

**BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021
REGULAR TELECONFERENCE MEETING**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**– Chair Saltzman called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**– Chair Saltzman led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Commissioner Alden
Commissioner Eisenberg
Commissioner Lo
Commissioner Yusupov
Vice-Chair Matos
Chair Saltzman

ABSENT: Commissioner Vulin

ALSO PRESENT: Code Compliance Manager, Danny Rivas
Code Compliance Supervisor, Yessica Benitez
Code Compliance Specialist, Ana Hernandez
Senior Code Enforcement Officer, Jeff Jones
Community and Legislative Affairs Manager, John Leonard
City Attorney, Lauren Langer
Director of Public Works, Jackie Rocco

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
SUBJECT: The West Hollywood Business License Commission is requested to approve the agenda.

ACTION: Approve the agenda for Tuesday, November 2, 2021.
Motion by Vice-Chair Matos, seconded by Commissioner Yusupov and approved.
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
SUBJECT: The West Hollywood Business License Commission is requested to approve the Minutes of the previous Business License Commission Meeting of Tuesday, October 12, 2021.

ACTION: Approve the minutes of Tuesday, October 12, 2021.
Motion by Vice-Chair Matos, seconded by Commissioner Yusupov and approved.
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
SCOTT SCHMIDT, extended an invitation to their new West Hollywood business.

7. PUBLIC HEARING

A. APPLICATION BY PDLP JV, LLC TO RELOCATE CANNABIS ADULT-USE RETAIL (LICENSE CAU-000008), CANNABIS MEDICAL USE DISPENSARY (LICENSE CMU-000005), CANNABIS CONSUMPTION AREA (SMOKING, VAPING, EDIBLES) (LICENSE CCA-000005) AND CANNABIS DELIVERY SERVICE (LICENSE CDW-000005) BUSINESS LICENSES FROM 8555 SUNSET BOULEVARD TO 8477-8493 SUNSET BOULEVARD FOR THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS GREENWOLF

SUBJECT: The West Hollywood Business License Commission shall conduct a public hearing to consider the application by PDLP JV, LLC “Greenwolf” to relocate the Cannabis Adult-Use Retail, Cannabis Medical Use Dispensary, Cannabis Consumption Area (Smoking, Vaping, Edibles) and Cannabis Delivery Service Business Licenses from 8555 Sunset Boulevard to 8477-8493 Sunset Boulevard.

Chair Saltzman opened the public hearing and asked for the Commission’s disclosures.

Code Compliance Specialist, Ana Hernandez, informed the Commission that all notices were posted at the City’s three legally required posting locations and mailed to occupants within a 500-foot radius of the business.

Compliance Supervisor, Yessica Benitez, presented the staff report dated November 2, 2021.

APPLICANT, SOL YAMINI, APPLICANT’S ATTORNEY, SEAN MADDOCKS, and PROJECT ARCHITECT, MCSHANE MURNANE, provided a presentation regarding their business plan and operation.

Vice-Chair Matos, requested to know if the outdoor smoking area is entirely enclosed. APPLICANT, SOL YAMINI and APPLICANT’S ATTORNEY SEAN MADDOCKS responded.

Commissioner Yusupov, requested to know if there were operational changes and inquired about any foreseeable impacts to the residential neighborhoods. APPLICANT ATTORNEY, SEAN MADDOCKS responded.

Commissioner Lo, requested to know what prompted a relocation. APPLICANT SOL YAMINI, responded.

Commissioner Eisenberg, requested to know if Pink Dot was part of the project. APPLICANT’S ATTORNEY, SEAN MADDOCKS, responded

FARHAD ESHAGHPOUR, spoke in support of item 7A.

DIMITRI KERMANI, spoke in support of item 7A.

BRIAN LEVIAN, spoke in support of item 7A.

GENEVIEVE MORRILL, spoke in support of item 7A.

JAKE STEVENS, spoke in support of item 7A.

TRACY PAASO, spoke in support of item 7A.

COBBY POURTOVOSI, spoke in support of item 7A.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. BLC-21-0001, "A RESOLUTION OF THE BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING CANNABIS ADULT-USE RETAIL (LICENSE CAU-000008), CANNABIS MEDICAL-USE DISPENSARY (LICENSE CMU-000005), CANNABIS CONSUMPTION AREA (SMOKING, VAPING, EDIBLES) (LICENSE CCA-000005) AND CANNABIS DELIVERY SERVICE (LICENSE CDW-000006) FOR THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS GREENWOLF WEST HOLLYWOOD LOCATED AT 8555 SUNSET BOULEVARD." (Attachment A)

Motion by Commissioner Alden, seconded by Commissioner Lo and approved.

