

MINUTES
LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING
6:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 16, 2021
G.A.R. Room, City Hall, 45 School Street
Brockton, Massachusetts

The License Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, December 16, 2021, via Zoom. Present were Commissioners Jeffrey Charnel, John McGarry, and David Teixeira. Also, present were License Agent Paul Bonanca and Executive Assistant Silvia Carvalho.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the License Commission Meeting of November 18, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner McGarry to approve the minutes of the previously mentioned meeting which motion was seconded by Commissioner Teixeira and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

2. Approval of the following police officers as license agents for the month of November 2021: Lieuts. Paul Bonanca and David Farrell; Sgts. George Khoury and Christopher McDermott; Dets. Erin Cummings, Jackie Congdon, Eric Clark, Santiago Cirino, Thomas Hyland, Michael Bunker, Nazaire Paul, James Cronshaw and Timothy Stanton.

A motion was made by Commissioner McGarry to approve the license agents as listed for the month of December 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Teixeira and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

3. Hearing on a request from Cary Hill Discount Liquors, Inc., Manager Maura J. Carney, makes application for a transfer of an All Alcoholic, Beverages Package Store license and a Pledge of the license at 232 East Ashland Street, Brockton, MA to East Ashland Liquors, Inc. dba Cary Hill Discount Liquors, Manager Maria S. Veiga.

Present was Attorney Jose Centelo of 183 State Street, Fifth Fl, Boston, MA, Mr. Domingos and Maria Daveiga of 36 Cosma Road, N. Easton, MA, and Ms. Maura Carney of 122 Fairview Avenue, Brockton, MA.

Attorney Centelo thanked the Commissioners for coming back to meet on behalf of his clients. He stated that they were last before the board on November 18, 2022 and informed the board that he has never had a problem with a legal for Brockton. Because of COVID when you submit an advertisement it goes with all the ads for the Southshore, and you do not hear back. He thought that by not hearing back that it was good news only to learn that the ad never made it into the paper.

He then had to figure out how to get a live person and he was able to connect with a nice woman by the name of Mary Joyce Wyatt. Because he received it late, he had to beg her to get it done. He then proceeded to give the board a summary. He informed the board that the application was for East Ashland Liquors, Inc. and it was being transferred from Cary Hill Discount Liquors. He stated that they are fortunate to have Ms. Carney the manager on the call.

The premises consists of two rooms, the main room with liquors and supplies is comprised of 8,000 sq. feet with a bottle return area that is 2,365 sq. feet, and has two entrances and two exits. Ms. Carney has been in operation since 2007, so for 20 years. Ms. Veiga has been in the liquor business for over 20 years, all in the City of Brockton. Ms. Veiga is a woman of good moral character. There will be no change in the operation of the business, and they will continue to operate in the same manner and style.

The Veiga's have been in the liquor business since 2000 and if the application is approved would serve the public need and protect the common good and interests of the community of Brockton. Mr. Centeio thanked the board for their attention. Chairman Charnel asked if anyone else would like to give a testimony and if the commissioner's had any questions? there were none. He then asked Lt. Bonanca if he has any concerns and he stated that the Police department has no objections to the proposed transfer.

A motion was made by Commissioner McGarry to approve the Transfer of an All Alcoholic Beverages Package Store license and the Pledge of the license. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Teixeira and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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4. Hearing on a request from the Brockton License Commission to Natures Embrace dba Botera located at 747 Centre Street, Brockton for possible violations of Chapter 935, section 502 of the Code of Massachusetts Regulations.

. 935 CMR 502.105(4)(B)(2) which prohibits "advertising... by means of ... print publication, unless at least 85% of the audience is reasonably expected to be age 21 years of age"; and

. 935 CMR 502.105(4)(b)(15), which prohibits "any advertising of an improper or objectionable nature including, but not limited to, the use of recipe books or pamphlets for MIPs or marijuana products which contain obscene or suggestive statements."

A motion was made by Commissioner McGarry to move the agenda item to the next License Commission Meeting on January 20, 2022. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Teixeira and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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5. Hearing on a request to approve all the License Commission Renewals for 2022.

A motion was made by Commissioner McGarry to take the 2022 Renewals collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Teixeira and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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A motion was made by Commissioner McGarry to approve all the 2022 Renewals collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Teixeira and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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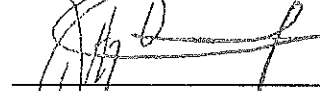
The Commissioners thanked Commissioner Teixeira for his years of service on the License Commission and wished him well. Commissioner Charnel asked Silvia if there were any communications and she

stated that the owner of the 7-11 located at 65 Oak Street sent in an email to inform the board that he will no longer be operating his business 24 hours.

A motion was made by Commissioner McGarry to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Teixeira and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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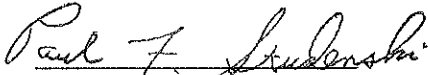


Jeffrey Charnel, Acting Chairman

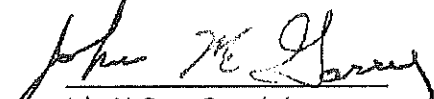
APPROVED



David Teixeira, Commission



Paul Studenski, Commissioner



John McGarry, Commissioner