

**MINUTES
LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2015**

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE Revere License Commission was called to order by Chairman Joseph W. Quarantello, Jr. at 3:00 p.m. on August 19, 2015. Commissioner Linda Guinasso, Police Lt. Sean Randall, Liaison with the Revere License Commission, and Maggie Haney, Recording Secretary, present. Commissioner John M. LaCroix, absent.

Vote to accept Minutes: Vote to accept the Minutes of 7/15/15 and 8/4/15.

Upon a motion duly made by Chairman Quarantello, and seconded by Commissioner Guinasso, it was VOTED to accept the minutes.

Due to the absence of Commissioner LaCroix, it was announced that if the two present Commissioners disagree on any issue, it shall be continued until the next meeting, when all Commissioners would be present.

HEARING

Edward Rizzo
d/b/a **R & R Shirley Realty Trust**
194 Shirley Avenue
Edward Rizzo, Manager

Review Hearing: Review hearing to follow up on earlier fire and building violations.

Edward Rizzo appeared for the hearing. All violations have been cleared, and the Commission closed the matter.

VOTED ON THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION

Suffolk Diner, LLC
d/b/a **Airport Diner at Suffolk Downs**
10 Furlong Drive
Diana Sepulveda, Manager

Application for Change of DBA and Change of Manager: Application of Suffolk Diner, LLC d/b/a **Airport Diner at Suffolk Downs**, 10 Furlong Drive, Diana Sepulveda, Manager, for a change of DBA from Frank's Suffolk Diner, and a change of manager.

Laurence Meads appeared for the application. He is the owner of the diner. The operation will not be changing, but the manager is, and she was not present. The Commissioners requested that the matter be tabled until the manager could be made available to them. This matter was later taken out of order.

St. Mary of the Assumption Church
670 Washington Avenue
Ettore DeFrancesco, Contact

Application for a Special One-Day License for Malt/Wine, Common Victualler and Entertainment: Application of St. Mary of the Assumption Church for a special one-day license for malt/wine, common victualler and entertainment, to be exercised at St. Mary's Hall, 670 Washington Avenue from 5 p.m. until 11 p.m. on September 12, 2015, for St. Lucy's Feast Dinner.

Ettore DeFrancesco appeared for the application. This is a regular event for St. Lucy's feast.

There were neither opponents nor proponents when called. Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Guinasso, and seconded by Chairman Quarantello, it was VOTED to approve the application.

Café Costa del Sol, Inc.
d/b/a **Café Costa del Sol**
366 Broadway
Salomon Ramos, Manager

Application for a Change of Corporate Name: Application of Café Costa del Sol, Inc. d/b/a Café Costa del Sol, 366 Broadway, Revere, Salomon Ramos, Manager, for a change of corporate name from Salomon Ramos Corp. Said change is requested to correct a clerical error from the original license filing.

Attorney Jillian Bargar represented the applicant, along with Attorney Cory Rhoades. Salomon Ramos was also present for the application. The original license application was approved with an incorrect corporate name, and the license holder is attempting to correct that oversight.

There were neither opponents nor proponents when called. Upon a motion duly made by Chairman Quarantello, and seconded by Commissioner Guinasso, it was VOTED to approve the application.

Shuban, Inc.
d/b/a **Parkway Convenience**
190A Revere Beach Parkway
Meena Patel, Manager
Mitaben Patel, President

Application for Transfer & Pledge of an All Alcohol Package Store License: Application of Shuban, Inc. d/b/a Parkway Convenience, 190A Revere Beach Parkway, Revere, Meena Patel, Manager, Mitaben Patel, President, for transfer of an All Alcohol Package Store license, to be exercised at the same location. Hours of operation are Sun 10 a.m. – 11 p.m., Mon – Sat 8 a.m. – 11 p.m.

Attorney Joe Devlin represented the applicant. Mitaben Patel and Meena Patel were also present for the application. Mitaben Patel is already TIPS certified; Meena Patel, the proposed manager, plans to become so upon local licensing approval. Their family has other non-alcoholic licenses within the city: a convenience store on Broadway, and one on Revere Street. Meena Patel intends to spend 35-40 hours a week on site, primarily during the day.

