

MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Tuesday, December 3, 2019

Lansing District Office 256525 W Allegan Street

Lansing MI 48933

Present: Pat Gagliardi, Chairman

Dennis Olshove, Commissioner Geralyn Lasher, Commissioner

Absent: None

Chairman Gagliardi called the hearings to order at 11:24 a.m., noting a quorum was present.

- 1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the minutes of the Lansing Appeal Hearings of November 19, 2019, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- 2. Bhagtana Ventures, LLC, 5416 Division Avenue S, Kentwood, Kent County Complaint #'s cv-504543, 504544, 504545

The licensing hearing was conducted for Bhagtana Ventures, LLC, Complaint #"s CV-504543, 504544, 504545. Felepe Hall appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney F. Douglas Mileski with sole member Tarandeep Bhagtana, appeared on behalf of the licensee. Mr. Mileski advised the Commission that his client wished to withdraw His request for appeal and accept the Hearing Commissioner's decision. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to accept the withdrawal of the licensee's appeal request, as set forth in the Violation Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

3. Coppercraft Distillery, LLC, 184 120th Avenue, Holland, Holland Township, Ottawa County Request ID# 1908-13322

The licensing hearing was conducted for Coppercraft Distilery LLC, Request ID# 1908-13322. Felepe Hall appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Joseph Infante with member Brian Mucci appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Hall, Mr. Infante and Mr. Mucci offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to

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reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated October 16, 2019, and to approve the request for a new Small Wine Maker and Micro Brewer licenses, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove and supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the hearings be adjourned at 11:37 a.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Pat Gagliardi
Chairman



MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Thursday, December 5, 2019

Southfield District Office 25680 W 8 Mile Road Southfield MI 48033

Present: Patrick Gagliardi, Chairman

Dennis Olshove, Commissioner Geralyn Lasher, Commissioner

Absent: None

Chairman Gagliardi called the hearings to order at 11:20 a.m., noting a quorum was present.

- 1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the minutes of the Southfield Appeal Hearings of November 21, 2019, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- Vernor Liquor, Inc., d/b/a Frank's Quick Stop, 5878 W Vernor Highway, Detroit,
 Wayne County Business ID# 245023

The penalty hearing was conducted for Vernor Liquor, Inc., Business ID# 245023. Linda McDowell appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Roger Canzano with stockholder Kevin Mezy, appeared on behalf of the licensee. Also present was Attorney Peter Abbo on behalf of the potential buyer. Ms. McDowell, Mr. Canzano, Mr. Mezy and Mr. Abbo offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion that the Specially Designated Distributor and Specially Designated Merchant licenses remain suspended, that the outstanding violation fines and outstanding dishonored payments be paid to the State of Michigan, as set forth in the Penalty Hearing Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

3. Atto USA Development, LLC, 1809 Ashmun Street, Sault Sainte Marie, Chippewa County Complaint No. CV-502547

The violation hearing was conducted for Atto USA Development, LLC, Complaint # CV-502547. Linda McDowell appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and sole member Shawn Atto, appeared on behalf of the licensee. Ms. McDowell

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and Mr. Atto offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the Violation Order of Administrative Law Judge Peter L. Plummer dated June 14, 2019, and to remand the file back to the Hearings & Appeals Division to schedule a new Violation Hearing, as set forth in the Violation Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove and supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the Appeal Hearings be adjourned at 12:36 p.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Patrick Gagliardi
Chairman



MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Thursday, December 12, 2019

Southfield District Office 25680 W 8 Mile Road Southfield MI 48033

Present: Patrick Gagliardi, Chairman

Dennis Olshove, Commissioner Geralyn Lasher, Commissioner

Absent: None

Chairman Gagliardi called the hearings to order at 11:16 a.m., noting a quorum was present.

- 1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the minutes of the Southfield Appeal Hearings of December 5, 2019, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- 2. Iman RR Inc., 3925 Elizabeth Lake Road, Waterford, Waterford Township, Oakland County Request ID# 1907-12192

The licensing hearing was conducted for Iman RR Inc., Request ID# 1907-12192. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Seth Tompkins with members Randy Thweni and Rick Bahri, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Asevedo and Mr. Tompkins offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated November 6, 2019, and to approve the request to transfer ownership of 2019 Specially Designated Merchant license from Boulder Investments LLC, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove and supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the Appeal Hearings be adjourned at 11:36 p.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Patrick Gagliardi Chairman



HEARINGS CONDUCTED BY THE MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Tuesday, December 17, 2019

Lansing District Office 256525 W Allegan Street

Lansing MI 48933

Present: Pat Gagliardi, Chairman

Dennis Olshove, Commissioner Geralyn Lasher, Commissioner

Absent: None

Chairman Gagliardi called the hearings to order at 11:12 a.m., noting a quorum was present.

- Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the minutes of the Lansing Appeal Hearings of December 3, 2019, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- 2. Kalamazoo Ales, LLC, 701 E Michigan Avenue, Suite 1, Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo County Request ID# 1905-08426

The licensing hearing was conducted for Kalamazoo Ales, LLC, Request ID #1905-08426. Jason Geissler appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Michael Brown with sole member Matthew C. Elliott, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Geissler, Mr. Brown and Mr. Elliott offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of denial dated October 30, 2019 and to approve the request for a Conditional License in conjunction with the request to transfer ownership of escrowed 2019 Resort Class C and Specially Designated Merchant licenses from 250 IoniaGR, Inc., and transfer location, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

3. Sunset 515 Inc., 515 Michigan Avenue W, Battle Creek, Calhoun County Request ID# 1905-08610

The licensing hearing was conducted for Sunset 515 Inc., Request ID #1905-08610. Jason Geissler appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office;

Attorney Michael Brown with sole stockholder Surinderjeet Singh, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Geissler, Mr. Brown and Mr. Singh offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of denial dated November 20, 2019 and to approve the request to transfer ownership of 2019 Specially Designated Distributor and Specially Designated Merchant licenses from Jaya & Laxmi Inc., as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

4. Ruby Creek Store, Inc., 7990 E Washington Road, Branch, Logan Township, Mason County Request ID# 1908-12582

The licensing hearing was conducted for Ruby Creek Store, Inc., Request ID #1908-12582. Jason Geissler appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Carlos Alvarado-Jorquera with stockholder Chancey Medema, Jr., appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Geissler, Mr. Alvarado-Jorquera and Mr. Medema offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of denial dated October 16, 2019 and to approve the request to transfer ownership of 2019 Specially Designated Distributor and Specially Designated Merchant licenses from Bentley C-Store, LLC, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

5. Los Tequilas Corporation, 552 E Chicago Street, Coldwater, Branch County Request ID# 1812-16437

The licensing hearing was conducted for Los Tequilas Corporation, Request ID #1812-16437. Jason Geissler appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and Attorney Charles Bogren appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Geissler and Mr. Bogren offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to table the matter to a future hearing so the applicant could appear before the Commission. Commissioner Lasher supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

6. Neu Cellars, LLC, 7906 Indian Hill Road, Honor, Platte Township, Benzie County Request ID# 1907-11916

The licensing hearing was conducted for Neu Cellars, LLC, Request ID #1907-11916. Jason Geissler appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office;

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William Keller and John Keller, members, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Geissler, Mr. W. Keller and Mr. J. Keller offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of denial dated October 16, 2019 and to approve the request for a new Small Wine Maker license, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove, and supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the hearings be adjourned at 1:05 p.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Pat Gagliardi Chairman



MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Thursday, December 19, 2019

Southfield District Office 25680 W 8 Mile Road Southfield MI 48033

Present: Patrick Gagliardi, Chairman

Dennis Olshove, Commissioner Geralyn Lasher, Commissioner

Absent: None

Chairman Gagliardi called the hearings to order at 11:22 a.m., noting a quorum was present.

- 1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the minutes of the Southfield Appeal Hearings of December 12, 2019, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- 2. Y&S Holdings, LLC, 5169 Trumbull Street, Detroit, Wayne County Request ID# 1811-15851

The licensing hearing was conducted for Iman Y&S Holdings, LLC, Request ID# 1811-15851. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Joseph Shallal with member Spiro Vamvakas, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Asevedo, Mr. Shallal and Mr. Vamvakas offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated September 18, 2019, and to approve the request to transfer ownership of escrowed 2019 Class C license from Double J Co., L.L.C., as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

3. Salt Springs Brewery, LLC, 117 S Ann Arbor Street, Saline, Washtenaw County Request ID# 1905-07995

The licensing hearing was conducted for Salt Springs Brewery, LLC, Request ID# 1905-07995. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Steven Grobbel with member Ron Schofield, Jr., appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Asevedo, Mr. Grobbel and Mr. Schofield offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated

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November 6, 2019, and to approve the request for a new Small Distiller license, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

4. Ogma Brewing Co., LLC, 129 E Michigan, Avenue, Jackson, Jackson County Request ID# 1906-10103

The licensing hearing was conducted for Ogma Brewing Co., LLC, Request ID# 1906-10103. Rosendo Asevedo appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office; Attorney Joseph Infante with member Troy Craft appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Asevedo and Mr. Infante offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Olshove made a motion to reverse the previous Commission Order of Denial dated November 6, 2019 and remand the matter back to the Licensing staff for further review, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Lasher supported and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove and supported by Commissioner Lasher, that the Appeal Hearings be adjourned at 12:46 p.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Patrick Gagliardi Chairman