

BOROUGH OF STATEN ISLAND COMMUNITY BOARD #3

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Community Alliance Committee State Liquor Authority (SLA) Public Hearing Report

DATE: October 10, 2024

TIME: 7:00 PM

Committee Members Present

Frank Morano, Chairman of the Board
Jerome Goldman, Chair Community Alliance, SLA
Thomas Barlotta
Michael Ciacciarelli
Robert DiGennaro
Al Klingele
Danny Venuto

Staff

Stacey Wertheim, *Interim District Manager* Susan LaForgia, *Community Coordinator*

Guests

Allyson Costabile, Applicant, A Cannaful Life David Agosto, Applicant, A Cannaful Life Fazhi Lu, Applicant, Oishi Sushi& Izakaya Area resident

Public Contact

No Speakers

New York State Liquor Authority (SLA)

Applications for New and Temporary Retail Permits

Villa Monte – 7001 Amboy Road, SI NY 10307

I move that Community Board 3 **approve** the new on-premise liquor license and temporary retail permit for Villa Monte, located at 7001 Amboy Road, SI NY 10307, as presented.

Vote: In favor 7; Opposed 0; Abstentions 0

Morano Y; Goldman Y; Barlotta Y; Ciacciarelli Y; DiGennaro Y; Klingele Y; Venuto Y Motion Passes

Arianas Cucina Corp. – 6451 Amboy Road, SI NY 10309

- The applicant's attorney and client have agreed to the stipulation.
- The application and all necessary supporting documentation have been submitted and reviewed.

I move that Community Board 3 **approve** the new on-premise liquor license and temporary retail permit for Arianas Cucina Corp., located at 6451 Amboy Road, SI NY 10309, as presented.

Vote: In favor 7; Opposed 0; Abstentions 0 Morano Y; Goldman Y; Barlotta Y; Ciacciarelli Y; DiGennaro Y; Klingele Y; Venuto Y Motion Passes

Oishi – 17 Page Avenue, SI NY 10309

I move that Community Board 3 **approve** the new on-premise liquor license and temporary retail permit for Oishi, located at 17 Page Avenue, SI NY 10309, as presented.

Vote: In favor 7; Opposed 0; Abstentions 0 Morano Y; Goldman Y; Barlotta Y; Ciacciarelli Y; DiGennaro Y; Klingele Y; Venuto Y Motion Passes

Method of Operation Change

Deluca's Italian Restaurant – 7324 Amboy Road, SI NY 10307

- The applicant's attorney and client have agreed to the stipulation.
- The application and all necessary supporting documentation have been submitted and reviewed.

I move that Community Board 3 approve the new on-premise liquor license and temporary retail permit for DeLuca's Italian Restaurant, located at 7324 Amboy Road, SI NY 10307, as presented.

Vote: In favor 7; Opposed 0; Abstentions 0

Morano Y; Goldman Y; Barlotta Y; Ciacciarelli Y; DiGennaro Y; Klingele Y; Venuto Y

Motion Passes

Application for Renewal - ADMINISTRATIVE

- · La Iguana Azul Restaurant 8 Giffords Lane, SI NY 10308
- · Canlon's Restaurant 1825 North Railroad Avenue, SI NY 10306
- · W's Bar & Restaurant 7001 Amboy Road, SI NY 10307
- · Luce 2945 Veterans Road W., SI NY 10309

New York State Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) Report

Review of Adult-Use Retail Dispensary Locations

Notification to a municipality for an adult-use retail dispensary license application

Klub Canivibe – 3295 Richmond Avenue, SI NY 10312

I move that Community Board 3 **deny** Klub Canivibe's application for an adult-use cannabis dispensary.

Our decision is based on the following reasons:

Whereas, the applicant submitted a cannabis application to the community board on September 18, 2024,

Whereas, the application submitted was found to be illegible, rendering it impossible for board members to review the necessary details,

Whereas, there has been no means of contacting the applicant for clarification or additional information, as all contact information provided was either missing or illegible,

Therefore, I move to deny the cannabis application due to the lack of clarity in the submitted documents and the absence of communication from the applicant.

Vote: In favor 7; Opposed 0; Abstentions 0 Morano Y; Goldman Y; Barlotta Y; Ciacciarelli Y; DiGennaro Y; Klingele Y; Venuto Y Motion Passes

A Cannaful Life – 1547 Arthur Kill Road, SI NY 10312

After careful consideration and review, I move that Community Board 3 **deny** A Cannaful Life's application for an adult-use cannabis dispensary.

Our decision is based on the following reasons:

Proliferation of Illegal Shops:

The presence of numerous illegal cannabis shops in our area remains a significant issue.
 Until these illegal operations are effectively shut down, granting new licenses would exacerbate the problem and negatively impact our community. Enforcing regulations against illegal shops is essential for fostering a safe and equitable cannabis market in New York State.

Lack of Transparency:

 Despite multiple requests for information, we have not received adequate responses or clear guidelines regarding the application process. This lack of transparency undermines our confidence in the fairness and integrity of the licensing process.

Inclusion in the Process:

Our community has not been sufficiently included in the decision-making process.
 Effective community engagement is crucial for ensuring that residents' interests and concerns are addressed.

We urge the Office of Cannabis Management to focus on these concerns promptly and look forward to your response. We hope to see improvements in these areas before reconsidering this or any future applications.

Discussion on the Motion

The applicant gave an in-depth presentation and provided background information on substance abuse and addiction and his business plan for this establishment. The committee members and the applicant discussed this extensively.

Vote: In favor 4; Opposed 3; Abstentions 0

Morano Y; Goldman N; Barlotta N; Ciacciarelli N; DiGennaro Y; Klingele Y; Venuto Y

Motion Passes

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Respectfully submitted,

Jerome Goldman

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Chair, Community Alliance Committee