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## **SPECIAL SAFETY SERVICES & LICENSES COMMITTEE**

Special meeting of the Safety Services and Licenses Committee was held on Thursday, January 12, 2017 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

### **I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 P.M. by the Chair.

Present: Councilman Christopher G. Paplauskas, Chair  
Council Vice-President Michael W. Favicchio, Vice-Chair  
Councilman Trent M. Colford, Sr.  
Councilman Kenneth J. Hopkins  
Councilman John E. Lanni, Jr.  
Councilman Steven A. Stycos  
Council President Michael J Farina

Also Present: Councilman Paul H. Archetto  
Councilman Paul J. McAuley  
Major Robert Quirk, Police Department  
Deputy Chief, Stephen MacIntosh, Fire Department  
Christopher Rawson, City Solicitor  
J. Patrick O'Neill, Assistant City Solicitor  
Maria Medeiros Wall, City Clerk  
Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees  
Heather Finger, Stenographer

### **II. Red Lounge**

**355 Dyer Avenue**

**Revised Business Plan – restaurant operation only, 11 p.m. closing**  
**Relief from Police Detail & Security detail except for special events**  
**Revised security plan for special events**  
**Outstanding Police Detail invoices – plan for repayment**

**Jorge and Victor Delgadillo**, owners of the establishment, were present.

**Jorge Delgadillo** stated that they are looking to open as a restaurant from 11 am to 11 pm Sundays thru Fridays and have events certain times and if the Committee requests Police Detail and security for the vents, they are fine with that. He also stated that they would like to be open until 1 am on Saturdays.

**Major Quirk** addressed the security plan and the Police Department's opinion. He stated that he just received a copy of the plan prior to this meeting and the Police Department has a lot of questions and concerns about the company mentioned in the plan. They know nothing about this company of whether they are licensed or what experience they have. He checked with the person who handles the Detail at the Police Department and as of today, this establishment owes \$5,050 for Detail to the City of Cranston Police Department. He has spoken to Colonel Winqvist about this and he has the same concerns. The Police Department at this time has no problem if the security company were to meet with the Police Department and present a plan similar to the way Northeast Security did and the Police Department can ask questions.

**Councilman Lanni** asked Mr. Delgadillo what their plans are on paying the Police Department for the detail. Jorge Delgadillo stated that he can pay \$2,000 as first payment and approximately \$1,000 per month after that. Councilman Lanni stated that his concern is if this business goes bankrupt, the City is out of thousands of dollars similar to what happened to the former Jimmy D's Restaurant.

**Council Vice-President Favicchio** asked what types of events will be held on January 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. Jorge Delgadillo stated that instructors will go in and teach people how to dance, mostly for older crowds. Council Vice-President Favicchio indicated to the menu provided this evening and asked if this is the menu that will be used. Jorge Delgadillo stated, yes, for now. Council Vice-President Favicchio stated that this menu is more off a bar menu.

**Council President Farina** stressed that a list of events be submitted every month before the Council meeting and if every event needs to have Detail ordered.

**Councilman Hopkins** asked Mr. Delgadillo how many Fridays he's looking to be open late. This is an issue that needs to be cleared up. Mr. Delgadillo stated that this is why he would be submitting a list. If there are no events, there will be no Fridays that he would be open late. Councilman Hopkins stated that he is concerned about the overdue bill to the Police Department.

**Councilman Stycos** agreed with Councilman Hopkins and referred to the suggestion made by Attorney Lepizzera at the last meeting of placing a lien on the business and he suggested that this be made a condition.

**Councilman Colford** agreed that placing a lien should be a condition so it would protect the City's interest.

Council President Farina motioned to allow applicant to open 11-11 every day including Saturdays without Detail until the security firm is reviewed and spoken to by the Police Department and applicant make down payment of \$2,000 with \$1,000 a month and this be reviewed at the January 23<sup>rd</sup> City Council meeting. Council Vice-President Favicchio seconded the motion.

Under Discussion:

**Council Vice-President Favicchio** stated that this would eliminate events for January 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> and would not be allowed to be held.

Roll call was taken on above motion and motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rosalba Zanni".

Rosalba Zanni  
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees

CITY OF CRANSTON

Ex. # 1 Sub: Red Lounge  
Sp. Safety Review 1-12-17  
By: Jorge Belgadillo  
Re: Red Lounge



Wings

Cajun dry rub, Buffalo, Agave Chipotle, Bourbon,  
Teriyaki, Garlic & Onion, Buffaque, or BBQ

6 (à) \$6.75 , 12 (à) \$11.50, or 18 (à) \$16.25

Nachos

Pulled Pork, Buffalo Chicken, or Beef \$9.95

Loaded Fries

Choose from bacon, chopped onion, jalapenos, and cheese, \$8.95  
Add ground beef \$1.00

Grilled Pizza

Chourico, Onion, & Roasted  
Red Pepper \$11.00

Buffalo Chicken \$10.50

BBQ Chicken \$10.50

Pepperoni and cheese \$10.00

Cheese \$9.00

Mushroom and Cheese \$10.00

Burgers (includes fries)

Pulled Pork \$9.25

Double Barrel (two patties,  
bourbon glaze, w/bacon \$9.50

Bacon Cheeseburger \$7.25

Plain Jain \$6.75

Peanut Butter and  
Jalepeno \$7.25



**Build Your Own Quesadillas**

Choose beef, chicken, or pork \$8.95

add onion, beans, mushroom, green peppers,  
jalepenos, or roasted red pepper (.50 cents each)

**Sandwiches (includes fries)**

Turkey Club \$9.25

Grilled Chicken \$8.50

Buffalo Chicken Wrap \$8.50

B.L.T. \$7.95

Grilled Cheese 6.95  
(add bacon \$1.50, add tomato .50)

**Grilled Stuffed Burrito**

Beef, Chicken, or Pork \$9.95



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**Red Lounge Restaurant  
Business Plan**

The reason for our wanting to change our business plan is because if we choose to be more like a club like how we were before, there are many risks that come along with it. We want to try and distance ourselves a little from the loud, partying club environment and instead make Red Lounge to be more of a relaxed lounge environment where people can have some drinks and food. To do that, we need to open earlier and open more days. We do want to keep our entertainment license and use it on Saturdays and for some public special events.