B. APPLICATION BY DOOR NUMBER SIX, LLC TO RELOCATE THE CANNABIS CONSUMPTION AREA (EDIBLES) LICENSE #CCE-000002 FROM 8228 SUNSET BOULEVARD TO 8240 SUNSET BOULEVARD, FOR THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS MOEDER

SUBJECT: The West Hollywood Business License Commission shall conduct a public hearing to consider the application by Door Number Six, LLC to relocate the Cannabis Consumption Area (Edibles) operation from 8228 Sunset Boulevard to 8240 Sunset Boulevard, for the business known as Moeder.

RECOMMENDATION: Continuance of this item to December 7, 2021. **Motion by Commissioner Eisenberg, seconded by Commissioner Yusupov and approved.**

C. A VARIANCE REQUEST TO TRANSFER A COMBINED EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT OWNERSHIP OF THE CANNABIS ADULT-USE RETAIL, CANNABIS CONSUMPTION AREA (EDIBLES) AND CANNABIS DELIVERY BUSINESS LICENSES FOR THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS MONICA'S HOUSE AT 8271 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD

SUBJECT: West Hollywood Business License Commission shall conduct a public hearing to consider a variance request from Monica's House to allow the combined transfer of eighty-five percent ownership in the Cannabis Adult-Use Retail, Cannabis Consumption Area (Edibles) and Cannabis Delivery Business Licenses to existing business partners and two new owners.

Chair Saltzman opened the public hearing and asked for the Commission's disclosures.

Code Compliance Specialist, Ana Hernandez, informed the Commission that all notices were posted at the City's three legally required posting locations and mailed to occupants within a 500-foot radius of the business.

Compliance Supervisor, Yessica Benitez, presented the staff report dated November 2, 2021.

APPLICANT, JON LOCARNI addressed the Commission regarding their request.

GENEVIEVE MORRILL, spoke in support of item 7C.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. BLC21-0019, "A RESOLUTION OF THE BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING THE COMBINED TRANSFER OF EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE OWNERSHIP FOR THE CANNABIS ADULT-USE RETAIL LICENSE #CAU-000006, CANNABIS CONSUMPTION AREA (EDIBLES) LICENSE #CCA-000003 AND CANNABIS DELIVERY SERVICE LICENSE #CDW-000005 FOR THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS MONICA'S HOUSE." (Attachment A).

Motion by Vice-Chair Matos, seconded Commissioner Alden and approved.

D. AN APPLICATION BY PRINCE STREET PIZZA FOR AN EXTENDED HOUR BUSINESS LICENSE LOCATED AT 9161 SUNSET BOULEVARD

SUBJECT: The West Hollywood Business License Commission shall conduct a public hearing to consider the application for an Extended Hour Business License at an existing restaurant known as Prince Street Pizza, located at 9161 Sunset Boulevard.

RECOMMENDATION: Continuance of this item to December 7, 2021. **Motion by Commissioner Eisenberg, seconded by Commissioner Lo and approved.**

8. SPECIAL ITEMS

None.

9. NEW BUSINESS

None.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. UPDATE ON THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH ORDER AND THE CONTINUED EFFORTS TAKEN BY THE CITY TO SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

SUBJECT: The West Hollywood Business License Commission will receive an update regarding the Los Angeles County Health Order and the City's efforts to support local business affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Code Compliance Manager, Danny Rivas, reported on the monthly Officer Health Order updates and provided background information as provided in the staff report dated Tuesday, November 2, 2021.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

11. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Code Compliance Manager, Danny Rivas, provided a brief overview of the Code Compliance Enforcement efforts during the weekend and Halloween 2021.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

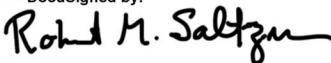
13. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

None.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The West Hollywood Business License Commission adjourned at 7:15 p.m. to its next meeting, to be held on Tuesday, December 7, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., via teleconference.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Business License Commission of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting the 7th day of December 2021.

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ROBERT SALTZMAN, CHAIR

ATTEST:



**ANA HERNANDEZ
ACTING COMMISSION SECRETARY**