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Public Safety & Licensing Committee Meeting Minutes

Carmen Rivera, Chairperson

Wednesday, August 28, 2024

The Public Safety and Licensing Committee met on August 28, 2024 via Zoom Audio and Video Conference and in-person at the district office. The following board members were present: Angel Nunez-Garcia, Jessii Parham (Virtual), Katrina Rawlins (Virtual), Nicole Carter (Virtual), Paul Ramirez (Virtual), Reggie Powell (Virtual)

The Public Safety Committee discussed the following:

- **Discussion on liquor license renewal application Aramark Education Services, LLC, located at 441 East Fordham Road, Bronx, NY 10458**

Aramark Education Services, LLC is applying for a liquor license renewal. The catering establishment is located on the Fordham University campus. The committee inquired about separate complaints of food spoiled and food worker illness in 2022, as well as a complaint of food worker activity in 2023. The committee noted that there have not been any recent 311 complaints and did not have any pressing concerns about this location. The board will issue a favorable recommendation to the SLA without stipulations.

- **Discussion on liquor license application for Kravez NYC, located at 610 East 183rd Street, Bronx, New York 10457**

The applicant is seeking a new liquor license for Kravez NYC. Because it is a new restaurant, the committee asked about current business hours and the security presence at the new establishment. The restaurant is open Sunday through Thursday from 12 P.M. to 7 P.M., and from 12 P.M. to 10 P.M. on Friday and Saturday. The owner anticipates modifying business hours in the future. The owner of Kravez NYC informed that soundproofing has been installed and the restaurant is employing licensed security to demonstrate the ability to comply with the stipulations indicated by the committee. The committee resolved to issue a favorable recommendation to the SLA with stipulations.

- **Discussion on liquor license method of operation change application for Ayo Group Corp (Trade Name Ajo & Oregano Restaurant), located at 621 Crescent Avenue, Bronx, New York 10458**

A method of operation change application was submitted for Ayo Group Corp (Trade Name Ajo & Oregano Restaurant), however, a representative did not attend the meeting. The committee has reason to be concerned about this location, as 311 data shows there were 112 complaints against this business in the past two years. This business is allegedly operating a "valet" service which illegally



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double parks cars. The NYC Department of Environmental Protection cited the business for violating the NYC Air and Noise code after numerous complaints of foul odors coming from the establishment. The establishment currently has an outdoor dining enclosure, despite not applying for a permanent sidewalk cafe. There are numerous noise complaints against this business as well. The committee also noted that the business is now occupying the entire ground level, expanding the premises and adding an additional entrance to the business directly next to a residential building. The committee resolved to ask that the SLA withhold approval of this application for a 30-day period until the committee can meet with the applicant at the next Public Safety and Licensing Committee meeting on September 25, 2024. A motion to withhold approval of the method of operation change application and require the applicant to agree to the terms stipulated by the committee was made by Paul Ramirez, seconded by Reggie Powell, and adopted unanimously.