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HEARING SYNOPSIS

October 31, 2019 Agenda (15th Meeting)

Present: O'Donnell, Ganaban, Minn, Miyashiro, Lee

APPROVED AT PRELIMINARY HEARING

[Comm. Ganaban moved for approval; Comm. Minn seconded; Vote 5:0]

MAS Trading Inc., dba MAS Liquor & Tobacco
Retail General license
Transfer from Daum Hawaii, Inc., dba MAS Liquor and Tobacco
1726 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 103

Sakura Japanese Restaurant IV, Inc., dba Sakura Japanese Restaurant IV
91-5431 Kapolei Parkway, Space No. M-109, Kapolei (Ka Makana Ali'i Shopping Center)
Restaurant General license (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
[Comm. Ganaban moved for approval; Comm. Minn seconded;
Vote 3:0:2, Comm. Lee and Comm. Miyashiro recused]

DSM Food and Spirits, LLC, dba Study Hall Sports Bar & Grill
1019 University Avenue, #1A (Puck's Alley)
Change of Category from a Dispenser General license (Category No. 1- Standard Bar) to a Dispenser
General license (Category No. 3 - Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

OTHER LICENSE/APPLICATION/REQUEST GRANTED

[Comm. Ganaban moved for approval; Comm. Minn seconded; Vote 5:0]

Forward Oahu Nui, dba Forward Oahu Nui
1 Aloha Tower Drive (Aloha Tower Marketplace)
*[Non-Profit] Special General license on Friday, November 22, 2019, from 5:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.
(Fundraiser)*

Olu Investments LLC, dba Izakaya Nonbei
Dispenser General license (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
3108 Olu Street
*Approval to permanently increase its licensed premises approximately 1,364 square feet and to make
Alterations*

Aloha Beer Company, LP, dba Aloha Beer Company, LP
Pub General license (Category No. 2 - Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)
700 Queen Street
Approval to permanently increase its licensed premises approximately 1,155 square feet

Hi Hamjipark LLC, dba Don E Don
Restaurant General license (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar), 919 Keeaumoku Street, Suite A101
Waiver of Section 281-41(a), HRS, restricting the transfer of a license to an original applicant or to any transferee within one year of issuance or transfer

Robin Melchor, Esq., on behalf of Epopée LLC, dba The Nighthawk
Waiver of Rule 3-82-32.1(a) requiring a temporary license application be filed within five working days of the surrender of the previous license or the closing of the business
(Premises at 12 South King Street, #101 and #102)

OTHER LICENSE/APPLICATION/REQUEST DENIED

[Comm. Ganaban moved for denial; Comm. Minn seconded; Vote 5:0]

Manulele Food and Products, LLC, dba Ko Hana Provisions
92-1770 Kunia Road, Kunia
For a Special General license on the following dates (total of 15 days):
1) November 1, 2, and 3, 2019;
2) November 8, 9, and 10, 2019;
3) November 15, 16, and 17, 2019;
4) November 22, 23, and 24, 2019;
5) November 29 and 30, 2019, and December 1, 2019

OTHER LICENSE/APPLICATION/REQUEST – NO ACTION BY COMMISSION REQUIRED

Liquor Administrator
Review of application from Regal Kapolei Commons Stadium 12 for a Restaurant General license
(Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
4450 Kapolei Parkway, Building J, Kapolei (Kapolei Commons)
(Application approved on June 9, 2016; license not yet issued)

Liquor Commission
Re: M Trade Promotion, LLC, dba The Social Honolulu Eatery and Bar, Restaurant General license
(Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing), 1018 McCully Street (R1004)
requesting removal of a condition, no live entertainment, placed on its license – Review of six-month probationary period
(Request approved on April 25, 2019, with conditions)

ADJUDICATION HEARINGS

[Comm. Minn moved to accept or amend recommended penalty; Comm. Ganaban seconded; Vote 5:0]

TM-IMP Restaurant LLC, dba Stripsteak
Restaurant General (Category No. 2 - Live entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)
2330 Kalakaua Avenue, Store #330
Violation: Rule 3-81-17.54(c) [Late filing of gross liquor sales report]
Plea: No contest with explanation
Disposition: \$300 penalty

Pacific Spirits Inc., dba Pacific Spirits Inc.
Wholesale General
161 Hamakua Drive, Kailua
Violation: Rule 3-81-17.54(c) [Late filing of gross liquor sales report]
Plea: No contest with explanation
Disposition: \$1,000 penalty (\$1,000 suspended if no similar violation within one year)

