HEARINGS CONDUCTED BY THE

MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Tuesday, March 19, 2024
Lansing District Office
525 W Allegan Street
Lansing MI 48933
(Video hearing via Zoom)

Present: Kristin Beltzer, Chair
Dennis Olshove, Commissioner
Hoon-Yung Hopgood, Commissioner

Absent: None

Chair Beltzer called the hearings to order at 1:31 p.m., noting a quorum was present.

1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Hopgood, that the minutes of the Lansing Appeal Hearings of February 27, 2024, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.

2. Chesterfield Pitstop LLC, 46963 Gratiot Avenue. Chesterfield, Chesterfield Township, Macomb County Complaint # CV-514536

   The violation hearing was conducted for Chesterfield Pitstop LLC, Complaint # CV-514536. Kellie McGuire appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and Attorney Charles Shaw, appeared on behalf of the licensee. Also present was Mark Laberge, Regulation Officer Michigan Gaming Control Board. Ms. McGuire and Mr. Shaw offered comments regarding this case. Chair Beltzer advised that it is her opinion that the Hearing Commissioner did not err in the Findings of Facts or the Conclusions of Law in the matter of Complaint CV-514536. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to affirm the Violation Hearing Order of Hearing Commissioner Edward Toma, dated December 14, 2023, as set forth in the Violation Appeal Order. Commissioner Hopgood supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

3. Novi Park, Inc., 43155 Main Street, Novi, Oakland County
   Complaint # CV-511019

   The violation hearing was conducted for Novi Park, Inc., Complaint # CV-511019. Kellie McGuire appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office, Attorney Michael Gordner with Manager Carol Sassine, appeared on behalf of the licensee. Also present was Sgt. Brian Woloski, Officer Andrew Hudechek, Officer Andrew

Toth and Officer Michael Daisley from the Novi Police Department. Ms. McGuire and Mr. Gordner offered comments regarding this case. Chair Beltzer advised that it is her opinion that the Hearing Commissioner did not err in the Findings of Facts or the Conclusions of Law in the matter of Complaint CV-511019. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to affirm the Violation Hearing Order of Hearing Commissioner Edward Toma, dated October 12, 2023, as set forth in the Violation Appeal Order. Commissioner Hopgood supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove and supported by Commissioner Hopgood, that the hearings be adjourned at 2:16 p.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Kristin Beltzer
Chair

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Held: Tuesday, March 26, 2024
Lansing District Office
525 W Allegan Street
Lansing MI 48933
(Video hearing via Zoom)

Present: Kristin Beltzer, Chair
Dennis Olshove, Commissioner
Hoon-Yung Hopgood, Commissioner

Absent: None

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

1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Hopgood, that the minutes of the Lansing Appeal Hearings of March 26, 2024, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.

2. Los Ranchos, LLC, 237 Broadway Street, Suites D & E, South Haven, Van Buren County Request ID# 2211-14310

   The licensing hearing was conducted for Los Ranchos, LLC, Request ID# 2211-14310. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Michael Brown with member Alfredo Melendez and applicant member Victor Manuel Bernal-De-La-Paz, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Also present was translator Camilo Coloniz. Mr. Asevedo, Mr. Brown, Mr. Melendez, Mr. Coloniz and Mr. Bernal-De-La-Paz offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated February 8, 2024 and to approve the request to transfer interest in the 2023 Class C licensed business, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal order. Commissioner Hopgood supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

3. S&Z Investment LLC, 25309 Evergreen Road, Southfield, Oakland County Request ID# 2309-11435

   The licensing hearing was conducted for S&Z Investment LLC, Request ID# 2309-11435. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office, Attorney Krystal Bahri with member Hedil Habba appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Asevedo, Ms. Bahri, and Ms. Habba offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated February 8, 2024 and

to approve the request for new Class C and Specially Designated Merchant licenses, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Hopgood supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

4. Ferndale Project LLC, 456 Charlotte, Detroit, Wayne County
Request ID# 2311-15393

The licensing hearing was conducted for Ferndale Project LLC, Request ID# 2311-15393. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Christopher Baker and Dayne Bartscht, Managing Partner, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Asevedo, Mr. Baker and Mr. Bartscht offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated January 30, 2024 and to remand the matter back to the Enforcement Division, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Hopgood supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

5. Stage Coach Market II, Inc., 3700 Rochester Road, Addison Township, Oakland County

A. Request ID# 847852 New Specially Designated Merchant license
B. Request ID# 847853 New Specially Designated Distributor license

The licensing hearings were conducted for Stage Coach Market II, Inc., Request ID#'s 847852 and 847853. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and Attorney Joseph Shallal appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Asevedo and Mr. Shallal offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Mr. Shallal advised his clients were withdrawing their applications. No action was taken as the approval orders had been rescinded at the Commission meeting held on January 11, 2024.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove and supported by Commissioner Hopgood, that the hearings be adjourned at 2:13 p.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Kristin Beltzer
Chair