

CITY OF SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS LICENSING BOARD

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LICENSING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Salem Licensing Board was held on Friday, June 5, 2020 at 11:00 a.m., via ZOOM, an online video conference call system. Present on call were: Chairman Gary Barrett, member Deb Greel and City Solicitor Elizabeth Rennard. Absent was Special Investigator to the Board, Sgt. John Doyle, and Melissa Pagliaro, Clerk

- 1. Application to Amend Entertainment License to allow live music on the outdoor patio. Applicant: Brodies Seaport, 215 Derby Street.
 - Following a discussion with owner Joel Votto and abutting residents concerned with noise generating from outdoor entertainment, the Board voted (2 in favor 0 opposed) to allow an amendment to the Entertainment License to allow live outdoor acoustic music, subject to guidance from the Commonwealth of MA and the local Board of health relative to physical distancing, for a trial period only. The Board shall entertain a longer term license at the end of the trial period concluding August 31, 2020. Acoustic music shall be allowed Friday through Sunday and must conclude prior to 9pm.
- 2. Board to vote on Alteration of Premise for restaurants to provide outdoor seating. Eligible restaurants include those with indoor seating.
 - City Solicitor Elizabeth Rennard updated the Board about the City's efforts to expand outdoor dining. Cities have been given the authority by the State to expand seating for liquor licensed premises without prior approval from the State's Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission. The City has prepared applications and distributed them to restaurants. Restaurants have submitted plans and the City is assisting with jersey barriers and closing off parking spaces in some cases. The Solicitor shall lead a team of City officials including the Police Traffic Officer, Parking Director, Health Agent, SRA staff planner, DPS Asst. Director and Licensing Clerk to review the applications. The Solicitor asked the Board to authorize her, on behalf of the Board, to approve the extension of premises for outdoor seating. The Board voted to allow the Solicitor to approve extensions and to issue license agreements and amended liquor licenses to restaurants. The vote was 2-0.
- 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from meeting on May 18, 2020. Vote continued to future meeting.
- 4. New Business/Old Business None
- 5. Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.

Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth Rennard