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July 31, 2009

Commissioner Daniel Boyle
New York State Liquor Authority
80 South Swan Street
Albany, NY 12210

Re: Mejo LLC d/b/a Socarrat Paella Bar-259 West 19th Street (8/7) Alter RW

Dear Commissioner Boyle:

Manhattan Community Board 4 recommends denial of an alteration to a beer and wine license to include an expansion to adjacent premises to open a wine bar at Mejo LLC d/b/a Socarrat Paella Bar unless the following stipulations, agreed to by the applicant, are added to the current method of operation for this establishment:

- The French Doors to the street will be closed by 10 pm Sunday through Thursday, 11 pm Friday and Saturday and whenever amplified sound is played inside, as per law.
Hours of operation for the establishment are 11 am to 4 am 7 days per week for the new wine bar. Hours of operation for the existing Paella Bar will be 11 pm to midnight, 7 days per week.
There is no use of outdoor space (rear patio nor sidewalk café)
The applicant is not applying for a cabaret license.
The kitchen will be serving tapas food in the wine bar until closing.
A licensed sound engineer will be used to design and implement adequate soundproofing in the annexed space.
Current capacity is 25. With the added space the total capacity will be 66.

This establishment is currently a paella restaurant and bar with plans to open an adjacent wine bar by knocking through a wall to adjacent premises.

Sincerely,

John Weis
Chair
Manhattan Community Board 4

[signed 7/31/09]

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