compartment sink was filled with cold water and solution. Hot water was not in the sink as is required. The manager was advised that his tavern area needs to be open when the package goods area is open. Mr. Serchan advised it opens sometimes when he has staff available. Inspector Brown advised licensee that he would be receiving a violation for not operating the tavern when the package goods area is open. She also noted that he had been given warnings in November 2023 and December 2023 for the same infraction. Inspector Brown wrote the violation and tried to leave the location, but the licensee followed her to her car trying to explain and promised that he will keep the tavern area open from now on. After several minutes she left without incident.

**Violation of Rule 3.09(b) – Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations (Compliance with State and City Health Department laws, rules and regulations) – January 8, 2024** – On January 8, 2024, Inspector Brown went to the location to investigate 311 complaint # 24-00030998

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**Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) – Prohibited Activities by License Type (Open and Operating Tavern at all Times) – February 25, 2024** – On February 25, 2024, Inspector Brown 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 area were off leaving the area dark, liquor was being stored throughout the tavern area and the 3-compartment sink was filled with cold water. Hot water and disinfectant solution were not in the sink as is required. The licensee, identified as Krist Serchan by MD driver's license, was advised that the tavern must be open when the package goods area is operating. Mr. Serchan argued with Inspector Brown stating the tavern was open and that he was serving as the bartender. He was told that the area does not 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. Licensee was advised that a violation would be written, and the Inspector left without incident.

**Violation of Rule 4.17(b) – Storage – February 25, 2024** – On February 25, 2024, Inspector Brown 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 area were off leaving the area dark, liquor was being stored throughout the tavern area and the 3-compartment sink was filled with cold water. Hot water and disinfectant solution were not in the sink as is required. The licensee, identified as Krist Serchan by MD driver's license, was advised that the tavern must be open when the package goods area is operating. Mr. Serchan argued with Inspector Brown stating the tavern was open and that he was serving as the bartender. He was told that the area does not 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. Licensee was advised that a violation would be written, and the Inspector left without incident.

**Violation of Rule 3.09(b) – Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations (Compliance with State and City Health Department laws, rules and regulations) – February 25, 2024** – On

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~~10. Rachhpal Singh Grewal, 5401 Belair, Inc., T/a Garden Liquor, 5401 Belair Road – Class “A” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – 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) – December 31, 2023 – On December 31, 2023, Agent Perez investigated a complaint alleging that this establishment was operating outside of the scope of their special license that allows for the business to sell alcohol on Sundays from 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm between Thanksgiving Day and New Years Day if the license holder has paid a supplementary fee. Agent Perez arrived at the establishment at approximately 10:58 pm. At that time, he observed several store patrons exiting the establishment with alcoholic beverages they had just purchased. Upon entering the establishment, he observed approximately 4 patrons inside. One of the patrons was in the process of purchasing alcohol. The operator, Mr. Gurbinder Singh, was instructed to stop all sales immediately and informed that he was operating well beyond the mandated closing time of their special Sunday License. Mr. Singh was issued a violation, and the Agent left the establishment without any further issues. POSTPONED~~

## II. Regular Items (New, Transfers, and Expansions):

- ~~1. Darin Mislán, Thames Street Venture, LLC, T/a Trade Name Pending, 1704 Thames Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Application to transfer ownership and location from a secured creditor of a Class “BD7” BWL license presently located at 2501-03 Fleet Street to 1704 Thames Street requesting live entertainment and outdoor table service. POSTPONED~~
2. Bonnie Scarpinato, Neighbors, LLC, T/a Neighbors, 1901 Gough Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Application to transfer ownership from a secured creditor with continuation of outdoor table service.