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License & Permits Committee Minutes

May 12th, 2026

Robert Barnes, Committee Chairperson

Jackson Bronx Corporation Renewal Application

- Committee Chair Robert Barnes introduces himself as the chair of the committee of permits and licenses.
- District Manager Anthony Jordan outlines the agenda, including three SLA renewals, a new license, and a request for a free activity permit.
- Jackson Bronx Corporation DBA Mexicocina at 503 Jackson Avenue is the first application discussed.
- The current license is set to expire on May 31, 2026, and the establishment is a full restaurant with a full kitchen and recorded music.
- The business has been in operation for nine years and has received letters of support from local businesses and residents.

Details of Jackson Bronx Corporation

- The establishment is owned by Oswaldo, who took over in 2010.
- The business is described as family-oriented and quiet, with no loud music played.
- District Manager Anthony Jordan inquires about any complaints or issues related to the business, to which the owner responds that there have been no problems.
- The owner mentions that the business has a health department permit and a lease expiring on May 27, 2027.
- Committee Chair Robert Barnes praises the owner for being a good community advocate and mentions frequenting the establishment with the DA.

Four Bronx Wine Bar LLC Application

- District Manager Anthony Jordan introduces the next application for Bronx Wine Bar LLC at 63 Boulevard Bronx, New York.
- The establishment is a new applicant and is looking to be a bar with recorded music.
- The business is scheduled to operate from Sundays to Saturdays, with hours from 2 PM to 12 AM.
- The establishment has a noise mitigation plan and has received support from local businesses and residents.
- The owners, Paul and Cindy, explain their vision for the wine bar, emphasizing their passion for wine and the lack of similar establishments in the Bronx.

Community Engagement and Safety Measures

- Paul and Cindy discuss their efforts to engage with the community, including talking to local residents and businesses.
- They plan to have outdoor seating with a capacity of 20 seats, including 12 tables and eight bar stools.
- The owners emphasize their commitment to maintaining a quiet and family-oriented environment.
- District Manager Anthony Jordan inquires about the noise mitigation plan and the owners' experience with similar businesses.
- The owners mention their plans to have security measures in place, including cameras and engaging with the community.

Challenges and Solutions for Four Bronx Wine Bar LLC

- District Manager Anthony Jordan asks about the owners' experience with similar businesses and their plans for noise mitigation.
- The owners mention their plans to have security measures in place, including cameras and engaging with the community.
- They discuss the challenges of operating a business in the Bronx, including the turnover of businesses in the area.
- The owners emphasize their commitment to the community and their plans to provide job opportunities for local residents.
- District Manager Anthony Jordan outlines the next steps for the application, including the committee's vote and the full board's decision.

International Youth Fellowship Street Activity Permit

- The committee discusses the application for a street activity permit for the International Youth Fellowship (IYF) for their Taste of Korea festival.
- The event had over 7000 attendees last year and aims to bring Korean culture to the South Bronx community.
- The IYF representatives explain the various programs and activities they run, including Korean classes, dance classes, and community music concerts.
- The event will include Korean food, traditional games, and performances, with over 100 volunteers from the community.
- The IYF representatives request the ability to block additional streets for safety reasons, as the event is expected to attract a large crowd.

Concerns and Clarifications for IYF Street Activity Permit

- District Manager Anthony Jordan and other committee members express concerns about the impact of blocking additional streets on local businesses and traffic.
- The IYF representatives explain their efforts to engage with the community and ensure the safety of attendees.
- They mention the support they received from local businesses and the community last year.
- The committee requests the IYF to provide the application submitted to SOPO, including the site map and hours of operation.
- The IYF representatives agree to provide the necessary documentation and address the committee's concerns.

Final Discussions and Next Steps

- District Manager Anthony Jordan outlines the next steps for the IYF street activity permit application, including providing the necessary documentation to SOPO.
- The committee members discuss the importance of ensuring the safety and convenience of local residents and businesses.
- The IYF representatives emphasize their commitment to the community and their efforts to address any concerns raised by the committee.
- The committee agrees to review the documentation and make a decision at the next meeting.
- The meeting concludes with a reminder of the next meeting date and the importance of community engagement and safety for all events.

