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## **Economic Development Committee**

Thursday, December 14, 2017 – 6:30 PM

John Lynch, Chair

### **Minutes**

**Committee and Board Members in Attendance:** John Lynch, Stanley Gleaton, Charles Johnson, Jenifer Prince, Cheryl Smith, Lisa Downing, Mari Moss-Yawn

**Absent:** Earl Keller,

**Excused:** Victoria Horsford, Deneane Brown-Blackman, Danni Tyson

### **Agenda**

#### **NY State Liquor Authority Applications:**

##### Renewal Applications

- Bianca's on the Park Inc., d/b/a "Alhambra Ballroom", 2116 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Blvd., New York, NY 10027 (SW corner 126<sup>th</sup> St.) – Full Liquor License Renewal. Presentation was made by Tracy Dechabert. The Committee voted 5 in favor, 0 against and 2 abstentions to support the renewal application.

##### New Applications

- Lenox Coffee LLC, 60 West 29th Street NY NY 10027 (between Lenox – Fifth Avenues) – Wine and Beer License. Corporate change application based on purchase of 90% of the business by East Harlem residents and current Lenox Coffee employees Rosa Prado and Monica Romero. Presentation was made by Ms. Prado, Ms. Romero and current business owner Jeff Green. John Lynch advised that he would not vote on the matter due to a conflict as he has represented Ms. Prado and Ms. Romero in connection with their purchase of the business. Mari Moss-Yawn also indicated that she would not vote due to a conflict. The Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 against and 2 abstentions to support the application.
- Atheras LLC, d/b/a "Sugar Monk", 1955 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Blvd., New York, NY 10026 (SE corner of 118<sup>th</sup> Street) – Full Liquor License Application. Presentation was made by applicant principals, Harlem residents Mr. Simon Jutras and Mr. Hector Binikos. Petitions and letters of support for the application from area residents and businesses were presented, and several members of the Community voiced their support for the application.

The applicants indicated that they would meet at the premises with CB member Christina Curry to evaluate ADA accessibility options. The Committee voted 6 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstention to support this application.

- Jahlookova Family Inc., 2531 Frederick Douglass Blvd., New York, NY 10030 (between 135<sup>th</sup> – 136<sup>th</sup> Streets, west side) – Wine and Beer License Application. Presentation by applicant principal Kiran Ponamgi. The Applicant represented that the proposed business would serve primarily organic juices and vegetarian food along with boutique organic wines. The applicant currently operates a similar business in East Harlem on Madison Avenue. Several members of the Community voiced their support for the application. The Committee voted 7 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstentions to support this application, conditioned on the Applicant providing petitions of letters of support from area residents and businesses.

### **Old Business:**

John Lynch reported on follow-up community outreach by November 2017 applicant Ruby's Vintage, 2340 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Blvd., New York, NY 10030 (between 137<sup>th</sup> - 138<sup>th</sup> Streets, west side), and phone conversation with block association member Sade Lythcott indicating her support for the application.

### **New Business:**

John Lynch reported on recent presentation made by NY SLA Commissioner Bradley to members of Manhattan Community Boards. The Committee reviewed the SLA "200-Foot Rule" and "500-Foot Rule" and the importance of conducting Economic Development Committee meetings in the summer so as not to delay review of pending applications.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 pm

*Minutes submitted by John Lynch*