



MINUTES
Liquor Control Board

Wednesday, March 4, 2019, 11:00 a.m.
Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Avenue, Room 2750

Members Present: Mayor Stephen H. Hagerty (Local Liquor Control Commissioner),
Dick Peach

Members Absent: Marion Macbeth

Staff Present: Hugh DuBose (Assistant City Attorney)

Others Present: Rob Anderson, Angie Frank, and Ryan Toulabi

Presiding Member: Local Liquor Control Commissioner Stephen H. Hagerty/Mayor

CALL TO ORDER

The Local Liquor Control Commissioner Stephen Hagerty called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

January 8, 2020

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rob Anderson of the Bahr Anderson Law Group spoke on behalf of Whole Foods to clarify that Whole Foods is not seeking amendments to its licenses to permit the sale of mini bottles of spirits. At the previous Liquor Control Review Board, Mr. Anderson's firm provided draft language for changes to the City's F and F-1 Class Liquor Licenses. Whole Foods is currently a holder of each type of license. Mr. Anderson clarified that Whole Foods is seeking changes to their licenses that would only permit the sale of smaller sizes of wine and beer. Whole Foods seeks this change to provide more variety of products to their customer and continue to make Whole Foods a one stop shopping destination.

NEW BUSINESS

Reza Restaurant, 1557 Sherman Avenue

Ryan Toulabi and Angie Frank appeared on behalf of Reza Restaurant. Mr. Toulabi is requesting an increase in the Class C Liquor License.

Mr. Toulabi the owner and operator of Reza Restaurant in Chicago and Oak Brook. He has worked most of his life with his father in the restaurant, which has been open since

1983. Reza will concentrate on Persian and Mediterranean food. He will continue to operate the tap room (previously part of Pete Miller's) with high end craft beers, but rebrand it. He is hoping to open by the end of the month.

He has not had any issues with his liquor license at other locations. They check IDs and make sure people are not over indulging.

All members voted in favor of recommending approval of the application and sending it to City Council. The ordinance will be introduced at the March 23, 2019 City Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the Local Liquor Control Commissioner Stephen H. Hagerty, Mayor, at 11:25 a.m. March 4, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hugh DuBose
Assistant City Attorney, Law Department