Commissioner Guinasso expressed concerns about the cleanliness of the convenience store on Revere Street, and indicated that she would expect this establishment to be maintained in the same meticulous fashion as it has always been by the previous owners.

There were neither opponents nor proponents when called. Upon a motion duly made by Chairman Quarantello, and seconded by Commissioner Guinasso, it was VOTED to approve the application, with the condition that the property be kept clean and neat.

Checkers Trans Group Boston, Inc.
d/b/a **Boston Hookah Lounge**
163 Squire Road
Samira Ahmed, Owner and Manager

Application for New Common Victualler and Entertainment Licenses: Application of Checkers Trans Group Boston, Inc. d/b/a Boston Hookah Lounge, 163 Squire Road, Revere, MA, Samira Ahmed, Owner and Manager, for a Common Victualler and an Entertainment license, to be exercised at the same location. Requested hours of operation are Sun – Sat 12 p.m. – 3 a.m., serving coffee, tea and hot drinks for consumption on the premises, with seating for 30. Requested entertainment is cable TV, playing news and talk shows.

Attorney Richard Villiotte represented the applicant. Samira Ahmed was also present. The applicant intends to open a hookah smoking lounge, and would like to serve coffee, tea, pre-packaged pastries, etc. and have television available.

The Commission had concerns regarding the city's workplace smoking ordinance, and its impact on the license application. The applicant's attorney contended that the ordinance would be superseded by state law in this case, and that state law allows for a "smoking bar" exemption. After much discussion, it was decided to continue this matter until the next meeting, when all Commissioners would be available, and the Commission can obtain clarification from the appropriate authorities regarding the question of whether food service can take place in a smoking lounge.

RHouse2, LLC
675 Beach Street
Jeffrey Moll, LLC Manager

Application for Transfer of a Lodging House License: Application of RHouse2, LLC, 50 Salem Street, Building A, Lynnfield, MA, Jeffrey Moll, LLC Manager, for transfer of a Lodging House license to be exercised at 675 Beach Street. Requested number of rooms is 25.

Attorney Louis Kroon appeared for the applicant. The application is a transfer of ownership of an existing lodging house. The applicant intends to add security cameras, and upgrade the building somewhat, but otherwise maintain operations as they currently exist. This applicant recently acquired another lodging house within the city.

There were neither opponents nor proponents when called. Upon a motion duly made by Chairman Quarantello, and seconded by Commissioner Guinasso, it was VOTED to approve the application.

Late Addition to Agenda

Kids' Cowboy Corral Show

565 Squire Road
Kenneth Churchill, Contact

Application for a Special One-Day License for Entertainment and Common Victualler: Application of Kenneth Churchill, 1 Churchill Court, York, Maine, for a special one-day license for entertainment and common victualler, to be exercised at 565 Squire Road, in the parking lot, from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m. on September 11, 2015, to hold a Country Western Kids' Show of the Wild West, with horse performers and acts, and pony rides. Entertainment will include the horseback performances, and also live country western music.

Steve Cummings appeared for the application. Permits have not been obtained yet, although the applicant assured the Commission that he would obtain them.

There were neither opponents nor proponents when called. Upon a motion duly made by Chairman Quarantello, and seconded by Commissioner Guinasso, it was VOTED to approve the application, contingent upon the applicant receiving all inspectional approvals, and obtaining appropriate police detail for the event.

Taken Out of Order

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Laurence Meads and Diana Sepulveda appeared before the Commission. Ms. Sepulveda has been in the business for 11 years, including 4 years as manager of an Orient Heights restaurant. She has allergy awareness and environmental training, and plans to be on site from 6 a.m. – 3 p.m. 7 days a week.

There were neither opponents nor proponents when called. Upon a motion duly made by Chairman Quarantello, and seconded by Commissioner Guinasso, it was VOTED to approve the application.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Form 43 from the Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission approving the change of manager for AMBE Corp. d/b/a Broadway Convenient Mart, 632 Broadway.

All communications were accepted and placed on file.

It was unanimously VOTED to schedule the next regular meeting on September 16, 2015, at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

Following the foregoing, there being no further business to come before the Board upon Motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

Joseph W. Quarantello, Jr., Chairman

Maggie Haney, Recording Secretary

Minutes of the meeting of August 19, 2015