## <u>MINUTES</u> LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING 6:00 p.m. Thursday, December 21, 2023 Via ZOOM

The License Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, December 21, 2023, via ZOOM. Present were Commissioners, Jeffrey Charnel, Robert P. Simpson, Paul Studenski, Scott D. Uhlman, and Christina Derome. Also, present were License Agent Paul Bonanca, Deputy Chief Williams, and Executive Assistant Silvia Carvalho.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the License Commission Meeting of November 16, 2023.

A motion was made by Commissioner Studenski to waive the reading and approve the previously mentioned meeting of November 16, 2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simpson and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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2. Approval of the following police officers as license agents for the month of December 2023: Lieuts. Paul Bonanca, David Farrell, and William Schlieman; Sgts. Christopher McDermott, and Timothy Stanton; Captain John Hallisey; Dets. Eric Clark, Thomas Hyland, Donald Macmillan, James Cronshaw, Ryan Quirk, Michael Micciche.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the license agents as listed for the month of December 2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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 Hearing on a request from Rotary Club of Brockton for a Special One Day Permit to Sell All Alcoholic Beverages for a Comedy Fundraiser to be held at 457 Oak Street, Brockton on January 27, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Present was No one.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to move the item to the end of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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4. Hearing on a request from Leonor Pires Centeio Financial Services, LLC, for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for two wedding receptions to be held at One Centre Street, Brockton on the following dates:
December 30, 2023, 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.
December 31, 2023, 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.

Present was No one.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to move the item to the end of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simpson and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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5. Hearing on a request from Cabo Vegan, Inc. for a Common Victualer license at 20 Main Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was No one.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to move the item to the end of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simpson and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

6. Hearing on a request from KG Collective Brockton, LLC., for a Renewal of a Retail Marijuana license located at 912 Crescent Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Attorney Scott Rubin of 71 Legion Parkway, Brockton, MA, and Mr. Michael Pires of 70 Callum Blvd.,

Attorney Rubin informed the board that this is a standard renewal for 2024. All of the paperwork is in and, they did receive the occupancy license, late November from the CCC. They are hoping to open in January, and the license must be renewed. They have a successful location in the city, and they are hoping to get approval from the board. Chairman Charnel asked them if they were open? Attorney Rubin informed the Chairman that they have to notify the CCC of the final date. He stated that everything is in place, and they are in the process of hiring and training employees. Lieutenant Bonanca did not have any issues or objections from the Police Department. Deputy Chief Williams had no objections.

Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public, and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, or if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the renewal of the Retail Marijuana license. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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7. Hearing on a request from Brockton Country Club, Inc. for a Change in Manager on an All Alcoholic Beverages Club license located at 265 Samuel Avenue, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Thomas Burke of 322 East Centre Street, West Bridgewater, MA., and Mr. Joe Deagle of 16 Powder Road, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Burke informed the board that they have entered into a contract with a new party to take over management of the restaurant and lounge. The new party will be managing the food and beverages for the club. Mr. Joe Deagle of Deags's local diner will be the manager on record. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and there were elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened the meeting to the

Commissioners. Chairman Charnel stated that he has no issues with this club. Lieutenant Bonanca had no objections from the Police Department, and Deputy Chief Williams had no objections.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Change in Manager. The motion seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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8. Hearing on a request from Fuller Craft Museum, Inc., for a Change in Manager and Corporate Officers on an All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant license located at 455 Oak Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Aaron Mason of 70 Call Street, Billerica, MA.

Mr. Mason informed the board that they had a change of personnel on the board of directors and the facilities operation manager. He informed the board that he is the security, building manager and runs the day-to-day operations of the museum. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened the meeting to the Commissioners. Commissioner Simpson asked Mr. Mason if he was on site? and the point of contact? And he replied yes.

Chairman Charnel asked him if he had food and beverage experience? And if he was TIP Certified? He replied no, Chairman Charnel asked that he get Tip Certified and a Crowd Manager certificate. He wants to make sure that alcohol is being given out responsibly. Mr. Mason replied that he would get the necessary training. Lieutenant Bonanca had no objections from the Police and Deputy Chief Williams had no objections, as long as they get TIP Certification and a crowd management certificate.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the Change in Manager and Corporate Officers. The motion seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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9. Hearing on a request from Go Liquor Corp., for a Change of DBA on an All Alcoholic Beverages Package Store license at 750 Belmont Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Mulik Kumar Panchal of 20 Edson Drive, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Panchal stated that they just opened and would like to change the DBA from Brockton Wine and Beer to Go Liquor. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners. It is just a name change, there are no objections from the Police or Fire Departments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the Change in Manager and Corporate Officers. The motion seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

- Hearing on a request from David Lynch, dba Lynch's Auto Cycle and Truck Center located at 1200 Montello Street and 5 Terminal Place, for a Transfer of a Class III license to a new location.
- 11. Hearing on a request from David Lynch, dba Lynch's Sales located at 210 North Cary Street for a Transfer of a Class II license to a new location.

