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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MARCH 3, 2020

- Present: T. Accomando, H. Acampora, T. Chambers, A. Chirico, B. Bieder, L. Popovic, T. Smith, J. Onwu, P. Caruso
- Absent: J. Robert, J. McQuade
- Guests: M. Gonzalez, C. Narine, C. Chun, M. Bannerman, W. Gilbert, S. Carey, E. Rosenberg, C. Severino, A. Torrensen, V. Tatic

The meeting began at 7:30 with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Accomando welcomed all in attendance and read the conduct document. Mr. Accomando addressed the attendees and said when your establishment is called state your name and position in the establishment and give a synopsis of your establishment. There was a discussion with the representatives from each establishment and the committee members. At this time there was a motion to accept the renewal licenses made by Mr. Chirico and seconded by Mrs. Chambers. The vote was favorable with one abstention.

"**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments applying for renewal licenses have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board's file:

*Trinity Danish Young People's Society, 808 Dean Ave, 10465, between Philip & Lafayette, License #1004611, which expired on 10/31/2019. (Seasonal License)

*Wicked Wolf, 4029 E Tremont Ave, 10461, between Gerber Pl & Miles Ave, License #1200702, which expires on 04/30/2020.

*Brewski's Bar & Grill, 3718 E Tremont Ave, 10465, between Dill Place & Randall Ave, License #1260773, which expires on 03/31/20."

The committee went on to address new licenses. Linka was not present and a motion to table was made by Mr. Bieder and seconded by Mr. Popovic. The committee went on to address Floyd's Coffee House. After a discussion with the new owner a motion to accept was made by Mr. Bieder and seconded by Mr. Popovic.

"**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments applying for new licenses have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board's file:

• Floyd's Coffee House, 1332 Commerce Ave, 10461, between Waterbury Ave & Halsey St, License #NEW.

Indoor	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Hours:	Closed	6 AM-8 PM	8 AM-5 PM				
Music:	Recorded"						

At this time there was no old business.

New business: a discussion with NYPD Sergeant Major and representatives of Plush 101, Casa and Illusions concerning recent events at or outside their establishment. The Chair address Casa first about an incident that was reported on February 23 at approximately 4:12 AM. There was a radio run of a male stabbed and another male slashed; one walked into Jacobi and the other walked into Bronx Lebanon Hospital and both incidents occurred in front of 3607 E. Tremont Avenue. Both claimed they did not know the person and their injuries were non life threatening. The owner explained that night he had a pretty rough crowd and before they left two individuals were arguing. They left the bar they proceeded down the street. The owner states when he heard arguing on the corner with a crowd he called the police. Sergeant Major confirmed the call. When the police arrived they were gone and the owner wasn't aware of the stabbings. The owner did state that the crowd was exceptionally unruly and made him even nervous. At this time the committee made several suggestions on how to handle the situation better. He noted that he should've called authorities much sooner. The committee brought out the point if you see something say something. Next up was Plush 101. Monica Gonzalez, a resident of the building has been complaining of excessive noise coming from this establishment. The committee went on to address the concern with the owner and Monica Gonzalez. The owner states he has spent \$10,000 on soundproofing and he's doing his best to mitigate the situation. Sergeant Major has made several visits to this establishment and has found no problems but was willing to go to Monica Gonzalez's apartment with the sound meter and to check up on this establishment again with the sound meter. The chair recommended that the people who install the soundproofing reinspect what they did and to supply the board with their findings to see if they can alleviate the situation. Yasmin Cruz from WSBID said she knows somebody who lives in that building and states she has no problem with that establishment. There also was a report of a shooting that took place in front or near this establishment. Sergeant Major said they were very cooperative in supplying video footage. At this time there is no new information as investigation is still on going at this time. Sergeant Major will update us as the investigation continues. Yasmin Cruz also noted she has spoke to him as well and he's been very cooperative. The Chair then called on Lisa Sorin, President of Bronx Chamber of Commerce who spoke briefly on how we can help businesses work well within the community. The committee then heard from Christina Narine who also supplied signatures from residence complaining about the noise coming from Illusions. She stated that the music coming from that establishment is very loud and even when they're not open they continue to play loud music. The chair noted that DOT did an inspection on 12/6/19. And they were issued a summons for 54DP in the 63 Hz band. Which is still pending. Sergeant Major mentioned that this was a problematic location for noise in the past. But has been getting less calls lately for noise but will address this location

again. He gave Christina his NCO's contact information. Illusions was asked to attend the meeting but was not present at this time.

At this time the owner of Linka arrived and stated she had an emergency that held her up. A resolution was made to readdress Linka by Mr. Bieder and seconded by Mr. Popovic. The vote was unanimous. The committee discussed with the new owner the qualifications in running a bar establishment and her future plans. The committee requested for new establishments to cut back on hours of operation. They agreed to cutting back on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 4 am to 2 am. Motion to except was made by Mr. Popovic and seconded by Mr. Chirico. The vote was unanimous.

"**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishment applying for a new license has agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board's file:

*Linka 3168 Inc., 3168 E Tremont Ave, 10461, between Waterbury & LaSalle Aves, License #NEW. (Formerly Sapito's)

IndoorSunMonTuesWedThurFriSatHours:11 PM-2 AM11 PM-4 AM11 PM-4 AM11 PM-4 AM11 PM-4 AM11 PM-4 AM11 PM-4 AMMusic:Recorded, D J, Live Music, Karaoke, Juke Box

The floor was open for Committee elections for Chairperson / Co-Chairperson. Mr. Bieder nominated Mr. Accomando for Chairman and it was seconded by Mr. Onwu. The vote was unanimous. Mr. Bieder nominated Mrs. Acampora for Co-Chair and it was second by Mr. Popovic The vote was also unanimous.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Bieder and second by Mr. Popovic. The meeting ended at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted Thomas Accomando