

CITY OF PORTLAND

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HEARINGS OFFICER'S ORDER

CITY OF PORTLAND, Petitioner, vs. N & T, LLC, Respondent

CASE NO. 2110010

PROPERTY: Gossip Bar and Grille, 11340 NE Halsey Avenue City of Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon

DATE OF HEARING: March 13, 2012

APPEARANCES:

Mr. Benjamin Walters, Attorney for the City

Mr. Michael Mills, Attorney for the Respondent

HEARINGS OFFICER: Mr. Gregory J. Frank

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

This hearing was originally scheduled for December 5, 2011. Following requests from both sides, the hearing was rescheduled several times. On March 12, 2012, the Hearings Office received telephone notification from the City Attorney's Office that the sides had an agreed-upon stipulated agreement to present on March 13, 2012. Deputy City Attorney Benjamin Walters appeared on behalf of the City. Attorney Michael Mills appeared on behalf of the Respondent.

A hearing was held on March 13, 2012, to review the agreement ("Stipulated Order") submitted as Exhibit 41a. Without objection from either party, the Hearings Officer admitted Exhibits: 1-6, 9-15, 21-32, 34, 39-41a. Exhibits 7-8, 16-20, 33, 35-38, and 42 were not offered and the Hearings Officer did not admit them into the evidentiary record.

The Hearings Officer reviewed the provisions of the Stipulated Order with the parties. The Hearings Officer requested clarification and confirmation of agreement on certain aspects of the document. The following items were addressed and agreed upon by both parties:

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DEFINITION: Section 1(B)(2) refers to an "alcohol monitor." As this term is not defined elsewhere in the document, the parties jointly agreed that it refers to an employee of the Respondent whose exclusive duties/responsibilities are to monitor the alcohol consumption of patrons.

JURISDICTION: The duration of the Hearings Officer's retained jurisdiction for this case, as set out in Section 5, is one year.

DURATION: All terms of the agreement set out in the Stipulated Order, unless specifically excepted, are to remain in full force and effect for one year.

It is the decision of the Hearings Officer to adopt the Stipulated Order (Exhibit 41a -- attached) with the annotations listed above.

ORDER AND DETERMINATION:

- 1. The Stipulated Order (Exhibit 41a attached) is adopted and incorporated by the Hearings Officer with the following annotations:
 - DEFINITION: Section 1(B)(2) refers to an "alcohol monitor." As this term is not defined elsewhere in the document, the parties jointly agreed that it refers to an employee of the Respondent whose exclusive duties/responsibilities are to monitor the alcohol consumption of patrons.
 - JURISDICTION: The duration of the Hearings Officer's retained jurisdiction for this case, as set out in Section 5, is one year.
 - DURATION: All terms of the agreement set out in the Stipulated Order, unless specifically excepted, are to remain in full force and effect for one year.
- This Order has been mailed to the parties on March 14, 2012, and shall become final and effective on March 28, 2012. Any objections to this order must be in writing and received by the Code Hearings Office prior to the effective date.
- 3. This Order may be appealed to a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to ORS 34.010 et seq.

Dated: March 14, 2012

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Gregory J. Frank, Hearings Officer

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Attachment: Stipulated Order

| Exhibit # | Description | Submitted by | Disposition |
|------------|--|----------------------|-------------|
| 1 | Complaint | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 2 | Parties to Be Notified | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 3 | OLCC Limited Liability Company Questionnaire | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 4 | OLCC Individual History: Truong, Tuan Anh | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 5 | OLCC Individual History: Nguyen, Yung Duc | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 6 | 10/11/11 Letter to Tuan Truong | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 7 | PPB Special Report: 11-069116 | Reese, Chief Michael | Not Offered |
| 8 | PPB Special Report: 11-069116 | Reese, Chief Michael | Not Offered |
| 9 | PPB Investigation Report: 11-075619 | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 10 | PPB Custody Report: 11-075619 | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 11 | PPB Investigation Report: 11-75964 | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 12 | PPB Special Report: 11-078343 | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 13 | PPB Investigation Report: 11-080669 | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 14 | PPB Special Report: 11-080668 | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 15 | PPB Special Report: 11-080668 | Reese, Chief Michael | Received |
| 16 | Notice of Hearing | Hearings Office | Not Offered |
| 17 | Mailing List | Hearings Office | Not Offered |
| 18 | 11/23/11 letter | Mills, Michael | Not Offered |
| 19 | 11/23/11 letter | Mills, Michael | Not Offered |
| 20 | 11/30/11 Fax to Marchetti | Hearings Office | Not Offered |
| 21 | Mailing List | Hearings Office | Received |
| 22 | Notice of Hearing | Hearings Office | Received |
| 23 | Declaration of tuan Truong | Mills, Michael | Received |
| 24 | Motion for Summary Determination and Dismissal | Mills, Michael | Received |
| 25 | 1/11/12 Request to postpone hearing | Marchetti, Theresa | Received |
| 26 | Complaint: City Code Violation, dated 11-3-11 | Marchetti, Theresa | Received |
| 27 | Notice of Hearing | Hearings Office | Received |
| 28 | 1/12/12 Request for Postponement | Mills, Michael | Received |
| 29 | Notice of Hearing | Hearings Office | Received |
| <u>30</u> | 1/10/12 letter with attachments | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30a</u> | E-mail - contents unreadable | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30b</u> | Summary | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30c</u> | Envelope addressed to Gossip Restaurant & Bar | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30d</u> | Envelope addressed to Gossip Restaurant & Bar | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30e</u> | 6/29/10 letter, Reese to Gossip Restaurant and Bar | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30f</u> | Memo | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30g</u> | 8/9/10 Memo, Gossip Bar to Marchetti | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30h</u> | 8/9/10 Memo, Yung Nguyen/Tony Truong to Marchetti | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30i</u> | 12/11/11 Memo, Nguyen/Truong to Marchetti | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30j</u> | 8/19/10 E-mail, Marchetti to Gossip Bar | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30k</u> | 8/16/10 document | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>301</u> | E-mails | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30m</u> | E-mails | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30n</u> | Page 8/1 | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30o</u> | Page 8/2 | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30p</u> | Page 8/3 | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30q</u> | 12/1/10 Memo, Gossip Restaurant & Lounge to OLCC - | | |
| | Liquor License Renewal | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30r</u> | E-mails | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30s</u> | E-mails | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30t</u> | 7/20/11 E-mail, Sarah Morgan to gossipbar | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30u</u> | Proposed Restrictions | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30v</u> | E-mails | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30w</u> | Letter | Mills, Michael | Received |
| <u>30x</u> | E-mails | Mills, Michael | Received |

| <u>30y</u> | E-mails | Mills, Michael | Received |
|------------|--|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| 30z | 8/5/11 E-mail, Morgan to gossipbar - Proposed Restrictions | Mills, Michael | Received |
| 31 | 1/12/12 letter, Marchetti to Frank | Marchetti, Theresa | Received |
| 32 | 1/12/12 letter, Marchetti to Frank | Marchetti, Theresa | Received |
| 33 | Petition for Order for Production and to Inspect and Copy | Mills, Michael | Not Offered |
| 34 | First Request for Production of Documents | Mills, Michael | Received |
| 35 | Certificate of Service | Mills, Michael | Not Offered |
| 36 | Certificate of Service | Mills, Michael | Not Offered |
| 37 | Declaration of Michael Mills | Mills, Michael | Not Offered |
| 38 | Certificate of Service | Mills, Michael | Not Offered |
| 39 | 2/16/12 Letter from Hearings Officer to Michael Mills | Hearings Office | Received |
| 40 | Petitioner's Reply To Respondent's Motion For Summary | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | |
| | Determination and Dismissal | Walters, Benjamin | Received |
| 40a | Certificate of Service | Walters, Benjamin | Received |
| 41 | 3/12/12 Fax Cover Sheet | Walters, Benjamin | Received |
| 41a | Stipulated Order | Walters, Benjamin | Received |
| 42 | Business Cards | Mills and Walters | Not Offere |

STIPULATED ORDER

CITY OF PORTLAND, Petitioner,

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HEARINGS OFFICE

N&T, LLC, Respondent

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APPEARANCES:

Benjamin Walters, Chief Deputy City Attorney, For City of Portland, Petitioner Michael Mills For N&T, LLC, Respondent

On the record before the Code Hearings Officer, the parties stipulated to certain terms and conditions to resolve the matters in dispute at the hearing. The stipulation was composed of the agreed upon terms and conditions:

- 1. Compliance Plan
 - A. Respondent will follow a zero tolerance policy for any disorderly conduct by patrons of the business. Any patrons violating the zero tolerance policy will be permanently excluded from the business.
 - B. 1. Respondent will have a minimum of two DPSST certified security personnel, and no less than one DPSST certified security personnel per 30 patrons, on-duty at the business after 9:00 p.m. on every Friday and Saturday, and on any day preceding a legal holiday and on legal holidays. For purposes of this Stipulated Order, "legal holidays" shall mean those holidays identified in ORS 187.010(1)(b) through ORS 187.1010(1)(j) (2012).

2. During events with DJs, Respondent will have a minimum of one on-duty alcohol monitor per 40 patrons at the business after 9:00 p.m.

- C. Respondent shall not allow the premises to exceed posted Fire Marshall occupancy limits at any time.
- D. Respondent will not offer live musical entertainment. Respondent will offer DJ entertainment on Friday and Saturday evenings only.
- E. Respondent will not host promoted events or competitive events with monetary

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awards.

- F. Respondent shall cause an incident log to be kept summarizing all events involving disturbances, trespasses, exclusions, service refusals, and other notable or illegal activities. Each staff making an entry will initial the log. Entries will include contacts with police for illegal activities.
- G. Respondent shall restrict its business operating hours to between 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m. daily.
- H. Respondent shall cease all alcohol sales by 1a.m. daily. Respondent shall have at least one on-duty DPSST certified security personnel or on-duty manager monitoring the business's parking lot after 1:30 a.m. until all patrons have left the business premises.
- I. Respondent shall restrict all patrons from possessing more than one drink at any time. Respondent shall not serve any patron more than one drink at one time. For purposes of this condition, a drink is defined as up to 16 ounces of beer, up to 7 ounces of wine or up to 2 ounces of alcohol.
- Respondent shall use a one ounce measuring jigger for measuring pours of any alcohol.
- K. Respondent shall not allow any visibly intoxicated patron to enter the premises. Any visibly intoxicated patrons on the premises will be asked to leave the premises.

L. 1. Respondent shall cause staff on-duty or an on-duty manager to conduct walk throughs of the bar premises at least once every 30 minutes Sunday through Thursday from 8 pm until closing, for visual observation in all areas, to monitor patron alcohol consumption and behaviors.

2. Respondent shall cause the staff on-duty or an on-duty manager to conduct walk throughs of the bar premises and parking lot at least once every 30 minutes on Friday and Saturdays from 8 pm until closing for visual observation in all areas, to monitor patrons' alcohol consumption and behaviors, and once every 30 minutes during business hours when number of patrons on premises appear to be close to Fire Marshall capacity.

2. The terms and conditions of this Stipulated Order have been determined by the parties to achieve desired outcomes. Therefore, time is of the essence in the performance of all of the terms and conditions of this Stipulated Order. If Respondent fails, refuses or neglects to meet any of the terms and conditions of this Stipulated Order. The City may immediately seek to enforce the provisions of this Agreement. The City shall not be required to give prior notice to Respondent, or provide Respondent with an opportunity to cure before the City seeks to enforce this Stipulated Order. The City's choice of

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remedies in seeking to enforce the terms of this Stipulated Order shall be at its sole discretion.

3. Respondent hereby waives and releases any defenses and objections based upon events occurring on or before the effective date of this Stipulated Order. Respondent otherwise reserves the right to present defenses or objections which may arise after the effective date of this Stipulated Order, subject to the limitations set forth in this Stipulated Order.

4. Non-Waiver

- A. The failure or neglect of the City to enforce prompt compliance by Respondent with any of the terms and conditions of this Stipulated Order shall not relieve Respondent of any such obligations of compliance. The City shall not be construed to have waived or limited any of its rights under this Stipulated Order by reason of such failure or neglect to enforce prompt compliance.
- B. Any waiver by the City of any breach, violation or default of this Stipulated Order shall not operate nor be construed as a waiver by the City of any subsequent breach, violation or default of this Stipulated Order.

5. The Code Hearings Officer shall retain jurisdiction over this matter for the purposes of monitoring compliance and ordering additional relief and/or assessing additional civil penalties, if appropriate.

6. This Stipulated Order shall remain in effect for a period of one year from the entry date of this Order, as indicated below.

Dated: March ____, 2012

Code Hearings Officer

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