Kapolei Karaoke, LLC, dba Kapolei Karaoke
Dispenser General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
563 Farrington Highway, Suite 204, Kapolei
Violation: Rule 3-81-17.54(c) [Late filing of gross liquor sales report]
Plea: No contest with explanation
Disposition: \$1,000 penalty (\$1,000 suspended if no similar violation within one year)

Waikiki Snappers Inc., dba Tropics Ale House Waikiki
Restaurant General (Category No. 2 - Live entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)
1778 Ala Moana Boulevard, #LL12/LL13
Violation: Rule 3-81-17.54(c) [Late filing of gross liquor sales report]
Plea: No contest with explanation
Disposition: \$1,000 penalty
[Comm. Minn moved to accept or amend recommended penalty; Comm. Ganaban seconded;
Vote 4:0:1, Comm. Miyashiro recused]

Kawailoa Tavern LLC, dba Kawailoa Tavern
Restaurant General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
66-197 Kamehameha Highway, Haleiwa
Violation: Rule 3-81-17.54(c) [Late filing of gross liquor sales report]
Plea: No contest with explanation
Disposition: \$1,000 penalty

Kawailoa Tavern LLC, dba Kawailoa Tavern
Restaurant General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
66-197 Kamehameha Highway, Haleiwa

Charge 1

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.5(a) [Improper registration of employee]
Plea: No contest with explanation
Disposition: \$350 penalty

Charge 2

Violation: Rule 3-84-73.2 [Failure to dispense straight or unmixed distilled spirits from its original container]
Plea: No contest with explanation
Disposition: \$500 penalty

Kawailoa Tavern LLC, dba Kawailoa Tavern
Restaurant General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
66-197 Kamehameha Highway, Haleiwa

Violation: Rule 3-82-47.1(a) [Some form of music, dancing, and/or entertainment without prior authorization or approval]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$500 penalty

Kawailoa Tavern LLC, dba Kawailoa Tavern
Restaurant General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
66-197 Kamehameha Highway, Haleiwa

Charge 1

Violation: Section 281-78(b)(2), HRS [Licensee permitted liquor to be consumed on the premises of the licensee or on any premises connected therewith, whether there purchased or not, and consumption in such area is not permitted by the terms of the lease]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$1,000 penalty

Charge 2

Violation: Rule 3-82-47.1(b) [No written permission prior to installing or operating karaoke machines]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$500 penalty

Kawailoa Tavern LLC, dba Kawailoa Tavern
Restaurant General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
66-197 Kamehameha Highway, Haleiwa

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.9(a) [Failure to have a duly registered manager in active charge during the time the establishment is licensed to sell or serve liquor]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$500 penalty

Costco Wholesale Corporation, dba Costco Wholesale
Retail General
525 Alakawa Street

Violation: Section 281-78(b)(1)(A), HRS [Sold, served or furnished intoxicating liquor to a minor, or allowed consumption of intoxicating liquor by a minor at the licensed premises]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$1,000 penalty

Costco Wholesale Corporation, dba Costco Wholesale #1038
Retail General
4589 Kapolei Parkway, Kapolei

Violation: Section 281-78(b)(1)(A), HRS [Sold, served or furnished intoxicating liquor to a minor, or allowed consumption of intoxicating liquor by a minor at the licensed premises]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$1,000 penalty

ADJUDICATION HEARINGS – CONTINUED TO NOVEMBER 14, 2019

[Comm. Minn moved for continuance; Comm. Ganaban seconded;
Vote 4:0:1, Comm. Lee recused]

FEC Kaimuki Partners, LLC, dba Champs Hawaii Sports Bar & Restaurant
Restaurant General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
3457 Waiialae Avenue

Violation: Rule 3-82-44.2 [Licensee did display or store liquor on other than the licensed premises, other than a display at a fair, product show or similar exhibition, and other than an approved outside warehouse or storage]

FEC Kaimuki Partners, LLC, dba Champs (nka Champs Hawaii Sports Bar & Restaurant
Restaurant General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
3457 Waiialae Avenue

Violation: Rule 3-83-62(a) [Physical alterations without prior written approval]

FEC Kaimuki Partners, LLC, dba Champs (nka Champs Hawaii Sports Bar & Restaurant
Restaurant General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
3457 Waiialae Avenue

Charge 1

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.22(a) [Licensee was observed to not be in compliance with minimum requirements of a restaurant (class 2) license establishment]

Charge 2

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.22(b) [Failure to meet requirement that 30 percent of its gross revenue come from food sales]

Charge 3

Violation: Rule 3-82-31.2(a) [Conducted business outside of authorized class or category]

Charge 4

Violation: Section 281-91, HRS [Failure to comply with Commission Order, to wit, failing to produce documents it was commanded to have ready for inspection]