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MILELE A. COGGS
ALDERWOMAN, 6TH DISTRICT

February 15, 2024

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Honorable Members:

Common Council File Number 231594 contains the following recommendations:

Renewal with a 30 (thirty) day suspension of the Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises licenses for Enrique Terrones based upon the preponderance of the evidence in the police report, licensee, friend and aldermanic testimony that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to health, safety and welfare of the public for the shooting, illegal drug activity and materials harmful to minors; for the premises located at 1631 W Grant St. ("Primos Place") in the 12th aldermanic district.

Respectfully,

Milele Coggs, Chair
Licenses Committee

cc: All Council Members
File 231594



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MILELE A. COGGS ALDERWOMAN, 6TH DISTRICT

Date: February 15, 2024

To: All Members of the Milwaukee Common Council

From: Licenses Committee

Re: Report of the Renewal Application of the Class "B" Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises (PEP) Licenses, for Enrique Terrones, Agent for Primos Place, for the premises located at 1631 West Grant Street in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Primos Place").

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Enrique Terrones (hereinafter "the Licensee") is the holder of Class "B" Tavern and PEP Licenses, for the premises located at 1631 West Grant Street in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Primos Place"). Said licenses expire at midnight on March 7, 2024.
2. An application to renew said licenses was filed with the Office of the City Clerk on December 28, 2023.
3. Pursuant to Chapters 85, 90 and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the matter was referred to the Milwaukee Police Department for investigation. On December 28, 2023, the Milwaukee Police Department responded with a report that could form the basis for nonrenewal of said licenses.
4. On February 1, 2024, the City Clerk's Office provided timely notice to the Licensee pursuant to Chapters 85, 90, and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes of the police report. The matter was scheduled for a hearing on the police report and neighborhood objections on February 13, 2024, commencing at approximately 11:10 a.m. in Room 301-B of the third floor of City Hall. At said date, time and place, the Licensee appeared at the hearing, with Interpreter, Sam Dawson, and admitted receipt of the notice of hearing.
5. Based upon the sworn testimony heard and the evidence received at the hearing, the Committee finds the following:
 - A. On January 1, 2023 at 5:58 a.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to a Shooting at 1631 West Grant Street. On arrival, officers observed the agent [actually the agent's son] lying on the floor with 5 gunshot wounds. Five spent casings were recovered outside the bar. Officers spoke to witnesses on scene who stated the agent was



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walking to the front entrance to open the bar, when the door swung open and shots were fired. No one was able to provide a description of the suspect(s) and stated the victim did not have any issues with anyone. The officers took possession of the victim's clothes at the hospital and during an inventory search recovered 18 small baggies of a white powdery substance which tested positive for cocaine and fentanyl with a total weight of 7.27 grams. The packaging and weight are consistent with narcotics used for street level resale and distribution.

- B. Sergeant Velasquez said that there is discrepancy in the police report and that the Licensee's son was the one who got shot instead.
- C. The Licensee said that he cooperated with the police regarding the incident in the police report and that he is considering to have a security guard in the future.

Individuals also present:

- D. Alderman Brostoff asked the Licensee if his son works at the bar.
- E. The Licensee said that his son he does not work there and that he was there after hours just waiting for the business to close.
- F. Antonio Martinez – 1067 W Villard Av – (Licensee's friend) said that the son was helping the uncle (Licensee's brother) to escort people out.
- G. Alderman Brostoff asked if he was aware of the drugs that were discovered on his son's clothes at the hospital.
- H. The Licensee said that he was not aware.
- I. Alderman Perez asked if his son was the only one who got shot and if he has an idea why.
- J. The Licensee said that his son was the only one who got shot and that he has no idea why it happened. He added that three months later his son told him that the drugs were put on him.
- K. Alderman Perez said that the Licensee did not reach out to him in all these months after the incident (New Year's Eve) until two days ago and that he is concerned about this business operating without reaching out.
- L. Mr. Martinez said that he talked to the Licensee regarding about what to bring to the committee, as he owned a bar in the past. He added that he advised him that he would needed to consider having surveillance cameras, security guards, get support from the neighbors, etc.
- M. Alderman Chambers asked if the victim was charged with possession.



- N. Sergeant Velasquez said that nothing has come up yet.
- O. Alderman Chambers asked the Licensee if he really believes that 18 bags of cocaine were planted on his son's clothes on New Year 's Eve.
- P. The Licensee said that he believes it because it is what his son told him.
- Q. Alderman Brostoff asked the Licensee if after the incident he has taken security measures like installing surveillance cameras.
- R. The Licensee said that he has installed surveillance cameras.
- S. Alderman Brostoff recommended the Licensee to be in communication with Alderman Perez at all times.
- T. Alderman Chambers said that we are dealing with so many problems in our community and that he personally wishes that the Licensee would take more responsibility and asked if his son has been banned from the bar.
- U. The Licensee said that his son has been banned.
- V. Alderman Perez said that the son was at the bar, that he was doing a sort of work and that the police report does not reflect that there was another situation going on except that the son was intentionally shot. He added that he would like to see a progressive disciplinary action for this matter.
- W. Alderman Chambers said that the Licensee's son came to the business with the intention to distribute drugs among our community and moved renewal with a 30-day suspension based upon the preponderance of the evidence in the police report, Licensee, friend and aldermanic testimony that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to health, safety and welfare of the public for the shooting, illegal drug activity and materials harmful to minors. (Prevailed 4-1)

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Committee has jurisdiction to hold hearings and provide Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and a Recommendation to the full Common Council pursuant to Chapters 85, 90, and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes.
2. Based upon the above facts found, the Committee concludes that the Licensee, Enrique Terrones who holds Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premise (PEP) licenses for the premise located at 1631 West Grant Street in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Primos Place") has not met the criteria of Chapters 85, 90, and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes for the renewal of his Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises licenses without first undergoing a thirty (30) day

suspension. The Committee finds the police report and aldermanic objections as stated above to be true.

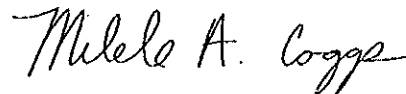
3. In order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Milwaukee, it is the recommendation of the Licenses Committee that the full Common Council of the City of Milwaukee should exercise its judgment to renew the Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premise (PEP) licenses for the premises located at 1631 West Grant Street in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Primos Place") with a thirty (30) day suspension. The Committee based its recommendation upon the preponderance of the evidence in the police report, Licensee, friend and aldermanic testimony that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to health, safety and welfare of the public for the shooting, illegal drug activity and materials harmful to minors.

RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law stated above, the Committee, by a vote of **four (4) ayes and one (1) noes**, recommends that the Class "B" Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises (PEP) Licenses of Enrique Terrones for the premises located at 1631 West Grant Street ("Primos Place") in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin be renewed with a thirty (30) day suspension.

The suspension is in effect between 12:01 a.m. on March 8, 2024 until 11:59 p.m. on April 6, 2024.

Dated and signed at Milwaukee, Wisconsin this 15 day of February, 2024.



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Chairman, Licenses Committee

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