



CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING
City Hall 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles CA 90012
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

To Owners: ☐ Within a 100-Foot Radius
☐ Within a 500-Foot Radius
☒ Abutting a Proposed Development Site

And Occupants: ☐ Within a 100-Foot Radius
☐ Within a 500-Foot Radius
And: ☐ Interested Parties/Others

This notice is sent to you because you own property or are an occupant residing near a site for which an application was filed with the Department of City Planning. All interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing where you may listen, ask questions, and/or present testimony regarding the project. The environmental document, will be among the matters considered at the hearing. The hearing officer or decision-maker may consider all the testimony presented at the hearing, written communications received prior to or at the hearing, and the merits of the project as it relates to existing environmental and land use regulations. **Please note that your attendance at the hearing is optional.**

Project Site: 626 SOUTH SPRING STREET, UNIT A

Case No.: ZA-2012-967-CUB-PA1

CEQA No.: ENV-2017-2635-CE

Hearing Held By: Office of Zoning Administration
BESt Program

Date: Thursday, October 5, 2017

Time 10:00 a.m.

Place: Los Angeles City Hall
200 N. Spring St., Room 1070
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(Please use the 201 N. Main Street entrance)

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Council No: 14 – Huizar

Related Cases: ZA-2012-967-CUB

Plan Area Central City

Zone: C2-4D

Plan Overlay: None

Land Use: Regional Center Commercial

Applicant: Michelle Marini,
The Falls Bar, LP

Representative: Gary Benjamin,
Alchemy Planning + Land Use

PROPOSED PROJECT:

An existing bar offering the sale and service of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption, featuring live entertainment.

REQUESTED ACTION(S):

1. Pursuant to Section 21084 of the California Public Resources Code, the above referenced project has been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which shall therefore be exempt from the provisions of CEQA.
2. Pursuant to Section 12.24-M of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, an Approval of Plans for the continued sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with an existing 1,932 square-foot bar featuring live entertainment such as DJ, karaoke, jazz trio or ambient music, with 79 indoor seats and a 164 square-foot outdoor patio with 23 outdoor seats, previously approved per ZA Case No. 2012-967(CUB); and

2) Modifications to Condition No. 7 of ZA Case No. 2012-967(CUB) to extend the hours of operation from 11:00 a.m. to 1:45 a.m., daily to 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. daily; and, b) to rearrange seating from 80 indoor seats and 23 outdoor seats to 79 indoor seats and 23 outdoor seats;

- 3) Modification to Condition No. 17 of ZA Case No. 2012-967(CUB) to allow for other forms of live entertainment, such as DJ or karaoke, in addition to jazz trio or ambient music;
- 4) Modification to Condition No. 21 of ZA Case No. 2012-967(CUB) to allow karaoke;
- 5) Modification of Condition No. 31 of ZA Case No. 2012-967(CUB) to allow one security guard at the bar at all times, in lieu of one per 75 patrons;
- 6) Modification of Condition No. 47 of ZA Case No. 2012-967(CUB) to allow bottle service at booths for special occasions;
- 7) Modification of Condition No. 48 of ZA Case No. 2012-967(CUB) to allow limited advertisement of alcoholic beverages on an 8 1/2 inch x 11 inch sized menu and/or sandwich sign to be posted outside the premise; and to allow secondary language on the wall sign below the posted name of the business "The Falls", to read "Cocktail."

Puede obtener información en Español acerca de esta junta llamando al (213) 202-5464
GENERAL INFORMATION

FILE REVIEW - The complete file is available for public inspection between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please call or email the staff identified on the front page, at least three (3) days in advance to assure that the files will be available. **Files are not available for review the day of the hearing.**

AGENDAS AND REPORTS- Commission agendas are posted for public review in the Main Street lobby of City Hall East, 200 N. Main Street, Los Angeles, California. Commission Agendas and Hearing Schedules are accessible online at planning.lacity.org. If this matter is before a Commission, please note that a Recommendation Report will be available on-line seven (7) days prior to the hearing and will be accessible at planning.lacity.org, by selecting "Commissions & Hearings". Recommendation Reports are hyperlinked to the case numbers on the agendas. **Please note that Recommendation Reports are not prepared for Hearing Officer or Zoning Administrator hearings.**

TESTIMONY AND CORRESPONDENCE - Your attendance is optional; oral testimony can only be given at the public hearing and may be limited due to time constraints. Written testimony or evidentiary documentation may be submitted prior to the hearing. Decision-makers such as Associate Zoning Administrators or Commissions function in a quasi-judicial capacity and therefore, cannot be contacted directly. Any materials submitted to the Department or Commission become City property and will not be returned. This includes any correspondence or exhibits used as part of your testimony.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMISSION OF MATERIALS - Written testimony may be submitted via email, in person or by U.S. mail to the staff identified on the front of this page. Correspondence should be presented on letter size (8 1/2 " x 11") or legal size (8 1/2 " x 14") paper. All oversized exhibits must be folded to fit into a legal-sized folder. Plans (i.e. site plans, floor plans, grading plans) must be presented on paper size not smaller than ledger size (11" x 17"). The case number must be written on all communications, plans and exhibits. **To the extent possible, please also submit all materials electronically (flash drive, CD or via email).**

Regular Submissions

- Matters before Commissions: Written materials not limited as to volume must be received ten **(10) days** prior to the hearing date. Provide an **original** plus **twelve (12) copies** of all correspondence or exhibits. You may submit written testimony to the Commission Office directly at **200 North Spring Street, Room 532, Los Angeles, CA 90012** in attention to the Commission Secretariat.
- Matters before an Associate Zoning Administrator (AZA) or Hearing Officer: Written materials not limited as to volume must be received no later than **five (5) days** prior to the hearing date. Provide an **original** plus **(3) copies**, and follow the size guidelines above.

Rebuttal Submissions - All written materials in response to a Recommendation Report and/or additional comments must be submitted no later than **48 hours** before the hearing date. Submissions, including exhibits, shall not exceed ten (10) pages.

Day of Hearing Submissions - Submissions less than 48 hours prior to, and including the day of the hearing, must not exceed two (2) written pages, including exhibits. Photographs do not count toward the page limitation. Notwithstanding, the Associate Zoning Administrator or Hearing Officer may deviate from this requirement at their discretion.

Non-Complying Submissions - Submissions that do not comply with these rules will be stamped "*File Copy. Non-complying Submission*". Non-complying submissions will be placed into the official case file, but they will not be delivered to, or considered by the

Commission, Associate Zoning Administrator or Hearing Officer. Notwithstanding, the Associate Zoning Administrator or Hearing Officer may deviate from this requirement at their discretion.

EXHAUSTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES AND JUDICIAL REVIEW - If you challenge these agenda items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing agenzized here, or in written correspondence on these matters delivered to this agency at or prior to the public hearing. If you seek judicial review of any decision of the City pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, the petition for writ of mandate pursuant to that section must be filed no later than the 90th day following the date on which the City's decision became final pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. There may be other time limits which also affect your ability to seek judicial review.

ACCOMMODATIONS - As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability. The hearing facility and its parking are wheelchair accessible. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. Other services, such as translation between English and other languages, may also be provided upon written request submitted a minimum of seven (7) working days in advance to: per.planning@lacity.org. Be sure to identify the language you need English to be translated into, and indicate if the request is for oral or written translation services. If translation of a written document is requested, please include the document to be translated as an attachment to your email.