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DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PLANNING & LAND USE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Little Tokyo Branch Library
203 S. Los Angeles Street Los Angeles, CA 90012
Tuesday, March 19, 2024 - 6:30 PM

Contact: Samir.bitar@dlanc.com for more information

Si requiere servicios de traducción, favor de avisar al Concejo Vecinal 3 días de trabajo (72 horas) antes del evento. Por favor contacte Secretaria Debby Zhou por correo electrónico debby.zhou@dlanc.com para avisar al Concejo Vecinal.

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Instructions on how to sign up for public comment will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER AND COMMITTEE ROLL CALL

Samir Bitar – Chair	
Patti Berman	
Tyler Murphy	
Christian Dittmer	
Michael Robleto	
Reeyan Raynes	
John Swartz	
Justin Weiss	
VACANT	
Audrey von Ahrens	
Justin Weiss	

1. Committee Member Introductions
2. Chairman’s Announcements
3. Approve Minutes from 2/2023
4. Report on last DLANC Board Meeting concerning items presented by PLUC.
5. Declarations of Ex Parte communications

6. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT** - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Committee’s subject matter jurisdiction. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Committee’s jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Committee is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period: however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Committee meeting. Public comments are limited to two minutes per speaker with a total time of ten minutes. (The chair, depending on number of speakers and time considerations, may change these parameters.)

7. **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS** - Committee members are asked to keep their comments brief and relevant to the topic or project being discussed. Committee member comments will be limited to two minutes and all committee members will be given the opportunity to make a comment before additional comments are provided by committee members.

8. **OLD BUSINESS –**

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. **Presentation by:** Liliger Damaso - Liquor License Brokers (Sam Sleiman / 424-310-4511 / mrsamsleiman@gmail.com)

Case Number: [ZA-2023-8378-CUB](#)

Project Location: 1415 S. Los Angeles St. STE #C, Los Angeles, CA 90015

Project Description: A CUB for the sale and dispensing of full-line of alcoholic drinks in conjunction with a purposed comedy club sitting up to 225 seats operating from 11am-2am, situated in the South Park neighborhood.

Project Requests: Letter in Support of CUB - Conditional Use Beverage – alcohol - Type 48 (full liquor without food service)

Recommended action: To be Determined.

- b. Discussion and Possible Action to draft a letter in support of applicant's petition under the City's new Restaurant Beverage Program (RBP) ([Ordinance Number 187402](#)) for an [ABC 41 License](#).

Project Location: 311 W 6th St. Los Angeles (Chicken and Salt)

Project Description: For the sale of beer and wine for consumption on or off the premises where sold. Distilled spirits will not be on the premises (except brandy, rum, or liqueurs for use solely for cooking purposes). Will continue to operate and maintain the restaurant-licensed premises as a bona fide eating place, which includes maintaining current kitchen facilities.

Project Requests: Letter in Support of ABC 41

- c. ***Discussion and possible action on Cannabis-related [Public Convenience or Necessity \(PCN\)](#) requests:***

i. [CF24-0420-S2](#)

Business Premises Location: 2043 Imperial St. LA 90021
Community Plan Area: Central North CD : 14
Applicant Entity Name: TBM Management Group Inc.
Contact Name: Alexia Valencia / Anahi Tellez

Applicant Email: TBM.mgmt.group@gmail.com
Phone Number: 626-641-5107
Square footage: 14,449
Proposed hours of operation 10a – 10p, 7 days a week

Explain how this request meets one or more of the City Council’s public convenience or necessity standards pursuant to City Council’s adopted Resolution (attach and number additional pages if necessary):

There are no retail storefronts surrounding our proposed retail storefront. Many are clustered together throughout the community plan. As the number of residents has increased, there is a need for more retail storefronts.

Homelessness and crime have transformed Central North Community plan into a disheartening state. The security provided by a cannabis storefront will combat crime and homelessness. Exterior lighting and cameras will assist LAPD by reducing crime in the surrounding area. There are many new restaurants, bars and nightlife in Central North community plan. The revenue from cannabis tax would boost the local economy.

ii. **CF24-0420-S4**

Business Premises Location: 202 East Pico Boulevard, LA 90015
Community Plan Area: Central North CD : 14
Applicant Entity Name: Arsen Martirosyan
Contact Name: Alexia Valencia / Anahi Tellez
Applicant Email: martirosyan.arsen@gmail.com
Phone Number: 424-330-4703
Square Feet: 2800
Proposed Hours: 9a - 10p 7 days a week

Explain how this request meets one or more of the City Council’s public convenience or necessity standards pursuant to City Council’s adopted Resolution (attach and number additional pages if necessary):

*Social equity individual applicant Arsen ("Art") Martirosyan has an extensive background in the medical cannabis industry. Art moved to America with his family from Armenia when he was two years old. Art Martirosyan began working with nonprofit medical cannabis collectives in 2007 after he graduated from high school and developed skills working with the nonprofit patient collectives both as a medical cannabis cultivator and running a nonprofit medical cannabis dispensary where patients could lawfully obtain medical marijuana before the state and local cannabis licensing systems existed.
[CONTINUED in APPENDIX S4]*

iii. [CF24-0420-S7](#)

Business Premises Location: 1316 B South Los Angeles Street LA 90015
Community Plan Area: Central North CD : 14
Applicant Entity Name: LACC, LLC
Contact Name: Alfred Abramian
Applicant Email: alfredthegood@gmail.com
Phone Number: (818) 625-7854
Square Feet: 2,700
Proposed Hours: M-F 6a – 10p
Sat 8a – 10p
Sun 10a – 10p

Explain how this request meets one or more of the City Council’s public convenience or necessity standards pursuant to City Council’s adopted Resolution (attach and number additional pages if necessary):

First, LACC, LLC will promote public safety. The CENTRAL CITY Community Plan Area is an integral part of the City of Los Angeles’ community that is home to thousands of residents, hundreds of businesses and an attraction to hundreds of thousands of visitors, shoppers and diners throughout the year. It is also home to several dozen illegal cannabis businesses who operate without any regulation and in flagrant disregard of the law. In sharp contrast, LACC, LLC will strictly enforce all public safety requirements and will only market and sell safe and legal cannabis that has been tested to persons who can legally purchase such cannabis. [CONTINUED in APPENDIX S7]

iv. DCR Record No.: LA-R-24-101775-ANN

Applicant Name: Advanced Patients' Collective

Business Premises Address: 735 S BROADWAY AVE LOS ANGELES, CA 90014

Activities Requested: Retailer Storefront (Type 10)

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11. Committee Member Comments and Announcements
12. Proposed delivery dates – Motions, Letters and Minutes 3/28/2024.
13. Next Meeting(s): April 16, 2024 – Tokyo Branch Library
14. Adjournment

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CONSENT ITEMS: *There will be no separate discussion of Consent items as they are considered routine and will be adopted by one motion. If a member of the Board, Committee, or a stakeholder requests discussion on a particular item, that item will be removed from Consent and considered separately. Such items will be moved to the end of the agenda.*

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