

**MINUTES
LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING
AUGUST 16, 2023**

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE Revere License Commission was called to order by Chairman Robert Selevitch at 3:00 p.m. on August 16, 2023. Commissioner Daniel Occena, Police Chief David Callahan, and Maggie Haney, Recording Secretary, present. Commissioner Linda Guinasso, and Police Lt. Sean Randall, Liaison with the Revere License Commission, absent.

Salute to the Flag by the members of the Revere License Commission and those in attendance.

Vote to accept Minutes: Vote to accept the Minutes of 7/19/23.

Upon a motion duly made by Chairman Selevitch, and seconded by Commissioner Occena, it was VOTED to approve the minutes.

VOTED ON THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION

Joseph Leon Mottolo Post #4524 V.F.W. U.S., Inc.

61 Lucia Avenue

Matt Cunningham, Event Manager

Application for a 1-day Malt/Wine, Common Victualler, and Entertainment License: Application of Joseph Leon Mottolo Post #4524 V.F.W. U.S., Inc., Matt Cunningham, Event Manager, for a 1-day license for Malt/Wine, Common Victualler, and Entertainment to be exercised in the parking lot at 61 Lucia Avenue on Saturday, September 16, 2023 from 12 p.m. – 8 p.m. for a Block Party Neighborhood/Community Appreciation event. Expected attendance is 100.

Matthew Cunningham appeared for the application. This is to be a community/neighborhood appreciation event, for the neighboring residents, and will have barbecue, band, and beer and wine. A police detail will be engaged for the event, and they hope to close off the street in order to allow for pedestrian safety. The event itself will take place in the parking lot.

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

Boston Street Soccer

Harry Della Russo Stadium

Juan Cardenas, Event Manager

Application for (6) 1-day Malt/Wine Licenses: Application of Boston Street Soccer, Juan Cardenas, Event Manager, for six 1-day licenses for Malt/Wine to be exercised at Harry Della Russo Stadium on the following dates: Sunday, August 27, 2023 from 3 p.m. – 9 p.m., Sunday, September 3, 2023 from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m., Saturday, September 16, 2023 from 3 p.m. – 9 p.m., Sunday, October 1, 2023 from 3 p.m. – 9 p.m., Sunday, October 15, 2023 from 3 p.m. – 9 p.m., and Sunday, October 29, 2023 from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. Events are adult soccer games of the United Premier Soccer League. Expected attendance at each event is 100 – 200.

Juan Cardenas appeared for the application. The servers will have appropriate certification (e.g., TIPS), and there will be personnel present to ensure that alcohol does not enter or leave the stadium. Deputy Laurano of the Revere Fire Department inquired if the applicant intends to have food trucks at the games. They do not.

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

Impact-U Foundation

Harry Della Russo Stadium
Estefany Roldan, Event Manager

Application for a 1-day Malt/Wine, Common Victualler, and Entertainment License: Application of Impact-U Foundation, Estefany Roldan, Event Manager, for a 1-day license for Malt/Wine, Common Victualler, and Entertainment to be exercised at Harry Della Russo Stadium on Saturday, September 23, 2023 from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Event is an exhibition soccer game to raise money to support Colombian college students. Expected attendance is 1000.

Sarah (last name unclear) appeared for the application, representing Estefany Roldan, also present. The event is a fundraiser, with exhibition soccer from professional players, and games for children and adults. The event will include a food truck. Chairman Selevitch reminded the applicants that food trucks will require inspection from the Fire and Health departments before they can operate at the event. Revere Fire Deputy Chief Laurano spoke concerning food trucks and the need for inspection. He also noted that the applicant held this event last year, and it was a successful event.

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

Dot's Army

Griswold Park
Renee Griffin, Event Manager

Application for a 1-day Malt/Wine, Common Victualler, and Entertainment License: Application of Dot's Army, Renee Griffin, Event Manager, for a 1-day license for Malt/Wine, Common Victualler, and Entertainment to be exercised at Griswold Park on Saturday, September 9, 2023 from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. Event is a cornhole tournament and BBQ fundraiser to benefit the Jimmy Fund. Expected attendance is 100.

Danae Griffin appeared for the application. This will be their third annual event at this location. Chairman Selevitch inquired into the arrangement for the grill, which will be at a safe location within the confines of the event area.

Anthony Parziale spoke in favor of the application. He considers it a great event for a worthy cause.

There were no opponents when called. Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Occena, and seconded by Chairman Selevitch, it was VOTED to approve the application.

Team Elite Pizza, LLC
d/b/a **Domino's**
570 Broadway
Tamara Fernandes, Manager

Application for Transfer of a Common Victualler License: Application of Team Elite Pizza, LLC d/b/a Domino's to transfer a Common Victualler license from A.M. Pizza, Inc., said license to be exercised at 570 Broadway. Requested seating is 22, requested hours of operation are Sunday – Saturday 10:30 a.m. – 2 a.m. Current seating is 18, current operating hours are Sunday – Thursday 11 a.m. – 1 a.m., Friday – Saturday 11 a.m. – 2 a.m.

Christopher Baum appeared for the application. He is purchasing the Domino's from the current owner. Other than the hours change, no operational changes are anticipated.