Proceeds and Community Benefits of the Event

- Member Jadeen Buxton inquires about the proceeds of the event and how they benefit the community.
- Ryan Campbell explains that all funds received go back into community programs, providing low-cost or free opportunities.
- District Manager Anthony Jordan emphasizes the importance of evaluating and improving the event for better community experiences.

Concerns About Safety and Perfection

- District Manager Anthony Jordan discusses the balance between safety and perfection, prioritizing safety over total perfection.
- Anthony Jordan highlights the importance of adhering to fire department guidelines to ensure emergency vehicles can access the area.
- District Manager Anthony Jordan asks about the executive producer for the event and the need for experienced help to ensure compliance.
- Caleb Kim clarifies that their organization handles most of the vendors, with only a few from other organizations.

Vendor and Activity Details

- District Manager Anthony Jordan inquires about the types of vendors and activities at the event.
- Caleb Kim lists various food vendors, including Korean and Caribbean food, and mentions activities like face painting, jewelry making, and canvas painting.
- Caleb Kim confirms that all activities are free, while food and drinks have a pricing system.
- District Manager Anthony Jordan appreciates the efforts to make the event accessible and inclusive for the community.

EMS and Volunteer Training

- Member Jadeen Buxton asks about the presence of EMS and whether volunteers are trained in CPR.
- Ryan Campbell mentions that the fire department provided CPR training to over 50 volunteers last year.
- District Manager Anthony Jordan emphasizes the need for clear documentation and assurance from the executive producer to ensure safety and compliance.

- Caleb Kim confirms that most vendors are from their organization, with only a few from external sources.

Community Feedback and Event Coordination

- Member Jadeen Buxton expresses concern about the lack of community feedback and the need for better communication.
- Member Freddy Perez Jr. shares concerns about the event's organization and safety, mentioning issues with fire hydrants and emergency vehicle access.
- Committee Chair Robert Barnes suggests getting reports from FDNY and NYPD to address safety concerns.
- District Manager Anthony Jordan proposes adjusting the event's layout to improve safety and coordination with MTA and other authorities.

Voting and Final Decisions

- District Manager Anthony Jordan calls for a roll call vote on various applications and renewals.
- The board votes in favor of the applications, with some exceptions for further discussion.
- Anthony Jordan mentions upcoming items for the next month's meeting, including 619 Bar and Restaurant and Aura Lounge NY LLC.
- Member Jadeen Buxton asks about the steps to take if the board finds discrepancies between the application and reality after voting.

Enforcement and Compliance

- District Manager Anthony Jordan explains the enforcement process for non-compliant businesses, including violation letters and potential license revocation.
- District Manager Anthony Jordan offers to arrange a training session with the new deputy director for downstate to address enforcement questions.
- The board discusses the importance of clear communication and documentation to ensure compliance with board decisions.
- The meeting concludes with a motion to adjourn, which is seconded and approved by the board members.

Action Items

- Notify the Jackson Bronx Corporation DBA Mexicocina applicant of the committee's decision on their license renewal and invite them to attend the full board meeting at Lincoln Hospital on the last Thursday of the month.

- Review the SAPO application and attachments for the Taste of Korea event and send a written recommendation back to the International Youth Fellowship applicants as soon as possible.
- Obtain FDNY and NYPD reports and observations on the prior Taste of Korea event and share them with the committee to inform their decision on the permit.
- Share FDNY and NYPD observations and any other relevant information about the prior Taste of Korea event with the committee members to support their decision on the permit.
- Coordinate with Philip Arnold from SLA to schedule a training session for the committee on enforcement and compliance issues, targeting a date around June.
- Follow up with The Grill Cafe Corp owner and their representative to request the missing documentation (notice sign photo and adjacent business letters of support) and send a written reminder email after the meeting.
- Contact the district office to obtain details on the three 311 noise complaints related to the Bronx Wine Bar LLC location and address any concerns raised.
- Attend the full board meeting at Lincoln Hospital on the last Thursday of the month to present Four Bronx Wine Bar LLC's case and answer questions from the board.
- Prepare and be ready to present Four Bronx Wine Bar LLC's application and operational plan at the full board meeting, including being available to answer questions from board members.
- Email the district office the scanned copy of the SAPO application and all attachments for the Taste of Korea street activity permit, including the site map and vendor list, as soon as possible (ideally tonight).
- Email the district office the contact information for the FDNY inspector who observed the prior Taste of Korea event so that their observations can be reviewed.