

MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Tuesday, December 1, 2020

Lansing District Office 525 W Allegan Street Lansing MI 48933

(Video hearing via Zoom)

Present: Pat Gagliardi, Chair

Dennis Olshove, Commissioner Geralyn Lasher, Commissioner

Absent: None

Chair Gagliardi called the hearings to order at 1:07 p.m., noting a guorum was present.

- 1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the minutes of the Lansing Appeal Hearings of November 24, 2020, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- 2. Firewater, LLC, 5264 County Road 687, South Haven, Geneva Township, Van Buren County Request ID# 2002-03304

Mr. Geissler advised this hearing was postponed at the request of the applicant's attorney.

3. Benton Harbor Party Store, LLC, 861 Buss Avenue, Benton Harbor, Berrien County Request ID# 2008-11201

The licensing hearing was conducted for Benton Harbor Party Store, LLC, Request ID# 2008-11201. Jason Geissler appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney John Doyle with member Harpal Singh, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Geissler, Mr. Doyle and Mr. Singh offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to affirm the previous Commission Order of Denial dated October 20, 2020 and to deny the request for a Conditional license in conjunction with the request to transfer ownership of escrowed 2020 Specially Designated Distributor and Specially Designated Merchant licenses from G & G Sethi LLC, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

4. Cezar #2, Inc., 3280 Lippincott Blvd., Burton, Genesee County Request ID# 2002-03668

The church hearing was conducted for Cezar #2, Inc., Request ID# 2002-03668 which was tabled from the hearing held on October 29, 2020. Jason Geissler appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Michael Jablonski with stockholder Saher Helal appeared on behalf of the applicant. Present for the Faith Deliverance Ministries, the objecting church, was Pastor John Thomas and his son, Assistant Pastor Rodney Thomas. Mr. Geissler, Mr. Jablonski, Pastor J. Thomas and Assistant Pastor R. Thomas offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion that the applicant has demonstrated that a waiver of MCL 436.1503 would NOT adversely impact the normal operation of the church, and that the application should proceed with no impediment. Supported by Commission Lasher, the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

5. Atlanta Country Café, LLC, 11541 M-33, Atlanta, Briley Township, Montmorency County Request ID# 2008-11216

The church hearing was conducted for Atlanta Country Café, LLC, Request ID# 2008-11216. Jason Geissler appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and sole member Dan O'Brien appeared on behalf of the applicant. Present for the Atlanta Church of Christ, the objecting church, was Minister Jerry Robertson. Mr. Geissler, Mr. O'Brien and Minister Robertson offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion that the applicant has demonstrated that a waiver of MCL 436.1503 would NOT adversely impact the normal operation of the church, and that the application should proceed with no impediment. Supported by Commissioner Lasher, the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove and supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the hearings be adjourned at 2:47 p.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

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HEARINGS CONDUCTED BY THE MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Thursday, December 3, 2020

Southfield District Office 25680 W 8 Mile Road Southfield MI 48033 (Video hearing via

Zoom)

Present: Dennis Olshove, Commissioner

Geralyn Lasher, Commissioner

Absent: Pat Gagliardi, Chair

Commissioner Olshove called the hearings to order at 1:03 p.m., noting a quorum was present.

- 1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the minutes of the Southfield Appeal Hearings of November 19, 2020, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- 2. Madison Petroleum Inc., 28945 John R Road, Madison Heights, Oakland County Request ID# 2005-06875

The licensing hearing was conducted for Madison Petroleum Inc., Request ID# 2005-06875. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Peter Abbo with stockholder Wamid Lazar, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Asevedo, Mr. Abbo and Mr. Lazar offered comments regarding this case. After discusion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated October 15, 2020 and to approve the request to transfer stock interest in 2020 Specially Designated Distributor and Specially Designated Merchant licensed business, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

3. MAHCB Enterprises LLC, 2436 S US Highway 3, Greenbush, Greenbush Township, Alcona County

New SDD License Request ID# 2008-11258 New SDM License Request ID# 2008-11257 The licensing hearings were conducted for MAHCB Enterprises LLC, Request ID#s 2008-11258 and 2008-11257. As the issues are the same for both denials, the cases will be heard together. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and member Melody Brunnmeier, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Also present was Henry Brunnmeier, spouse of sole member. Mr. Asevedo, Mrs. Brunnmeier and Mr. Brunnmeier offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove advised the matters would be tabled to hearings on a future date.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove and supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the hearings be adjourned at 1:54 p.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Dennis Olshove Commissioner

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MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Lansing District Office 525 W Allegan Street Lansing MI 48933

(Video hearing via Zoom)

Present: Pat Gagliardi, Chair

Dennis Olshove, Commissioner Geralyn Lasher, Commissioner

Absent: None

Chair Gagliardi called the hearings to order at 1:02 p.m., noting a quorum was present.

