



September 12, 2023

The City of Atlanta License Review Board Meeting was called to order at 5:18 P.M.

License Review Board Members Present

**Ms. Priscilla Carter
Mr. Terry Ross
Mr. Jerry Gray
Ms. Cindy Barnes
Mr. Emerson Carey
Mr. Antonio Thomas**

Representing the Atlanta Police Department

**Sergeant J. Thompson
Investigator M. Tillman
Officer D. McKinnon
Inspector F. Graham**

Representing the City of Atlanta Law Department

**Brian Paxton, Esq.
Shemia Washington, Esq.
Laverne Long-Daniels, Esq.**

Court Reporter

Ms. Edwina Minniefield

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 P.M.

The minutes are prepared by Inspector F. Graham.

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed on the consent agenda are considered to be routine by the License Review Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If the board wishes to discuss any item, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

SPECIAL EVENT

1. Application of Delta Mu Mu Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc d/b/a Pinot Painting & Poetry, Patrick Tolbert; agent. License requested to operate a non-profit special event with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, Saturday September 23, 2023 from 6:00p.m. – 10:00p.m., at the Millennium Gate Museum, 395 17th Street NW. (non-profit special event) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

2. Application of Meals on Wheels Atlanta d/b/a Woman’s Power Lunch, Robert Gerstenecker; agent. License requested to operate a non-profit special event with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, Thursday October 5, 2023 from 9:00a.m. – 5:00p.m., at 1705 Commerce Drive NW. (non-profit special event) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

3. Application of The Hambidge Center for Creative Arts and Sciences, Inc d/b/a The 27th Hambidge Art Auction, Jamie Badoud; agent. License requested to operate a non-profit special event with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, Friday October 6, 2023 from 6:00p.m. – 9:00p.m. and Saturday October 7, 2023 from 6:00p.m. – 11:00p.m., at Uptown Atrium, 575 Morosgo Drive NE. (non-profit special event) PT

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COMMENTS: _____

4. Application of Center for Puppetry Arts d/b/a Center for Puppetry Arts, Sarah Dylla; agent. License requested to operate a non-profit special event with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, Saturday October 7, 2023 from 6:30p.m. – 11:00p.m., at Novare Events, 433 Bishop Street NW. (non-profit special event) PT

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COMMENTS: _____

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SPECIAL EVENT

5. Application of Wylde Center, Inc d/b/a Wylde Center, Kristy Bible; agent. License requested to operate a non-profit special event with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, Saturday October 7, 2023 from 3:00p.m. – 8:00p.m., at Mulberry Fields Community Garden, 1301 Iverson Street NE. (non-profit special event) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

6. Application of Georgia Aquarium, Inc d/b/a Aqua Vino, Thomas Buxton; agent. License requested to operate a non-profit special event with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, Thursday October 12, 2023 from 6:00p.m. – 11:00p.m., at 225 Baker Street NW. (non-profit special event) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

7. Application of BlazeSports America, Inc d/b/a BlazeSports, William McNeil; agent. License requested to operate a non-profit special event with beer and wine consumed on premises, Wednesday October 18, 2023 from 6:00p.m. – 10:00p.m., at Bishop Station, 500 Bishop Street NW Building D. (non-profit special event) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

8. Application of Latin American Association, Inc d/b/a Latin American Association, Maria Guzman; agent. License requested to operate a non-profit special event with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, Saturday October 14, 2023 from 6:00p.m. – 11:00p.m., at Flourish Atlanta, 3143 Maple Drive NE. (non-profit special event) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

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OUTDOOR FESTIVAL

9. Application of Milyon Enterprises, LLC d/b/a Aroma, Berhane Tassaw; agent. License requested to operate a for profit outdoor festival with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, Friday October 6, 2023 from 9:00a.m. -9:00p.m., Saturday October 7, 2023 from 11:00a.m. – 11:00p.m., and Sunday October 8, 2023 from 12:30p.m. – 11:00p.m., at Central Park, 400 Merritts Avenue NE. (for profit outdoor festival) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

10. Application of South Atlantans for Neighborhood Development d/b/a Benteen Park Fall Fest, Christian Mendonca; agent. License requested to operate a non-profit outdoor festival with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, Saturday October 28, 2023 from 11:00a.m. – 6:00p.m., at Benteen Park, 679 Cassanova Street SE. (non-profit outdoor festival) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

