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Economic Development Committee Meeting
February 18, 2020
Community Board 11 Office

MINUTES

PRESENT: Joseph Thompson, Chair; Joanne Rubino, Co-Chair; Veronica Castro; Shradhanand Pirtam; Durrell Boahen; Edit Shkreli; and Tony Signorile.

STAFF: Chris Kirka.

GUEST(S): Bernadette Ferrera and Joe Bombace, Van Nest Neighborhood Alliance; Entela Kaloj, Luke's Lounge; Sandra Jimenez and Emanuel Hernandez, La Catrina; Gene DeFrancis, Allerton International Merchants Association Inc.; Robert Press, Resident; and Sgt. Salce-Aleman, 49th Precinct.

Meeting called to order at 7:20 p.m.

1. Renewal Liquor License Application(s):

- a. Luke's Lounge – 1808 Hone Avenue: Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider.

Applicant was present. 49th Precinct was consulted and had no issues.

Applicant is adding a side entrance to establishment which should be done within 45 days.

Motion by Joseph Thompson, Seconded by Shradhanand Pirtam – Community Board 11 send an e-mail of **No Objection** to the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) regarding this establishment.
UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.

2. New Liquor License Application(s):

- a. La Catrina Restaurant Inc. – 825 Morris Park Avenue: Wine, Beer & Cider.

Applicant was present. 49th Precinct was consulted and had no issues.

Motion by Joseph Thompson, Seconded by Joanne Rubino – that pending a visit by Committee Members, Community Board 11 send an e-mail of **No Objection** to the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) regarding this establishment.
UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.

- b. Mediterranean La Palma Restaurant Inc. – 900 Morris Park Avenue: Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider.

This was tabled at the request of the applicant

3. Old Business

- a. Kirvens LLC – 736 Lydig Avenue

Joseph Thompson stated that there was some rethinking of the decision to deny the extension of hours to the establishment. Based on information provided by 49th precinct after a meeting with the applicant, it was determined that the decision would stand as is.

Joseph Thompson made a motion, Seconded by Joanne Rubino, not to reopen the discussions surrounding the request for an extension of hours for Kirvens LLC. **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

- b. Gene DeFrancis inquired if anyone representing the current planning to establish a BID on Allerton Avenue had come before the community board. It was confirmed that no one has approached the board about a BID for Allerton Avenue. It was decided that community board would reach out to request that they come before the Economic Development committee for a discussion.

4. New Business

- a. Bernadette Ferrara stated that Istanbul Café is open until 4am and social media shows questionable activity outside the establishment. Requested that 49th Precinct to check on the activities.

Bernadette also mentioned that Carlos Party Place (Van Nest and Garfield) rents the location out for parties but many times the events spill out unto the street. 49th Precinct stated they do not have any issues except for noise complaints with the establishment. Also stated that Sector A NCOs do go by then there are late events.

5. Executive Session

Motion made by Tony Signorile, seconded by Joseph Thompson, to enter into Executive Session to discuss “the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation” (<https://www.dos.ny.gov/coog/openmeetlaw.html#s105>). **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

Entered into Executive Session at 8:30pm.
Exited Executive Session at 8:43pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.