- 1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the minutes of the Lansing Appeal Hearings of December 1, 2020, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- 2. Binder Park Zoological Society, Inc., 7400 Division Drive, Battle Creek, Newton Township, Calhoun County Request ID# 1911-18556

The licensing hearing was conducted for Binder Park Zoological Society, Inc., Request ID# 1911-18556 which was tabled from the hearing held on October 22, 2020. Felepe Hall appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Nelson Karre with Pesident Diane Thompson, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Also present was Amy Riegel, Chief Financial Officer and Brian McCorkell, Chief Operations Officer. Mr. Hall, Mr. Nelson, Ms. Thompson, Ms. Riegel and Mr. McCorkell offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated August 18, 2020 and to approve the request for a new Tavern license, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

3. Jihan N Jabero, 8473 E M-71, Durand, Vernon Township, Shiawassee County Request ID# 2007-09938

The licensing hearing was conducted for Jihan N Jabero, Request ID# 2007-09938 which was tabled from the hearing held on November 24, 2020. Felepe Hall appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Marshal Garmo with

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Jihan Jabero, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Hall, Mr. Garmo and Ms. Jihan offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to affirm the previous Commission Order of Denial dated October 15, 2020 and to deny the request for a Conditional license in conjunction with the request to transfer ownership of 2020 Specially Designated Distributor and Specially Designated Merchant licenses from Odish Liquor 2, Inc., as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

4. Forever Spring Inc, 1828 Whittaker Road, Ypsilanti, Ypsilanti Township, Washtenaw County Request ID# 1909-15074

The licensing hearing was conducted for Forever Spring Inc, Request ID# 1909-15074. Felepe Hall appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and stockholder Zai Yong Chen appeared on behalf of the applicant. After discussion on the record, Chair Gagliardi advised the matter would be tabled to a hearing on a future date as Mr. Chen wished to have an attorney present at his hearing.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove and supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the hearings be adjourned at 2:37 p.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

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HEARINGS CONDUCTED BY THE MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Thursday, December 10, 2020

Southfield District Office 25680 W 8 Mile Road Southfield MI 48033 (Video hearing via Zoom)

Present: Dennis Olshove, Commissioner

Geralyn Lasher, Commissioner

Absent: Pat Gagliardi, Chair

Commissioner Olshove called the hearings to order at 1:02 p.m., noting a quorum was present.

1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the minutes of the Southfield Appeal Hearings of December 3, 2020, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.

2. Brown Iron Brewery Operations, Inc., 57695 Van Dyke Road, Unit 2, Washington, Washington Township, Macomb County Request ID# 2004-06084

The licensing hearing was conducted for Brown Iron Brewery Operations, Inc., Request ID# 2004-06084 which was tabled from the hearing held on November 12, 2020. Dan Felder appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Kelly Allen with stockholder Wendy Pulaski, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Also present were Attorney Scott McDonald with his clients Tim and Patti Eisenbraun, Landlord. Mr. Felder and Ms. Allen offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated September 15, 2020 and to approve the request for a new Small Wine Maker and Micro Brewer licenses, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

3. Cass Café, Inc., 4620 Cass Avenue, Detroit, Wayne County Request ID# 2008-11014

The church hearing was conducted for Cass Café, Inc., Request ID# 2008-11014. Dan Felder appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and stockholder Charles Roy appeared on behalf of the applicant. Present for the University Islamic Center of Detroit, the objecting church, was Iman Mustapha Elturk and

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Saleem Khalid. Mr. Felder, Mr. Roy and Mr. Khalid offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion that the applicant has demonstrated that a waiver of MCL 436.1503 would NOT adversely impact the normal operation of the church, and that the application should proceed with no impediment. Supported by Commission Lasher, the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove and supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the hearings be adjourned at 1:48 p.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Dennis Olshove Commissioner

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MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Tuesday, December 22, 2020

Lansing District Office 525 W Allegan Street

Lansing MI

(Video hearing via Zoom)

Present: Pat Gagliardi, Chair

Dennis Olshove, Commissioner Geralyn Lasher, Commissioner

Absent: None

Chair Gagliardi called the hearings to order at 1:09 p.m., noting a quorum was present.

