



SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, July 22, 2024, 4:30 P.M.

City Hall, Room 400, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102

1. Call to order and roll call

Present: Benitez, Cornet, Dickerson, Huie

Absent: Herbert, Ortiz-Cartagena, Zouzounis

Meeting called to order at 4:34pm

2. Approval of Legacy Business Registry Applications and Resolutions (Discussion and Action Item)

The Commission reviewed the following Legacy Business Registry applications, presented by Richard Kurylo, Legacy Business Program Manager, Office of Small Business:

- a. Bissap Baobab (Application No.: [LBR-2023-24-028](#))
- b. Christopher's Books (Application No.: [LBR-2023-24-036](#))
- c. El Faro Restaurant Inc. (Application No.: [LBR-2023-24-045](#))
- d. The Fly Trap (Application No.: [LBR-2023-24-027](#))
- e. Gallery 444 (Application No.: [LBR-2023-24-049](#))
- f. Java Beach Café (Application No.: [LBR-2023-24-048](#))
- g. Lien Ying Tai Chi Chuan Academy (Application No.: [LBR-2023-24-050](#))
- h. The Ramp Restaurant (Application No.: [LBR-2023-24-046](#))
- i. Rocco's Cafe (Application No.: [LBR-2023-24-034](#))

Public Comment:

- Anita Minot, Owner of Christopher's Books
- Layla Robinson, Christopher's Books
- Melissa Alex Medel, on behalf of Lien Ying Tai Chi Chuan Academy
- Raymunda Ramirez, Owner of El Faro
- Arvin Patel, Owner of the Ramp
- Jaimie, Manager at the Flytrap
- Marco Senghor, Owner of Bissap Baobab
- Patrick Maguire, Owner of Java Beach Cafe

Commissioner Comment: all Commissioners praised the applicants for their long standing businesses

Motion to approve Legacy Business Applications and Resolutions: Dickerson

2nd: Benitez

Aye: Benitez, Cornet, Dickerson, Huie

Absent: Herbert, Ortiz-Cartagena, Zouzounis

Motion Passes 4-0-4

3. Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes (Discussion and Action Item)

Motion to approve meeting minutes for June 24: Huie

2nd: Cornet

Aye: Benitez, Cornet, Dickerson, Huie

Absent: Herbert, Ortiz-Cartagena, Zouzounis

Motion Passes 4-0-4

4. **General Public Comment (Discussion Item)**

No members of the public requested to speak

5. **Director's Report (Discussion Item)**

New Commercial Space Search Tool

- sf.gov/CommercialSpaces
- Launched June 2024
- Covered in SF Chronicle to generate awareness; please help spread the word about the search tool and services

Legislative Update

- Annual Temporary Food Facility permits – BOS approved on first reading last week; final vote on Tuesday, 7/23
- Awning Amnesty Program extension – passed BOS; awaiting 30-day effect period following Mayor's signature

Outreach

- OSB and OEWD continue to conduct in-person outreach in the Tenderloin given new legislation taking effect soon that would restrict the hours of operation for certain types of retail businesses selling alcohol and/or pre-packaged food items.
- This outreach in the Tenderloin is in addition to our regular outreach to businesses citywide.

Heritage Happy Hours

- August 8, 2024: St. Mary's Pub, 3845 Mission St. in District 9
- September 12, 2024: Elixir, 3200 16th St. in District 8.

6. **Commissioner Discussion and New Business (Discussion Item)**

Commissioner Benitez: There is an Art Walk on Divisadero 7/25

Commissioner Huie: Chinatown launched an Artist Registry – applications are open. Praise for OSB from Wrn Fresh on Taraval.

Commissioner Cornet: Talking with community around his business to figure out potential activations.

7. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm