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HUDSON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING : TRANSCRIPT OF
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Union City, New Jersey

Tuesday, March 15, 2022
Commencing at 7:06 p.m.

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CELIN J. VALDIVIA, COMMISSIONER
BRIAN P. STACK, MAYOR

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1 (Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance was
2 recited.)

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4 MS. ROSARIO: This meeting has been
5 called in accordance with the Open Public Meetings
6 Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been
7 provided to The Jersey Journal, The Record, The
8 Hudson Reporter, has been posted on the bulletin
9 board in the City Hall and has been made available
10 to the public in the Office of the Municipal
11 Clerk.

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13 **ROLL CALL:**

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15 MS. ROSARIO: Roll call. Commissioner
16 Fernandez.

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Here.

18 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Grullon is
19 absent.

20 Commissioner Valdivia.

21 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Here.

22 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

23 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Here.

24 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

25 MAYOR STACK: Here. Commissioner

1 Grullon had a family emergency, that's why she's
2 not here tonight.

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4 **SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

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6 MS. ROSARIO: First item, special
7 presentation. Official proclamation to recognize
8 June as men's health month.

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11 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
12 action on the following items in total:

13 **CONSENT AGENDA:**

14 (1) Resolution Approving the Payment of Claims

15 (2) Resolution Approving the Payment of
16 Concurring Claims

17 (3) Resolution Approving the City Payroll
18 2-12-22/2-25-22

19 (4) Resolution Approving the Library Payroll
20 2-12-22/2-25-22

21 (5) Resolution Approving the Escrow Refunds

22 (6) Resolution Authorizing the City of Union City
23 to Enter Into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement

24 (7) Resolution Authorizing the Tax Collection to
25 Hold an Accelerated Tax Sale

- 1 (8) Resolution Authorizing Tax Sale Fees
- 2 (9) Resolution Authorizing Refund of Redemption
- 3 Monies to Outside Lienholders
- 4 (10) Resolution Authorizing a Contract With
- 5 Realauction.Com, LLC For Electronic Tax Lien
- 6 Certificate Sale Service
- 7 (11) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of an
- 8 Incorrect Payment
- 9 (12) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of a
- 10 Duplicate Payment
- 11 (13) Resolution Authorizing Electronic Tax Sale
- 12 (14) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of Premium
- 13 Monies Collected At the Tax Sale
- 14 (15) Resolution Cancelling Unclaimed Tax Credits
- 15 Due to Properties That No Longer Exist
- 16 (16) Resolution Authorizing Crediting the Tax
- 17 Appeal Decisions By the Tax Court of New Jersey
- 18 (17) Resolution Authorizing Crediting the Tax
- 19 Appeal Decisions By the Hudson County Board of
- 20 Taxation
- 21 (18) Resolution Appointing Kennedy Ng As Rent
- 22 Regulation Officer
- 23 (19) Resolution Approving the PVSC Power Plant
- 24 Proposal in Newark
- 25 (20) Resolution Approving New Jersey

1 Intergovernmental Insurance Fund (Indemnity and
2 Trust Agreement)

3 (21) Resolution Approving to Advertise For Bid For
4 the Bergenline Avenue Streetscape Improvements,
5 Phase I

6 (22) Resolution Approving to Advertise For Bid For
7 the Pool & Spray Grounds Opening, Maintenance &
8 Closing

9 (23) Resolution Approving to Advertise For Bid For
10 the Chlorine & Pool Chemicals

11 (24) Resolution Approving to Advertise For Bid
12 Central Avenue Corridor Improvements

13 (25) Resolution Approving to Advertise For Bid
14 Summit Avenue & 19th Street Resurfacing

15 (26) Authorizing City Clerk to Advertise For Bids
16 For General Printing Services

17 (27) Resolution Authorizing Receipt of Bids For
18 Signs and Banners

19 (28) Resolution Authorizing a Shared Services
20 Agreement Between the City of Union City and the
21 Union City Board of Education Pertaining to the
22 Storage and Repair of Police Vehicles At 2214
23 Kennedy Boulevard

24 (29) Resolution Amending Resolution of the Board
25 of Commissioner of the City of Union City

1 Approving the 2017-2018 Renewal of Liquor License
2 No. 0910-33-041-005 Issued to R.G. Miranda Corp.
3 (T/a El Cuco)

4 (30) Resolution Amending Resolution of the Board
5 of Commissioners of the City of Union City

6 Approving the 2018-2019 Renewal of Liquor License
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10 of Commissioner of the City of Union City

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14 (32) Resolution of the Board of Commissioner of
15 the City of Union City Approving the 2021-2022
16 Renewal of Liquor License No. 0910-33-166-006
17 Issued to 2216 Bergenline Avenue, LLC, (T/a Centro
18 Bar) Nunc Pro Tunc to June 30, 2021

19 (33) Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of
20 the City of Union City Approving the 2021-2022
21 Renewal of R.G. Enterprise Entertainment, Inc.
22 (T/a Therapy Lounge) Liquor License No.
23 0910-33-134-006.)

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25 MS. ROSARIO: Next item is the consent

1 agenda.

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3 Claims.

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5 Concurring Claims.

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14 0910-33-134-006.

15 Motion to --

16 MAYOR STACK: Anyone wishing to comment
17 on the consent agenda, please step forward, state
18 your name and address for the record.

19 Just before we vote on this, I'd just
20 like to thank the Commissioners again for moving
21 100 percent of our meetings throughout our
22 community in the evening hours.

23 I thank the mosque for allowing us to
24 holding the meeting here today. In fact, I was
25 here this morning with the mobile constituent day

1 earlier today. So I thank them for always opening
2 the doors here and being a true friend and
3 neighbor to all of the community. The mosque,
4 long before I was the mayor of Union City, just a
5 side note, was always the first when there was an
6 issue in the area, whether it be a fire, or people
7 need of relocation to let people come in here and
8 stay here. Truly a great friend to the community,
9 truly a great friend.

10 I'd like to also point out the
11 Commissioners and myself are working on various
12 projects in Union City right now. In the uptown
13 area, we're doing 30 to 49 Palisade Avenue
14 sidewalks and streetscape, that will be -- the
15 street will be paved on Palisade Avenue, we're
16 installing bike lanes, decorative street lighting,
17 tree planting.

18 In addition to that, Bergenline Avenue,
19 we'll be doing the same from 39 to 49. This year,
20 we'll be starting on 49th, coming southbound down
21 to 43rd. I think we're able to get the money for
22 the rest of the project, so we might be able to do
23 all the way down to 30th Street this year.

24 In addition to that, we have a new
25 street coming in on Peter Street, between 32nd and

1 34th, Commissioner Fernandez has been working with
2 me on that project. We're also working on another
3 project on 21 to 35 Central Avenue, major
4 streetscape project, we're working on that. We
5 also have the uptown soccer field and small park
6 coming to 41st and Palisade Avenue. We just
7 received additional funding on that project last
8 week.

9 We have many different things going on,
10 many streets are being paved in the uptown area,
11 right in this neighborhood, right around here.
12 The library also, Commissioner Valdivia just
13 reminded me we're putting a brand new addition on
14 the library at 43rd and New York Avenue. So
15 there's a lot of activity taking place over the
16 next several years in this neighborhood.

17 Having said that, anyone wishing to
18 comment on the consent agenda that the clerk read
19 into the record, please step forward, state your
20 name and address for the record. This is just on
21 the consent items that we just read into the
22 agenda. If anything that's not related to this,
23 we'll take additional comment at the end of the
24 meeting.

25 MS. NDOYE: I did arrive a bit late, so

1 could I ask if I make a quick comment about the
2 PVSC resolution, this is the time to --

3 MAYOR STACK: Sure. Just come over here
4 and stand over here. If you can just say your
5 name and address for the record.

6 MS. NDOYE: Absolutely. My name is
7 Elizabeth Ndoye. It is spelled N, as in Nathan, D
8 as in David, O-Y-E. I live at 235 Garden Street,
9 Hoboken.

10 Good evening, my name is Liz Ndoye, I'm
11 a resident of Hoboken and a member of the Hoboken
12 Democratic Committee and also the environmental
13 coalition, Don't Gas the Meadowlands. I'm here
14 tonight speaking in support of the residents of
15 the Ironbound and all of Newark. I'm urging the
16 Union City council to stop or help stop the
17 construction of the proposed Passaic Valley
18 Sewerage Authority natural gas power plant. This
19 project poses tremendous health risks for the
20 residents of the Ironbound, all the residents of
21 greater Newark, and all the residents of the
22 cities and municipalities in Essex and Hudson
23 Counties. Your great city has been repeatedly
24 dumped on by polluters, it's time to make it stop.

25 The PVSC plant will fill the area of

1 Hudson County with horrific odors right at the
2 door step of several daycare centers, schools, and
3 thousands of residents. The lives of Union City's
4 most vulnerable residents will be exposed to still
5 greater adverse environmental health risks if PVSC
6 is allowed to build this plant. The elderly, the
7 very young, expectant mothers, and the unborn and
8 the sick who are already facing life and death
9 issues will be further burdened by PVSC's plans.

10 While we acknowledge that PVSC has
11 worked with us, our environmental coalition, they
12 have not done enough. They're not seeking to use
13 a hybrid solution and they have not come up with a
14 clean energy plan. They need to completely and
15 thoroughly research and assess the use of multiple
16 technologies and storage innovation to create a
17 hybrid micro grid rather than relying on one
18 source of energy and fossil fuels to power their
19 plant.

20 Lives are at stake here and PVSC must
21 not be allowed to use natural gas and endanger the
22 security and wellbeing of your community. Senate
23 law S-232, the New Jersey environmental justice
24 law must be followed and abided by. Taxpayer
25 money must be used to protect our low income

1 residents and communities of color, not further
2 punish them.

3 We need PVSC to pull their application
4 for their air permit and commit to using only
5 clean energy for their proposed power plant. We
6 need you, the Union City Council, to save the
7 lives of your residents and improve the quality of
8 their lives.

9 I call on the Union City Council to do
10 the right thing and stand up for environmental
11 justice. People are dying and you have the power
12 to save their lives. Stop this unjust and
13 hazardous project. Please vote against it.

14 I'm proud to saw that my City of Hoboken
15 has passed a resolution against this plant and I
16 hope that Union City will do so as well tonight.
17 Thank you for your time and for allowing me to
18 speak.

19 MAYOR STACK: Thank you for coming to
20 the meeting. On behalf of the Commissioners and
21 myself, thank you.

22 MS. NDOYE: Thank you.

23 MAYOR STACK: Anyone else wishing to
24 speak at this time, please step forward, state
25 your name and address for the record.

1 Seeing none, I'll make a motion to close
2 and then I'll make a motion to approve all items
3 on the agenda, including the resolution that we
4 just spoke about.

5 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor will recuse on the
6 Chasan Leyner.

7 MAYOR STACK: And Lamporello.

8 MS. ROSARIO: Motion to close the public
9 comment by Mayor Stack. Second?

10 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

11 MS. ROSARIO: By Commissioner
12 Martinetti.

13 Roll call. Commissioner Fernandez.

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes, with the
15 exception of 28 pertains to the shared service
16 agreement with the Board of Education. Otherwise,
17 yes on everything.

18 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

19 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

20 MR. AUTERI: Motion approve all items on
21 the consent agenda, moved by Mayor Stack. Second?

22 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

23 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

24 Roll call.

25 Commissioner Fernandez.

1 action on the following items:

2 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

3 1. Resolution for introduction of the
4 amended budget 2021-2022.)

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6 MS. ROSARIO: Next item on the agenda
7 would be regular agenda. Resolution for
8 introduction of the amended budget for 2021
9 through 2022. Motion to approve item one on the
10 regular agenda?

11 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

12 MS. ROSARIO: Second?

13 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

14 MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Commissioner
15 Martinetti, second by Commissioner Valdivia.

16 Roll call.

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

18 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

19 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

20 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

21 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

22 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

23 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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25 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took

1 action on the following items:

2 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

3 2. Resolution for the payment of claims
4 to the Union City Board of Education.)

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6 MS. ROSARIO: Next item on the agenda,
7 resolution for the payment of claims for the Union
8 City Board of Education.

9 MR. AUTERI: Ordinarily, Commissioner
10 Martinetti and Commissioner Valdivia would not
11 vote on Board of Ed matters, however, tonight the
12 Board is adopting the doctrine of necessity.

13 MS. ROSARIO: Motion by?

14 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

15 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

16 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

17 MS. ROSARIO: Second by Commissioner
18 Martinetti. And Commissioner Fernandez is
19 recusing.

20 Roll call. Commissioner Valdivia.

21 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

22 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti.

23 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

24 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

25 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

MS. ROSARIO: Mayor, at this time, would you like to take public comment?

MAYOR STACK: Sure. Anyone wishing to comment on any matter concerning municipal government in the City of Union City, please step forward, state your name and address for the record?

MR. MARIN: Hello.

MAYOR STACK: Hi, how you doing?

MR. MARIN: My name is Rodrigo Marin, M-A-R-I-N. My question is will the City be doing anything for the trees this year, composting or give it nutrients? Because this day and times, we need our trees?

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Composting or what --

MR. MARIN: Composting is giving back to mother earth that which it came from, like vegetables --

MAYOR STACK: Oh, we're doing that. We actually have a group set up, Becky in City Hall, the purchasing agent, is actually spearheading it.

1 We're putting several locations in the City, we're
2 doing that. Once we have the locations picked and
3 it's done, we'll notify the entire City about
4 where they are.

5 MR. MARIN: Okay.

6 MAYOR STACK: Yes, we're doing it.
7 We've been having meetings on this, in fact. If
8 you touch base with me, maybe like mid April, I'll
9 let you know that everything is resolved.

10 MR. MARIN: Okay, thank.

11 MAYOR STACK: You got it. Thank you,
12 Mr. Marin, thank very much. Thanks for coming to
13 the meeting.

14 Anyone else wishing to comment at this
15 time? Anyone else on any matter concerning the
16 municipal government in the City of Union City?
17 Seeing none.

18 MS. ROSARIO: Motion to close the public
19 comment portion of the meeting.

20 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

21 MS. ROSARIO: Commission Fernandez,
22 second by Commissioner Martinetti.

23 Roll call. Commissioner Fernandez.

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

25 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

1 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

2 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

3 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

4 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

5 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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7 **LIQUOR LICENSE HEARINGS:**

8 1. **Variedad Latina, Inc.**

9 **T/a Variedad Latina Restaurant**

10 **4417 Bergenline Avenue**

11 **0910-33-031-012**

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13 2. **2216 Bergenline Avenue LLC**

14 **T/a Centro Bar**

15 **2216 Bergenline Avenue**

16 **0910-33-166-006**

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18 3. **R.G. Enterprise Entertainment, Inc.**

19 **T/a Therapy Lounge**

20 **2803 Bergenline Avenue**

21 **0910-33-134-006**

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23 4. **BSB Patel, Inc.**

24 **T/a Universal Liquors**

25 **2117 Bergenline Avenue**

0910-32-195-003

MAYOR STACK: Greg, do you have hearings on tonight?

MR. FARMER: They're all pleadings.

MAYOR STACK: Just give me one second, please, before we start.

(A short break was taken.)

MAYOR STACK: I'm sorry, Mr. Farmer. Thank you very much.

1. Variedad Latina, Inc.

T/a Variedad Latina Restaurant

2216 Bergenline Avenue

0910-33-031-012

(Eike Paneque, Esq.)

MR. FARMER: Okay. Good evening, Mayor and members of the Board. We have four matters for your consideration this evening. And the first one is Variedad Latina. And that's at 4417 Bergenline Avenue. And the licensee is here this evening along with their attorney, Mrs. Paneque.

1 We have previously had discussions with
2 Lieutenant Dunlay and myself and the licensee and
3 their attorney previous. And we have a
4 recommendation to make. And basically what this
5 is is that, as you know, we have the camera
6 ordinance that requires all the bars in town to
7 have cameras. And we have cameras that show the
8 front and the exit. And under the ordinance,
9 you're supposed to have 60 days of recording time.
10 In the event that something happens, the police
11 can come and get that. Periodically, the police
12 go out to see whether or not there's compliance
13 with that requirement of the ordinance.

14 A couple of the cases that you have on
15 this evening deal with precisely that. First of
16 all, Variedad Latina. The police went there,
17 found out they were only recording for 30 days,
18 not 60 days. And that's what that is.

19 We have had a kind of loose policy
20 dealing with these camera violations. The first
21 offense, we generally say ten days, we'll suspend
22 seven, you have to serve three. On a second
23 offense, it's 20 days; on the third offense, it's
24 30 days. So the philosophy is, here's the scheme,
25 here's a slap on the wrist, so to speak, for your

1 first offense. But if you don't learn from that,
2 you're going to have a graduating suspension
3 that's really going to hurt your business. And
4 that's what we're doing.

5 MAYOR STACK: Okay. And that's what the
6 recommendation is?

7 MR. FARMER: The recommendation is
8 ten days.

9 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

10 MR. FARMER: Seven suspended, three
11 served. And those days are April 18, 19, 20.
12 It's a Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

13 MAYOR STACK: Very good. If you can
14 enter your appearance?

15 MS. PANEQUE: Eike Paneque, E-I-K-E
16 P-A-N-E-Q-U-E, for Variedad. Like Mr. Farmer
17 said, we spoke about the violation and that they
18 would suspend the seven days and they would serve
19 the three days. Obviously, it's a hardship for
20 them to close down and they asked if we could do
21 it a little bit later. But Mr. Farmer had said
22 that the Board wouldn't consider any later than
23 April. So we agreed upon April 18, 19, and 20.

24 MAYOR STACK: Very good. Motion for
25 ten days, suspended seven and they serve three,

1 right?

2 MR. FARMER: Yes.

3 MAYOR STACK: Okay. I'll make a motion.

4 MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Mayor Stack.

5 Second?

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

7 MS. ROSARIO: Second by Commissioner

8 Fernandez.

9 Roll call. Commissioner Fernandez.

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

11 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

12 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

13 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

14 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

15 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

16 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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1 **2. 2216 Bergenline Avenue, LLC**

2 **T/a Centro Bar**

3 **2216 Bergenline Avenue**

4 **0910-33-166-006**

5 **(Eike Paneque, Esq.)**

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7 MR. FARMER: The next one is El Cobre, I
8 just received a letter from an attorney
9 representing them. So I would just ask that this
10 be carried to the next meeting.

11 MAYOR STACK: No problem at all. R.G.
12 Enterprise Entertainment, Therapy Lounge?

13 MR. FARMER: No. We're going to do --
14 oh, Centro is the next one, I'm sorry, I'm looking
15 at my notes.

16 MAYOR STACK: So R.G. is on for the next
17 meeting?

18 LIEUTENANT DUNLAY: No, no, the only one
19 moving was El Cobre.

20 MR. FARMER: I was looking at my notes
21 rather than the agenda.

22 MAYOR STACK: So the next one is?

23 MR. FARMER: Centro bar, that's 2216
24 Bergenline Avenue. Ms. Paneque is representing
25 the licensee and the licensee is here.

1 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

2 MR. FARMER: This is like the other one,
3 where the police went out to check whether or not
4 there's compliance with storage of 60 days on the
5 cameras on the front and the back of the licensed
6 premises. They came across this particular
7 licensee, Centro Bar, and discovered that they
8 only had 11 days, okay. This is the second
9 offense for Centro Bar. They previously had an
10 offense where we suspended seven, exactly what we
11 did the last one, ten days, serve three, hold
12 seven abeyance.

13 So now they have the second, so they
14 have seven days, they have another 10 days for the
15 violation and another ten days that we said -- or
16 kind of came to a conclusion we would suspend. So
17 they would do 27 days, 17 they would serve. And
18 those days for the 17 are from April 2nd to
19 April -- May 2nd to May 18th.

20 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

21 LIEUTENANT DUNLAY: Just for Board, the
22 only reason why we're asking for May, they asked
23 for an extension as opposed to April, because it's
24 May instead of April.

25 MAYOR STACK: So it will be a 27 day

1 suspension, but it would be suspended down to
2 16 days?

3 LIEUTENANT DUNLAY: 17 and then ten
4 would be in abeyance for one license --

5 MAYOR STACK: Can you just enter your
6 appearance for the record on this one?

7 MS. PANEQUE: Eike Paneque for Centro
8 Bar. It's a hardship for them to have to serve
9 the 17 days. We understand the violation, but I
10 know that Mr. Farmer and Sergeant Dunlay had said
11 that you wouldn't split it up. But I thought I
12 would ask the Board anyway, is there any way you
13 would consider splitting up the 17 days, allowing
14 them to serve them on not consecutive days, given
15 the impact it has on their business?

16 MAYOR STACK: How is the record at this
17 establishment? It's extensive.

18 MR. FARMER: The record of the
19 establishment?

20 LIEUTENANT DUNLAY: It's an extensive
21 history.

22 MAYOR STACK: Okay. I'll make a motion
23 to approve what Mr. Farmer has recommended.

24 MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Mayor Stack.
25 Second?

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.
2 MS. ROSARIO: By Commissioner Fernandez.
3 Roll call. Commissioner Fernandez.
4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.
5 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.
6 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.
7 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.
8 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.
9 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.
10 MAYOR STACK: Yes.
11 MR. FARMER: Okay.
12 MS. PANEQUE: Thank you.
13 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much,
14 ma'am.
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1 **3. R.G. Enterprise Entertainment, Inc.**

2 **T/a Therapy Lounge**

3 **2803 Bergenline Avenue**

4 **0910-33-134-006**

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6 LIEUTENANT DUNLAY: Is Mr. Guzman here?

7 MR. GUZMAN: Yes.

8 MR. FARMER: I'm sorry, I didn't
9 recognize you. The next one is Therapy Lounge at
10 2803 Bergenline Avenue. Again, this is a
11 situation where the police went out to inspect
12 paperwork and compliance with the camera
13 ordinance. When they went to Mr. Guzman's
14 establishment, Therapy Lounge, they found that he
15 didn't have the E141A listing, he was missing one
16 employee, didn't have him listed. You may say
17 it's one employee, what's the big deal? The
18 important thing is that we really want to always
19 try, which is very difficult to do, to make sure
20 we know who the people are who working in the bars
21 in Union City.

22 So since it was only one person and he
23 rectified it, again, we had a conference, Mr.
24 Guzman, Lieutenant Dunlay, and myself, and we
25 would recommend to the board for a five day

1 suspension, all five days suspended on the
2 condition of no violation relative to the
3 ordinance for one year.

4 MAYOR STACK: Okay. Mr. Guzman, do you
5 understand what Mr. Farmer has represented?

6 MR. GUZMAN: Yes, sir.

7 MAYOR STACK: You are the owner of the
8 establishment?

9 MR. GUZMAN: Yes, sir.

10 MAYOR STACK: And your full name is?

11 MR. GUZMAN: Robert Guzman.

12 MAYOR STACK: Do you want an attorney
13 present, Mr. Guzman?

14 MR. GUZMAN: No, I'm okay.

15 MAYOR STACK: You understand what Mr.
16 Farmer has represented?

17 MR. GUZMAN: Yes.

18 MAYOR STACK: Okay. I'll make a motion
19 to approve.

20 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

21 MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Mayor Stack,
22 seconded by Commissioner Martinetti.

23 Roll call. Commissioner Fernandez.

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

25 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

1 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

2 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

3 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

4 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

5 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

6 Thank you very much, have a good
7 evening, Robert.

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1 **4. BSB Patel, Inc.**
2 **T/a Universal Liquors**
3 **2117 Bergenline Avenue**
4 **0910-32-195-003**

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6 MR. FARMER: The last one on your agenda
7 is Universal Liquor at 2117 Bergenline Avenue in
8 Union City. This is a paper violation and
9 inspection. The books were not in order, really.
10 However, immediately after that inspection, the
11 licensee brought all the books in, they were all
12 perfect. All the I's dotted, T's crossed. And
13 what we did, we had a conference and they do not
14 have any kind of history or record. So that there
15 would be a plea to seven days, seven days
16 suspended on the condition of no other violation
17 at any time for a year. Can you put your name on
18 the record?

19 MR. PATEL: Ghanshyam Patel,
20 G-H-A-N-S-H-Y-A-M, last name is Patel, P-A-T-E-L.

21 MR. FARMER: Now, you heard what i just
22 said?

23 MR. PATEL: Yes, sir. All right.

24 MR. FARMER: Now, you're not here with a
25 lawyer, do you want to get a lawyer?

1 MR. PATEL: No, sir.

2 MR. FARMER: Okay. And have I or
3 Lieutenant Dunlay answered all your questions?

4 MR. PATEL: No, sir.

5 LIEUTENANT DUNLAY: Did we answer? Do
6 you have any questions right now?

7 MR. PATEL: No, sir.

8 LIEUTENANT DUNLAY: When we went over
9 the case, you were fine with the agreement?

10 MR. PATEL: Yes, sir.

11 MAYOR STACK: You sure you don't want an
12 attorney or anything, Jimmy?

13 MR. PATEL: No.

14 MAYOR STACK: You understood everything
15 Mr. Farmer and Lieutenant Dunlay just represented
16 to you?

17 MR. PATEL: Yes, sir.

18 MAYOR STACK: Okay. I'll make a motion
19 as per the recommendation.

20 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

21 MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Mayor Stack,
22 second by Commissioner Valdivia.

23 Roll call. Commissioner Fernandez.

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

25 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

1 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

2 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

3 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

4 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

5 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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ADJOURNMENT :

MS. ROSARIO: Motion to adjourn?

COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

MS. ROSARIO: All in favor?

(Whereupon, all Commissioners indicated
in the affirmative.)

(Whereupon the meeting was adjourned at
7:35 p.m.)

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and accurate transcript of the testimony and proceedings as taken stenographically by me at the time, place, and on the date hereinbefore set forth.

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