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Economic Development Committee

Thursday, April 13, 2017 – 6:30 PM

Hon. John Lynch, Chair

Minutes

Committee and Board Members in Attendance: John Lynch, Deneane Brown-Blackman, Stanley Gleaton, Cicely Harris, Jenifer Prince, Cheryl Smith, Victoria Horsford, Earl Keller, Danni Tyson, Victoria Pannell, Manny Rivera, Lisa Downing

Absent: Mari Moss-Yawn,

Excused:

Agenda

1. Presentations

a. Christine Johnson, Solid Waste Advisory Board of Manhattan had been scheduled to present, but she canceled this afternoon.

b. Lawrence Mendah, NYC Business Solutions. Mr. Mensah discussed business services offered at the NYC Business Solutions Upper Manhattan Center on 125th Street.

2. SLA Applications

Renewals

- Harlem Tavern, 2153 Frederick Douglass Blvd., New York, NY 10026 (b/w 116th – 117th Streets, west side) – Full Liquor License. Applicant principal Sherri Wilson presented on behalf of the applicant. The Committee voted to support the application by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions.

New Applications

- Nezbar LLC, 411 Manhattan Avenue, New York, NY 10026 (NW corner of 118th Street) – Full Liquor License. Applicant principals Susanne Grinberg and Annie Sherpero presented on behalf of the applicant. The proposed establishment is located in a commercial unit owned by applicants in a condominium building. Representatives of the condominium board appeared and expressed concerns about the license. The Committee voted to support the

application by a vote of 8 yes, 2 no, 0 abstentions conditioned on the applicant engaging in direct discussions with the condominium board representatives. The Committee also voted by a vote of 8 yes, 2 no, 0 abstentions to have the application placed on the General Board Meeting agenda.

- Harlem Karibe Take Out Corp., 2234 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Blvd., New York, NY 10027 (b/w 131st – 132nd Streets, west side) – Wine and Beer License. This is an existing Caribbean restaurant seeking a license to serve wine and beer. Applicant principal Richard Baptise presented on behalf of the applicant. The Committee voted to support the application by a vote of 10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions.

3. **Old Business**

- Discussion regarding “Soha.” Discussion was had regarding a proposed Resolution condemning the use by certain real estate brokers and businesses of the term “SoHa” in reference to certain sections of Central Harlem.
- Harlem Nights Ltd., 145 West 138th Street, New York, NY 10030 (NE corner of Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Blvd.) – SLA Charges/Alteration Application. Charges have been brought by the SLA against this establishment because they have been providing live music in contradiction of its described method of operation in its liquor license application. The Applicant has brought an alteration application to the SLA to obtain permission to continue its current method of operation (live music), and he has requested a letter of support for this application. However, the applicant’s principal, Claud Fatu, reported that he is out of the country and unable to attend this evening’s meeting. John Lynch proposed that at most the Board should send a letter to the SLA indicating that it had not been made aware of any quality-of-life complaints regarding the establishment.

Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes submitted by John Lynch