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LICENSING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Salem Licensing Board was held on Monday, October 26, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., via ZOOM, an online video conference call system. Present on call were: Chairman Gary Barrett, members Deb Greel and Gary Santos, Jr., Clerk of the Board, Melissa Pagliaro and City Solicitor Elizabeth Rennard.

1. Application for a Transfer of a Common Victuallers License at 44 Jefferson Ave. Applicant: Salem Best, Inc d/b/a Pizza World.

Abderrahmane Baliaji & Ayman Nashataiad presented the application. Ms. Pagliaro said that all of the paperwork is in order. The co-owners said that nothing at the establishment is changing. Ms. Rennard recommended approval. Ms. Greel motioned to approve pending the CORI. Mr. Santos seconded. Mr. Barrett said motion carries. Vote was confirmed by a roll call vote, 3-0.
2. Application for a sub-licensee fortuneteller at HEX, 246 Essex Street. Applicant: Kathleen Exarhoulakos.

Sandra Wright manager for both stores presented the applications. Ms. Pagliaro said that all of the paperwork was in order and the CORI came back fine. Ms. Greel motioned to approve pending the CORI. Mr. Santos seconded. Mr. Barrett said motion carries. Vote was confirmed by a roll call vote, 3-0.
3. Application for a sub-licensee fortuneteller at OMEN, 184 Essex Street. Applicant: Alexander Furth.

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4. Application for a Transfer of an Annual All Alcohol License at 94 Lafayette St. Applicant: MP Restaurant and Bar Corp. for license currently held by SKF Hospitality Group, Inc. d/b/a Stella's Restaurant & Wine Bar. Continued from previous meeting on October 13, 2020.

Ms. Pagliaro said the applicant contacted the office and asked if this could be postponed until the November meeting as there are still a couple of details to work out. Mr. Santos motioned to approve the continuance. Mr. Greel seconded. Mr. Barrett said motion carries. Vote was confirmed by a roll call vote, 3-0.

5. New Business/Old Business:

Ms. Rennard said under new business that a lot of cities and towns are waiving or reducing the fees for renewal applications for liquor, entertainment, common victualler and entertainment licenses. She said the Mayor is proposing that renewal fees for 2021 be waived. She said Ms. Pagliaro can still get renewals out but they are due back by November 30th for liquor licenses. She said if the Board is so inclined we can post it for a vote at a special meeting on Thursday October 29, 2020 at 5:30pm and the Agenda can be posted tomorrow. Ms. Greel motioned to approve a special meeting for a vote. Mr. Santos seconded. Mr. Barrett said motion carries. Vote was confirmed by a roll call vote, 3-0.

6. Adjournment:

Mr. Santos motioned to adjourn. Ms. Greel seconded. Mr. Barrett said motion carries. Vote was confirmed by a roll call vote, 3-0.

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