11. Application of Pho Cue, LLC d/b/a Pho Cue, Julian Wissman; agent. License requested to operate a for profit outdoor festival with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, Friday November 10, 2023 from 9:00p.m. – 9:00p.m. and Saturday November 11, 2023 from 11:00a.m. – 9:00p.m., at Grant Park, 625 Park Avenue SE. (for profit outdoor festival) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

RESTAURANT / SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR CONSUMED

12. Application of JRC BSB2, LLC d/b/a J.R. Crickets, Leonte Leonta; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 129 North Avenue NE. (change of ownership) MT

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COMMENTS: _____

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RESTAURANT / SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR CONSUMED

13. Application of Whowannapho, LLC d/b/a Who Wanna Pho, Thuy Vi Thi Nguyen; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 1126 Euclid Avenue NE. (change of ownership) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse (**X**) Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

14. Application of Tai He, LLC d/b/a YoiYoi Japanese Steak & Sushi, Yuan Lin; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 857 Collier Road NW Suite 11-A. (change of ownership) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: (**X**) Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

15. Application of BTW Atlanta, LLC d/b/a Buckhead Saloon, Brett Holtzclaw; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises with live entertainment, at 34 Irby Avenue NE Unit A. (change of ownership/change of status) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: (**X**) Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

NIGHT CLUB / SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR CONSUMED

16. Application of BTW Atlanta, LLC d/b/a Buckhead Saloon, Brett Holtzclaw; agent. License requested to operate a night club with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises with live entertainment, at 34 Irby Avenue NE Unit B (change of ownership) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: (**X**) Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

CONSENT AGENDA

HOTEL

17. Application of Merritt Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Crowne Plaza/Staybridge Suites Atlanta, Aaron Spurgeon; agent. License requested to operate a hotel with four hundred sixty-two (462) rooms, at 590 West Peachtree Street NW. (change of ownership) TA

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COMMENTS: _____

SUITE HOTEL / SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR CONSUMED

18. Application of Merritt Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Crowne Plaza/Staybridge Suites Atlanta, Aaron Spurgeon; agent. License requested to operate a suite hotel with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, with customer dancing and live entertainment, at 590 West Peachtree Street NW. (change of ownership) WC

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COMMENTS: _____

HOTEL / SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR CONSUMED

19. Application of Merritt Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Crowne Plaza/Staybridge Suites Atlanta (Next Restaurant), Aaron Spurgeon; agent. License requested to operate a hotel with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, with customer dancing and live entertainment, at 590 West Peachtree Street NW. (change of ownership/main facility) WC

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COMMENTS: _____

20. Application of Merritt Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Crowne Plaza/Staybridge Suites Atlanta (Marketplace), Aaron Spurgeon; agent. License requested to operate a hotel with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, with customer dancing and live entertainment, at 590 West Peachtree Street NW. (change of ownership/additional facility) WC

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COMMENTS: _____

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HOTEL / SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR CONSUMED

21. Application of Merritt Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Crowne Plaza/Staybridge Suites Atlanta (Rooftop Pool), Aaron Spurgeon; agent. License requested to operate a hotel with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, with customer dancing and live entertainment, at 590 West Peachtree Street NW. (change of ownership/additional facility) WC

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

22. Application of MCR Fund II Property Management, LLC d/b/a Aloft Atlanta Downtown, Kaunteya Chitnis; agent. License requested to operate a hotel with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, with customer dancing and live entertainment, at 300 Ted Turner Drive NW (change of agent) BB

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

RETAIL PACKAGE / BEER AND WINE

23. Application of GB License, LLC d/b/a goPuff, Terry Peterson; agent. License requested to operate a retail package with beer and wine, at 515 Means Street NW Suite B. (change of agent) MT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

24. Application of 1209 Collier Road, LLC d/b/a EZ Market, Muhammad Sharif; agent. License requested to operate a retail package with beer and wine, at 1209 Collier Road NW. (change of ownership) MT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

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WITHDRAWAL

25. Application of Isla & Co Westside, LLC d/b/a Isla & Co., Joseph Callaway; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises with live entertainment, at 976 Brady Avenue NW Suite 110. (withdrawal) MT

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COMMENTS: _____

RESTAURANT / SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR CONSUMED

26. Application of Baconboy Two Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Philly G Steak Plus; Robert Montwaid, Jr; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises with live entertainment, at 2201 Glenwood Avenue SE Building 2000 Suite D. **NPU-O** (new business) WC

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

27. Application of KRKL Slice, Inc d/b/a Slice Edgewood, Kunita Patel; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 200 Edgewood Avenue NE. **NPU-M** (new business) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

