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City Services & Public Safety Committee Meeting

Committee Members

Present

Patrick O'Brien, Chairperson
Denise Keehan-Smith
Marie Konecko
Norberto Saldana
Carol Terrano
Rebecca Trent

Committee Members

Absent

Terri Adams
Diane Ballek
Ellen Kang
Patrick Murray
Regina Shanley

Community Board 2 Staff

Debra Markell Kleinert, District Manager
MaryAnn Gurrado

Guests

Representatives, NYC Green Car Service Inc.
Representative, Hiba Car & Limo Service Inc.
Representative, The Green Street Restaurant and Kitchen
Representative, J-Woodside Inc.
Representative, Puebla Restaurant 2016 Corp.
Representatives, Los Pollos Norky's Corp.
Christian Murray

Chairman Patrick O'Brien welcomed everyone to the City Services & Public Safety Committee Meeting.

VOTES

1. NYC Green Car Service Inc. – Applicant applying for a For Hire Base and Paratransit base at 39-05 63rd Street, Woodside, NY.

- Bar to open in the evening. Closing hour will be at 11:00 PM. Last food served at 10:30 PM.
- There are 10 tables in the rear, each table seating 4 people; and in the front, the café part, there will be 2 tables, unsure of the amount of seats at each table.
- A floor plan was provided, showing 11 tables, and a juice bar in the front, with 8 seats in the rear.
- A Certificate of Occupation was provided.

Mr. O'Brien inquired whether the owner planned to get a Public Assembly permit, as this is required if there are 74 people or more able to be seated in the premises. He also noted that the plan submitted by the applicant showed table seating for 74 and, as it did not account for staff or standing customers at the juice bar or other areas, it appeared likely that a Public Assembly permit would be required.

The applicant stated that they do plan to make some changes, and Mr. O'Brien suggested that the owner talk with its architect regarding the maximum number of occupants to be allowed in the premises, and report back to the Committee at its next meeting.

As to experience running a restaurant, the owner stated that her family has owned restaurants since she was a little girl, and she has managed restaurants under her parent's supervision for many years.

- A 500 foot rule will apply, and a public hearing will be required.
- They have already filed their application with the SLA regular application, not attorney certified.

Mr. O'Brien stated that there were questions and concerns regarding this application that needed to be worked out. The applicant will be invited back to the February 10, 2016 City Services & Public Safety Committee Meeting to address these questions and concerns.

4. J-Woodside Inc. – Applicant applying for a Wine and Beer License at 49-11 Roosevelt Avenue, Woodside, NY.

The owner stated:

- This will be a transfer application.
- The location has not been problematic in the past.
- He will be an "On Hands Manager", and be at the restaurant each day to manage. However he has only had one year and a half experience working in the industry, and not in a managerial capacity.
- Hours of Operation: Open at 4:00 PM. Weekdays closing at 4:00 AM.
- They are looking to remain open weekdays until 2:00 AM, and Friday and Saturday until 3:00 AM.

Mr. O'Brien stated:

- The application papers state that the restaurant will be open from 11:00 AM to 11:00 PM, not closing at 4:00 AM.
- The owner stated that it is a seafood restaurant, and if it opens at 4:00 PM, closing hours at 11:00 PM., there will only be 6 hours in which to operate.
- Kitchen hours will be until 2:00 AM.

Mr. O'Brien stated:

- Their application would have to be formally amended with the SLA if they are seeking hours beyond the 11:00 AM to 11:00 PM stated in their notice to CB2.
- There is no signed copy of the Stipulation with the current licensee, but the stipulation agreement in the files stated that closing hour will be at 1:00 AM. The applicant's representative stated he would ascertain if the licensee had signed it, and would provide a Signed copy to the Committee
- There is also a parking problem in front of the restaurant, because of the way the property is shaped. The owner stated that they have been using the parking spaces at the nearby lot.
- The applicant has not filed the application, as yet.
- There is no dancing, no cabaret.

The applicant stated that the staff will remain the same.

There was a discussion regarding the application itself.

Mr. O'Brien stated that there are questions that need to be addressed regarding the Stipulation with the current licensee, and hours of operation, and experience. There was also not a clear view from the exterior of the premises into the restaurant, as required by the NYC Administrative Code.

A motion was made to not oppose this application, with the usual stipulations, and with the added stipulation that the applicant abide by the previous agreement of the closing hours of 1:00 AM and comply with the requirements of the NYC Administrative Code relating to the provision of a clear view of the entire interior of the establishment from the outside. The motion was seconded.

In Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

Abstention: 0

Chairperson present but not voting.

5. Puebla Restaurant 2016 Corp. – Applicant applying for a Wine and Beer License at 39-22 61st Street, Woodside, NY.

The applicant stated:

- This will be a new application. The space is empty at present, and across from a post office.
- Requested Hours of Operation: 8:00 AM until 1:00 AM, 7 days a week.
- There will be recorded music only.
- No dancing. No cabaret.
- There is no rear yard, and no sidewalk use.
- Seating – 6 tables of 4 at each table for a total of 24 seats, and 6 seats at the bar, total of 30 in all.
- A Certificate of Occupancy was provided.
- The applicant previously managed a restaurant in Puerto Rico for 2 years, and has been in the restaurant business for many years.
- He has already filed with the SLA, but the restaurant is not open, as yet, for business.

A motion was made to not oppose this application, with the usual stipulations, and with the added stipulation that the closing hour of operation be until midnight Sunday until Thursday, and 1:00 AM on Friday and Saturday. The motion was seconded.

In Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

Abstention: 0

Chairperson present but not voting.

6. Los Pollos Norky's Corp. – Applicant applying for a corporate change at 45-51 46th Street, Woodside, NY.

The attorney stated:

- This is a beer and wine license application.
- The applicant appeared before the City Services & Public Safety Committee about a year and a half ago when he assumed the business from his brother, the original licensee, as a corporate change, at that time.
- The owner has a great deal of experience, having been in the restaurant business his entire life.
- The attorney stated that his office had somehow failed to process the paper work at that time.
- Hours of Operation: 11:00 AM until midnight, except closing at 11:00 PM on Sundays.
- It a small restaurant, with 9 tables, and a small bar, with 3 seats.
- There have not been any complaints or violations reported at the restaurant.

Mr. O'Brien requested that the applicant provided a floor plan.

Mr. O'Brien stated that there was no stipulation agreement at the time of the original appearance of the applicant.

A motion was made to not oppose this application, with the above hours of operation only and the usual stipulations, and with the added stipulation that the applicant provide a floor plan. The motion was seconded.

In Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

Abstention: 0

Chairperson present but not voting.

Chairman O'Brien thanked everyone for attending the City Services & Public Safety Committee Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Joan Bergman