- 1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the minutes of the Southfield Appeal Hearings of December 10, 2020, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- 2. Chips Shrimp & Fish Inc., 4031 Richfield Road, Flint, Genesee Township, Genesee County Complaint # CV-504819

The violation hearing was conducted for Chip Shrimp & Fish Inc., Complaint # CV-504819. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and Attorney Kenneth Scott appeared on behalf of the licensee. Mr. Asevedo and Mr. Scott offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to rescind the previous Violation Order dated November 14, 2019 and to remand the complaint back to the Hearings and Appeals Division, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

3. Mike Mohn Enterprises, LLC, 1645 Leonard Street NW, Grand Rapids, Kent County Request ID# 1909-14361

The licensing hearing was conducted for Mike Mohn Enterprises, LLC, Request ID# 1909-14361. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Bert Irwin with member Mike Mohn, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Asevedo and Mr. Irwin offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to table the matter, Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

4. Woot Woot International LLC, 19915 Lichfield Road, Detroit Wayne County Request ID# 2005-06912

The licensing hearing was conducted for Woot Woot International LLC, Request ID# 2005-06912. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and member Derak Carrington II, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Asevedo and Mr. Carrington offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to table this matter, Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

5. NS2 Investments LLC, 12841 Michigan Avenue, Dearborn, Wayne County Request ID# 2007-10051

The school hearing was conducted for NS2 Investments LLC, Request ID# 2007-10051. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Joseph Shallal with member Hassen Safiedine, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Present for the Advanced Technology Academy, the objecting school, was Principal Tarik Khoury and Legal Counselor John Gates. Mr. Asevedo, Mr. Shallal, Mr. Khoury, Mr. Safiedine and Mr. Gates offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion that the applicant has demonstrated that a waiver of MCL 436.1503 would NOT adversely impact the normal operation of the school and that the application should proceed with no impediment. Supported by Commission Lasher, the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove and supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the hearings be adjourned at 2:58 p.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

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MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Tuesday, January 5, 2021

Lansing District Office 525 W Allegan Street

Lansing MI

(Video hearing via Zoom)

Present: Pat Gagliardi, Chair

Dennis Olshove, Commissioner Geralyn Lasher, Commissioner

Absent: None

Chair Gagliardi called the hearings to order at 1: p.m., noting a quorum was present.

- 1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the minutes of the Southfield Appeal Hearings of December 8, 2020, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- 2. Varsity Catering Company, Inc., 251 S State Street, St Ignace, Mackinac County Complaint # CV-500516

The reconsideration of a violation hearing was conducted for Varsity Catering Company, Inc., Complaint # CV-500516. Felepe Hall appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Tom Evashevski with Robert Sposito, appeared on behalf of the licensee. Mr. Hall, Mr. Evashevski and Mr. Sposito offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to modify, in part, the previous Violation Order dated June 13, 2019 and to allow Robert Sposito to be involved in the licensed business, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

3. Jetjev Enterprises LLC, 19840 West Road, Woodhaven, Wayne County Request ID# 2011-14586

The licensing hearing was conducted for Jetjev Enterprises LLC, Request ID# 2011-14586. Felepe Hall appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Kelly Allen with sole member Jason Purnell, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Hall, Ms. Allen and Mr. Purnell offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated December 1, 2020 and to

approve the request for a Conditional license in conjunction with the request to transfer ownership of escrowed 2020 Class C and Specially Designated Merchant licenses from Town Events, LLC and transfer location, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

4. Vicinia Independent Living LLC, 4031 Vicinia Way, Fenton, Fenton Township, Genesee County Request ID# 2008-10334

The licensing hearing was conducted for Vicinia Independent Living LLC, Request ID# 2008-10334. Felepe Hall appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and member Steven Steffey, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Hall and Mr. Steffey offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to table the matter, Commissioner Lasher supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

5. Mike Mohn Enterprises, LLC, 1645 Leonard Street NW, Grand Rapids, Kent County Request ID# 1909-14361

The licensing hearing was conducted for Mike Mohn Enterprises, LLC, Request ID# 1909-14361 which was tabled from the hearing held on December 17, 2020. Felepe Hall appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Bert Irwin with member Mike Mohn, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Hall and Mr. Irwin offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated December 1, 2020 and to approve the request to transfer ownership of escrowed 2020 Class C license from Cedar Thai LLC and transfer location, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

6. Sunrise Stores, L.L.C., 1747 N St Helen Road, St Helen, Richfield Township, Roscommon County Request ID# 2010-12453

The church hearing was conducted for Sunrise Stores, L.L.C., Request ID# 2010-12453. Felepe Hall appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Steven Grobbell with member Tom Foster, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Present for the Faith Alive Assembly of God Church, the objecting church, was Pastor Brian Clark. Mr. Hall, Mr. Grobbel, and Pastor Clark offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion that the applicant has demonstrated that a waiver of MCL 436.1503 would NOT adversely impact the normal operation of the school and that the application should proceed with no impediment. Supported by Commission Lasher, the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

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With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove and supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the hearings be adjourned at 2: p.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Pat Cagliardi