Present was Attorney Jake Creedon of 71 Legion Parkway, Brockton, and Mr. David Lynch of 30 Quincy Street, Brockton, MA.

Attorney Creedon stated that Mr. Lynch is moving to a new location, and they have transferred all the licenses. At this they only have the foundation built and the walls will be done after Christmas break. They hope to have it completed by February 1<sup>st</sup>, and in order for them to move the licenses they must obtain the renewals first. As the board may know he has city contracts for towing, and he is open 24/7. They have never had any violations at any of his locations and everyone knows of his reputation. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Simpson asked them where the cars will be brought to? They replied that they were brought to the new site. They have kept the property nice and clean, and Mr. Lynch sold the property at 1200 Montello Street, and he is now at the new location and is ready to go. Deputy Chief Williams had no issues or objections from the Fire Department, there were no issues with the parking plan, and Mr. Lynch runs a good business. Chairman Charnel stated that he never had an issue with Mr. Lynch or his businesses, he is the largest employer in the city. The parking plan was reviewed by Deputy Chief Williams and Lieutenant Bonanca, to allow cars at the new site.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take items 10 and 11 collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the transfer of the Class II and III to the new location. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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12. Hearing on a request from Westgate AP Investment, LLC dba Westgate Entertainment makes application for an Alteration of Premises on an All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant license located at 65 Westgate Drive, Brockton MA.

Present was Ms. Francine Kaiser of 235 Field Street, Brockton, MA, and Mr. Christopher Dec of 6 Holmstead Road, Pelham, NH.

Lieutenant Bonanca and Deputy Chief Williams stopped in to see the axe throwing, which was before the board previously. There are many walls that they would like to take out. They would like to add virtual

golf, and dart throwing. They are hoping to open the place up, so that they have a better view. They would like to create an open atmosphere so families can see each other, and it is safer and more efficient. At this time, it is not user friendly. They would also like to bring the dark ride to the unused area. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. Councilor Asack came forward in favor of the application, stated that she understands it is under new ownership, and they have invested a lot in Brockton and our youth, and asked that the board vote in favor. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the Commissioners.

The Commissioners reminded them that the axe throwing must be done as safely as possible, and they replied that the lanes are caged in. Chairman Charnel stated that the same rules apply as they did at the previous meeting with regards to the axe throwing and any injuries that may occur. Lieutenant Bonanca stated that they did have a tour and they went over everything. There are no issues at this time and no objections by the Police Department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the Alteration of Premises. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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13. Hearing on a request from Mother's Daughter for a Common Victualer license at 543 Pearl Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Ms. Chandra Gouldrup, 37 Lincoln Street, N. Easton, MA.

Ms. stated that they are a juice and salad bar cafe, and they focus on whole body health. They have two other locations, Easton, and Sudbury, and they are grab and go restaurant. They are currently looking to open one on the Easton/ Brockton line, at 543 Pearl Street., and they are excited to test it out. They are seeing a labor issue which has become a problem. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners.

The board asked her if she would be serving a raw or uncooked menu? And she stated there is some prepared food on site and she is working with the Fire and the Health Department on applying for a change of use. They are looking for a total of twelve seats, they are mainly a takeaway business. Lieutenant Bonanca stated that they must obtain approval from the Zoning Board, so this would be subject to proper zoning and building permits. Commissioner Uhlman asked about seating due to parking spaces and she stated that she has eighteen spots at the moment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the Common Victualer license pending Zoning Board approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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14. Hearing on a request from Sunrise Steakhouse, LLC, for a Common Victualer license at 595 Centre Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Rubin of 30 Sinclair Road, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Rubin informed the board that he is trying to open a five-star restaurant across from the hospital. They are hoping to have a soft opening on the 6th of January. They serve food with a twist of Caribbean flavor. Commissioner Uhlman asked if the building was a converted movie theater? And if they had to get proper permits? Deputy Chief Williams stated that it was not a movie theater, and it has taken two to three years to get ready and they are finally ready to open, and they have done a great job. There are no objections from the Fire Department. He stated for the record that 595 is the 911 address, and 583 is for permits.

Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners. The board informed Mr. Rubin that they need plans for the location. He informed the board that he will be applying for alcohol in the future, and they are a 100-seat restaurant. Lieutenant Bonanca submitted photos and stated that a lot of the work has been done, if Fire does not object the Police will not either. Fridays and Saturdays he will host jazz instrumentals for three hours and he has hired a couple of chefs that prepare Caribbean food.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Common Victualer license. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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 Hearing on a request from Rotary Club of Brockton for a Special One Day Permit to Sell All Alcoholic Beverages for a Comedy Fundraiser to be held at 457 Oak Street, Brockton on January 27, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Present was Mr. Richard Hooke of 44 East Alden Avenue, Randolph, MA.

Mr. Hook informed the board that they are very involved in the community, they clothe and feed children and the elderly. They have fundraisers throughout the year, but this year they moved location. He stated that he will run the bar and has forty plus years of experience in the business. He is TIPS Certified and is hoping to have a fantastic event. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners. Lieutenant Bonanca stated that because admission is being charged the recommendation is one police detail during the hours of operation. Deputy Chief Williams had no objections from the Fire Department.

The board informed him that alcohol must be purchased through a wholesaler and a crowd manager must be on site and everyone must be TIP Certified.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the One Day Special Permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present, Chairman Charnel recused himself.

16. Hearing on a request from Leonor Pires Centeio Financial Services, LLC, for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for two wedding receptions to be held at One Centre Street, Brockton on the following dates:
December 30, 2023, 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.
December 31, 2023, 4:00 p.m to 2:00 a.m.

Present was No one.

The proprietor has a Justice of the Peace license and has been holding functions in her space. The Fire and Police Department are against the application.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Special One Day Permits. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present. The events were denied by a vote of all five members present in the negative.

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17. Hearing on a request from Cabo Vegan, Inc. for a Common Victualer license at 20 Main Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was No one.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to move the item to the January meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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18. All Alcoholic Restaurants

Commissioner Uhlman noted that Allure Investment Group, LLC, and Five-O-Eight, LLC are still closed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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19. All Alcoholic Restaurants

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the 2024 All Alcoholic Restaurants license renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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20. Wine and Malt Restaurants

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

## 21. Wine and Malt Restaurants

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the 2024 Wine and Malt license renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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22. All Alcoholic Beverages General On Premise

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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23. All Alcoholic Beverages General On Premise

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the 2024 General On Premise license renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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24. All Alcoholic Package Store

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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25. All Alcoholic Package Store

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the 2024 All Alcoholic Package Store license renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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26. Wine and Malt Package Store

Commissioner Uhlman made note that Orlando B. Andrade, dba Rice's Market burned down.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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27. Wine and Malt Package Store

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the 2024 Wine and Malt Package Store license renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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## 28. All Alcoholic Clubs

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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## 29. All Alcoholic Clubs

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the 2024 All Alcoholic Clubs license renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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30. Common Victualer licenses

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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31. Common Victualer licenses

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the 2024 Common Victualer license renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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32. Licenses to Sell Second Hand Motor Vehicles (Class I and II)

A motion was made by Commissioner Studenski to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simpson and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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33. Licenses to Sell Second Hand Motor Vehicles (Class I and II)

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the 2024 Licenses to Sell Second Hand Motor Vehicles (Class I and II) license renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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34. Licenses for Class III Motor Vehicle Junk Dealer (Class III)

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

35. Licenses for Class III Motor Vehicle Junk Dealer (Class III)

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the 2024 Licenses for Class III Motor Vehicle Junk Dealer license renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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36. Lodging House Licenses

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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37. Lodging House Licenses

A motion was made by Commissioner Derome to approve the 2024 Lodging House License renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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38. Entertainment Licenses

Commissioner Uhlman noted that Allure Investment Group, LLC, and Five-O-Eight, LLC are still closed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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39. Entertainment Licenses

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the 2024 Entertainment License renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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40. Automatic Amusement Device Licenses

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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41. Automatic Amusement Device Licenses

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the 2024 Automatic Amusement Device License renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

42. Late Night Business Permits

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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43. Late Night Business Permits

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Late Night Business Permits renewals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Charnel, Chairman

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Studenski, Commissioner

Robert P. Simpson, Commissioner

Christina Derome, Commissioner

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Scott D. Uhlman, Commissioner