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Arizona State Liquor Board Hearing Minutes
May 2, 2019

Members Present: Michael J. Troyan – Chair, Troy L. Campbell – Vice Chair, Jeffrey K. Oravits (telephonically), and Walter W. Jahn

Members Absent: Michael N. Widener

Counsel Present: Michael Raine, Assistant Attorney General

Staff Present: Denise Bale, Board Administrator

A. Call to Order

The hearing of the Arizona State Liquor Board was called to order on May 2, 2019, at 10:05 a.m. with Mr. Troyan presiding.

Roll Call

Mr. Widener was absent. All other members were present (Mr. Oravits telephonically).

B. Election of Officers: Chair and Vice Chair

Motion to elect Troy Campbell as Chair

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| Yay - | Jahn, Troyan, Oravits |
| Nay - | None |
| Abstained - | Campbell |
| Disposition - | Troy Campbell elected Chair |

Motion to elect Walter Jahn as Vice Chair

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| Yay - | Campbell, Troyan, Oravits |
| Nay - | None |
| Abstained - | Jahn |
| Disposition - | Walter Jahn elected Vice Chair |

C. 10:00 a.m. Agenda: Review, consideration and action

Mr. Troyan proceeded to item 2.

2. Beer and Wine Store Liquor License No. 42289 - Original Application

Myat Min Thu
Mingalar LLC
Point
4201 W. Bethany Home Road
Phoenix, AZ 85019

This matter is set for hearing because the City of Phoenix recommended disapproval. Applicant Myat Min Thu appeared and was represented by Attorney Harvey Yee. The City appeared and was represented by Assistant City Prosecutor Nathan Watts. Sevilla Neighborhood Association representative Lawrrie Fitzhugh appeared in support of the City.

Mr. Yee questioned the Applicant. Mr. Thu owned a 7-11 store for four years and did not have any liquor violations. He is leasing the proposed location and intends to operate a convenience store with beer and wine sales. Mr. Watts questioned the Applicant about his prior experience with 7-11 and the differences in the neighborhood surrounding the proposed location. The hours of operation will be 8:00 a.m. to midnight. Mr. Thu intends to have two employees at all times on the premises.

Mr. Watts questioned Ms. Fitzhugh. Ms. Fitzhugh described the work of a neighborhood association and her role as its spokesperson. Ms. Fitzhugh discussed the history of the area and the criminal activity that is entrenched in the neighborhood. She described the nearby schools, the other convenience stores, and vehicular traffic on 43rd Avenue and Bethany Home Road. She stated that within a two-mile radius, there are 64 liquor-licensed businesses. Mr. Yee questioned Ms. Fitzhugh.

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| Motion to convene in executive session for the purpose of receiving legal advice - | Campbell |
| Seconded - | Jahn |
| Yay - | Campbell, Jahn, Troyan |
| Nay - | None |
| Abstained - | None |
| Disposition - | Convene in executive session |

The Board convened in executive session at 11:03 a.m. and reconvened in open session at 11:20 a.m.

Mr. Troyan announced that due to technical difficulties, Mr. Oravits missed a significant portion of the hearing. Mr. Oravits was connected telephonically at the present time. Mr. Troyan asked if there was objection to designating a panel to deliberate and vote on the matter. Mr. Yee objected. Mr. Raine suggested options for the parties.

Mr. Campbell made a motion to vacate the previous proceedings and to proceed at the earliest convenience of the Board.

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| Motion to vacate the proceedings - | Campbell |
| Seconded - | Jahn |
| Yay - | Campbell, Jahn, Troyan, Oravits |
| Nay - | None |
| Abstained - | None |
| Disposition - | Proceedings vacated |

Mr. Troyan proceeded to item 1.

1. Restaurant Liquor License No. 38523 – Original Application

Noel Chester
District Tavern Eatz
1535 N. Stone Avenue
Tucson, AZ 85705

This matter is set for hearing because of Department protest and public protest. Subsequent to this matter being set for hearing, the Applicant filed an application withdrawal with the Board. Mr. Raine stated that the Department has no objection to the withdrawal.

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| Motion to accept application withdrawal - | Jahn |
| Seconded - | Campbell |
| Yay - | Jahn, Campbell, Troyan, Oravits |
| Nay - | None |
| Abstained - | None |
| Disposition - | Application withdrawal accepted |

D. Minutes: Review, consideration and action

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| Motion to approve the December 6, 2018 and January 10, 2019 minutes as submitted - | Campbell |
| Seconded - | Jahn |
| Yay - | Campbell, Jahn, Troyan, Oravits |
| Nay - | None |
| Abstained - | None |
| Disposition - | Minutes approved |

E. Reports on Current Events, Matters of Board Procedure, Requests and Items for Future Agenda

The next meeting will be June 6, 2019. Mr. Raine will provide training on changes to Title 4 when the laws become effective in late August.

F. Call to the Public

None.

The Board adjourned at 11:32 a.m.



Denise M. Bale
Administrator of the
Arizona State Liquor Board

8/15/19
Date