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

Starbucks Corporation
d/b/a **Starbucks Coffee**
25 American Legion Highway
Jacqueline Hegner, Manager

Application for Common Victualler and Entertainment Licenses: Application of Starbucks Corporation d/b/a Starbucks Coffee, Jacqueline Hegner, Manager, for Common Victualler and Entertainment licenses, said licenses to be exercised at 25 American Legion Highway. Requested seating is 29 inside, and 6 outside. Requested hours of operation are Sunday – Saturday 4:30 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Daniel Brennan appeared for the application. A freestanding building is being constructed at Bell Circle, and is expected to open in September or October.

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

Revere Restaurant Group, Inc.
d/b/a **Tio Juan's Margarita's Mexican Restaurant**
85 American Legion Highway
Victoria R. Bean, Manager

Application for a Change of Manager: Application of Revere Restaurant Group, Inc. d/b/a Tio Juan's Margarita's Mexican Restaurant, Victoria R. Bean, Manager, for a change of manager from Sean M. Casey.

Victoria Bean appeared for the application. There will be no changes to the operation of the establishment. The Commission noted that the applicant has not yet provided the legally mandated proof of citizenship, and directed the applicant to provide the paperwork to their office.

There were neither opponents nor proponents when called. Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Occena, and seconded by Chairman Selevitch, it was VOTED to approve the application, contingent upon the provision of proof of citizenship.

R K & E Corp.
d/b/a **BK's Bar & Grill**
264 Ocean Avenue
Marilyn Symmes, Manager

Application to Amend an Entertainment License: Application of R K & E Corp. d/b/a BK's Bar & Grill, Marilyn Symmes, Manager, to amend its Entertainment license to add Floor Show and Karaoke. Current license is for: Cable TV, DJ, Jukebox, Vocal/Instrumental Music, and Dancing by Patrons.

Robert Kelley appeared for the application. Before discussion of the application, the Commission reported that city zoning regulating adult entertainment does not permit male strip shows at the location of this establishment. Therefore, the License Commission cannot issue a license allowing male strip shows to this business. There was some discussion to clarify the applicant's understanding and options in this case. The License Commission is able to approve the addition of both karaoke and floor shows, as long as the business applies by the ordinance and does not host male strip shows. The applicant decided to seek approval for the license amendment with that understanding.

There were neither opponents nor proponents when called. Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Guinasso, and seconded by Commissioner Occena, it was VOTED to approve the application, with the understanding that male strip shows are not allowed under city ordinance.

HEARINGS

Four Partners, Inc.
d/b/a **Antonia's at the Beach**
492 Revere Beach Boulevard
Rodrigo Angulo, Manager

Hearing: Hearing into violations including: unauthorized transfer of ownership, no approved license manager, unlicensed entertainment. – **Continued from July meeting.**

Laura Loaiza appeared for the hearing, represented by her attorney, Joseph Franzese. The necessary documents have been submitted to the License Commission, and forwarded to the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission. As the requirements have been met, the Commission dismissed the matter.

TBS Beverage, Inc.
d/b/a **Ocean Liquors**
210 Shirley Avenue
Sukhjinder Pal Singh, Manager

Hearing: Hearing into violations concerning sales of alcoholic beverages to intoxicated persons.

Sukhjinder Pal Singh appeared for the hearing, represented by his attorney, Matthew Porter. Mr. Porter states the business was unable to determine when the violations occurred, but they take the reports seriously, and have made changes in training and posted notices at the business to deter intoxicated customers. He also reported that the area is challenging in that it has a sizable population of vagrants who harass their employees, steal from the business, and issue threats.

Commissioner Occena stated that the main issue for the License Commission is the repeated sale of alcohol to clearly intoxicated individuals, and reports that he is satisfied with the measures the company has taken to prevent future violations. Chairman Selevitch discussed the specific instances of violations. Mr. Porter repeated that they don't have details of the violations and they had not inquired into the specifics prior to the meeting.

Chief David Callahan advised the license holder to call the police whenever issues, assuring them that the police are more than willing to help address any problems of harassment and employee safety. He also strongly advised that the business exercise due diligence and screening of patrons in order to avoid future violations. Mr. Singh described his employee's fears at closing time due to threats received, and Chief Callahan assured him that the police will patrol the area, and that any employee with concerns should definitely call the police, so that a patrol car could be sent to ensure their safety.

Chairman Selevitch moved to file the matter, as the licensee has implemented steps to prevent future violations. That motion was seconded by Commissioner Occena, and so the matter was dismissed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Notification of insurance cancellation of Los Compadres Oaxaqueños, LLC d/b/a **B & M Grill**.

All communications were accepted and placed on file.

Commissioner Occena reported that the Commission has received several reports of disturbances relating to Carnival Latino Restaurant (formerly known as Nino's Restaurant), and moved that the business be called in for a hearing. Chairman Selevitch seconded the motion. The business shall be summoned for a hearing at the next License Commission meeting in September.

It was unanimously VOTED to schedule the next regular meeting on September 20, 2023, 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 4:05 p.m.

Robert Selevitch, Chairman

Maggie Haney, Recording Secretary

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