Goal

Our main goal at Red Lounge is to focus on being more of a bar/restaurant rather than a club, with the exception of every Saturday and for public special events on Fridays which the city will be notified a month ahead.

Hours of Operation

Sunday	11am - 11pm
Monday	11am - 11pm
Tuesday	11am - 11pm
Wednesday	11am - 11pm
Thursday	11am - 11pm
Friday	11am - 11pm (1am on certain days)
Saturday	11am - 1am

Restaurant

To start off we will be serving bar food, but our plan is to serve dishes that have South American flavor like Churrasco Argentino and more.

Security

On nights that we are open until 1am, Red Lounge will be using C.L.E.A.R. UNIT Security Services along with the police detail, and following the attached security plan.

NOTE: We want to make arrangements to pay the current balance owed to the Cranston Police Department at \$1000 a month until it is paid off. Also, we already have two events that have been planned for January 20<sup>th</sup> and January 21<sup>st</sup> and would like to be open until 1am following the security plan that's put in place.

The security plan that you will be reading is meant to provide a solid understanding of all aspects of the lounge safety, security, and want for change. C.L.E.A.R UNIT and Ownership's main goal in the long run is to work better with the clientele. The adjustments to the security plan we have made in the past will be the same with C.L.E.A.R UNIT. . We honestly feel that with our security plan in motion that not only Red Lounge will be happy but most important something the City of Cranston will appreciate. In the Following you will see our entire security elements broke down into sections, and policies.

All Door staff will be trained to recognize "fakes". All identification cards used to prove age will be valid, and must be government Issued. If the I.D. is expired or doesn't appear valid, a second form of identification will be requested. The door personnel will always make sure that there is a photo on I.D

For live events, pre-sale and day-of-sale ticket sales shall not exceed capacity. Handheld Counters will be used by our outside staff at all times while open. To make sure we don't exceed capacity. Door Personnel are pre-warned and know that that might be working in poor weather conditions. Strict Dress Code will be enforced. Floor staff are constantly observed by management, and never left alone anywhere. Policies are in place to fill station spots if a spot is temporarily unattended.

The plan in place is to start the night with 2 security guards since the nights have been slow. As the night progresses, should it seem like more security is needed we can call in extra guards. Security will be actively securing the parking area(s) and sidewalk starting at least 15 minutes before closing time, and continuing until all patrons and employees have left. Our staff will be encouraging patrons to leave safely. Also watching for intoxicated clientele trying to drive. This is especially critical if there have been issues earlier in the night. The visible presence of security may deter incidents from happening, or, if not deterred, security is then in a position to call the police and intervene as appropriate. If large numbers of patrons leaving at the same time have caused traffic or other problems for the police, club management will contact and work with law enforcement to arrive at workable solutions to the problem. We realize that the management that fails to do so may incur the opposition, rather than the cooperation, of the police. On top of the security in place at the end of the night, we will periodically have security personnel take random spot checks of the entire property to ensure that the whole establishment is safe.

-The valet will be changing protocol a bit to make sure people exiting is expedited.

-Very end of night clear out will be done by full staff spread out over 100yards in every direction. This is the most effective way to maintain the whole street and also keep an eye and communication on all issues or potential issues. Two staff will stay inside to secure the entire building and to protect staff.

-We have had a policy put in place about calling local municipal if ever a serious issue occurs again either medical or violent.

Video Cameras are mounted to cover the entrance, exits and some floor and parking lot areas. Records will be made available upon request of the local Police and only by management.

-It will be up to the Security manager to log and record any incidents in the Daily incident report book, which will be made ready for Ownership, or local law enforcement.

Our security personnel will never use any sort of chemical weapons such as mace or pepper spray unless an absolute riot breaks out. In this case only the manager will be the one administering and he will of course be certified in said state. We have found that more crowded bars/clubs, where nearby patrons have the potential be sprayed or affected by their use can cause panic and injury may result.

-It should go without saying but if a patron, even an intoxicated, obnoxious and combative patron, is injured, they will be offered medical attention, by calling 911, or EMS. If the person is unconscious, medical help will always be called for them. We will never eject a visibly injured person from the establishment without first offering to help them obtain medical treatment. Even if the offer is rejected, we will still be appropriate to call EMS and let the injured patron personally decline their services. This is a case-by-case management decision. A written report will be prepared in all such cases, especially if an injured person refuses medical attention.

-If a patron refuses verbal requests or commands to leave after management has requested he or she leave, or fails to promptly leave the property after exiting the club the individual should first be warned that the police will be called if they don't leave. If they don't then promptly leave, the police will be called. Also, if a patron physically resists removal, or won't leave the parking lot the police will be called and the patron will be arrested. On-duty management, however, will have to make the decision to criminally prosecute the individual for trespass before the police are called.