28. Application of Deca 126 Renaissance, LLC d/b/a Noodah Fusion Cuisine, Zhou Hongjun; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 126 Renaissance Parkway NE Unit 100. **NPU-M** (new business) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

29. Application of Butter + Scotch, LLC d/b/a Butter + Scotch, Detric Fox-Quinlan; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 166 Pryor Street SW. **NPU-M** (new business) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

RESTAURANT / SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR CONSUMED

30. Application of Fin and Feathers Edgewood, LLC d/b/a Fin and Feathers, Ayanna Johnson; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises with live entertainment, at 345 Edgewood Avenue SE. **NPU-M** (new business) MT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse (**X**) Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

31. Application of Spice Bistro Group, LLC d/b/a Spice Bistro 2 Go, Nicole Singletary; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 1860 Memorial Drive SE Suite C. **NPU-O** (new business) JT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: (**X**) Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

32. Application of Pera Atlanta, LLC d/b/a Pera Bistro, Okan Ozyurteri; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 1193 Collier Road NE Suite A. **NPU-C** (new business) JT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: (**X**) Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

BAR / SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR CONSUMED

33. Application of Signal House Dining, LLC d/b/a Signal House Dining; William Riddle; agent. License requested to operate a bar with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 680 North Avenue NE Suite 0825. **NPU-M** (new business) WC

BOARD RECOMMENDS: (**X**) Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

OPEN AIR CAFE / SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR CONSUMED

34. Application of Girl Diver Westside Paper, LLC d/b/a Bar GD, Richard Tang; agent. License requested to operate an open-air café with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises with live entertainment, at 950 West Marietta Street NW Unit A-120. **NPU-K** (new business) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

RETAIL PACKAGE / BEER AND WINE

35. Application of Smoke World, LLC d/b/a Smoke World Buckhead, Nizar Alibhai; agent. License requested to operate a retail package with beer and wine, at 3210 Roswell Road NE. **NPU-B** (new business) DR

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

36. Application of Upper West Liquors, LLC d/b/a Upper Westside Bottle Shop, Gerard Gunthert, Jr.; agent. License requested to operate a retail package with beer and wine, at 2225 Marietta Boulevard NW. **NPU-C** (new business) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

RETAIL PACKAGE / LIQUOR

37. Application of Upper West Liquors, LLC d/b/a Upper Westside Bottle Shop, Gerard Gunthert, Jr.; agent. License requested to operate a retail package with liquor, at 2225 Marietta Boulevard NW. **NPU-C** (new business) PT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: _____

FAILURE TO RENEW

38. Application of Chops, Inc d/b/a Chops Restaurant, Nicholas Karataassos; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, with live entertainment and customer dancing, at 3060 Peachtree Road NW Suite 150. (2023 failure to renew) JT

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COMMENTS: \$2,500 fine and five (5) day suspension for each license. There are three (3) licenses at this location. Total fine of \$7,500 and five day suspension to be served concurrently.

39. Application of 3018 Maple Corp d/b/a Pricci, Pano Karataassos; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 3018 Maple Drive NE. (2023 failure to renew) JT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: \$2,500 fine and five (5) day suspension

40. Application of 265 Pharr Corp d/b/a Atlanta Fish Market, Ignatius Karataassos; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 265 Pharr Road NE. (2023 failure to renew) JT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: \$2,500 fine and five (5) day suspension

41. Application of Buckhead Bread Company d/b/a Buckhead Bread Company, Pano Karataassos; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 3070 Piedmont Road NE. (2023 failure to renew) JT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: \$2,500 fine and five (5) day suspension

FAILURE TO RENEW

42. Application of 3344, LLC d/b/a Bistro Niko, Nicholas Karataassos; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, with live entertainment and customer dancing, at 3344 Peachtree Road NE. (2023 failure to renew) JT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: \$2,500 fine and five (5) day suspension

43. Application of 3085 Piedmont, LLC d/b/a Kyma, Pano Karataassos; agent. License requested to operate a restaurant with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, at 3085 Piedmont Road NE. (2023 failure to renew) JT

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: \$2,500 fine and five (5) day suspension

DUE CAUSE

44. Due Cause for 1715 Northside Drive, Inc d/b/a Diamond Club, Carmen Popovitch; agent. Operating as a night club with liquor beer and wine consumed on premises, with live and adult entertainment, at 1715 Northside Drive NW. (due cause/ failure to supervise/ adult entertainment permit required) DM

BOARD RECOMMENDS: () Approved () Adverse () Held for _____ Weeks

COMMENTS: \$2,500 fine and thirty (30) day suspension
