

# CITY OF MILWAUKEE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Wednesday, December 04, 2024

#### COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE

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HOOGLAND, Keith A, Agent Hoogland foods LLC 116 JACKSON BLVD Nashville, TN 37205

You are requested to attend a hearing which is to be held in the Council Chambers, Third Floor, City Hall:

#### Tuesday, December 17, 2024 at 08:45 AM

Regarding:

Your Extended Hours Establishments and Food Dealer Licenses Application Requesting to Close 1AM on Fri-Sat as agent for "Hoogland foods LLC" for "Marco's Pizza" at 7335 W Good Hope Rd #500.

There is a possibility that your application may be denied for one or more of the following reasons: The recommendation of the committee regarding the application shall be based on evidence presented at the hearing. Per MCO 85-2.7-4, probative evidence concerning whether or not a new license should be granted may be presented on the following subjects: whether or not the applicant meets the municipal requirements, the appropriateness of the location and premises where the licensed premises is to be located and whether use of the premises for the purposes or activities permitted by the license would tend to facilitate a public or private nuisance or create undesirable neighborhood problems such as disorderly patrons, unreasonably loud noise, litter, and excessive traffic and parking congestion. Probative evidence relating to these matters may be taken from the plan of operation submitted with the license application, if any, but shall not include the content of any music. Evidence regarding the fitness of the location of the premises to be maintained as the principal place of business, including but not limited to whether there is an overconcentration of businesses of the type for which the license is sought; whether the proposal is consistent with any pertinent neighborhood business or development plans, or the location's proximity to areas where children are typically present. The applicant's record in operating similarly licensed premises; and whether or not the applicant has been charged with or convicted of any felony, misdemeanor, municipal offense or other offense, the circumstances of which substantially relate to the activity to be permitted by the license being applied for or any other factor which reasonably relates to the public health, safety or welfare may also be considered. See attached police report or correspondence.

Notice for applicants with warrants or unpaid fines:

Proof of warrant satisfaction or payment of fines must be submitted at the hearing on the above date and time. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in a delay of the granting/denial of your application.

Failure to appear at this meeting may result in the denial of your license. Individual applicants must appear only in person or by an attorney. Corporate or Limited Liability applicants must appear only by the agent designated on the application or by an attorney. Partnership applicants must appear by a partner listed on the application or by an attorney. If you wish to do so and at your own expense, you may be accompanied by an attorney of your choosing to represent you at this hearing.

You will be given an opportunity to speak on behalf of the application and to respond and challenge any charges or reasons given for the denial. No petitions can be accepted by the committee, unless the people who signed the petition are present at the committee hearing and willing to testify. You may present witnesses under oath and you may also confront and cross-examine opposing witnesses under oath. If you have difficulty with the English language, you should bring an interpreter with you, at your expense, so that you can answer questions and participate in your hearing.

You may examine the application file at this office during regular business hours prior to the hearing date. Inquiries regarding this matter may be directed to the person whose signature appears below.

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JIM OWCZARSKI, CITY CLERK

BY: Jim Cooney

License Division Manager

If you have questions regarding this notice, please contact the License Division at (414) 286-2238.

200 E. Wells Street, Room 105, City Hall, Milwaukee, WI 53202. <a href="www.milwaukee.gov/license">www.milwaukee.gov/license</a> Phone: (414) 286-2238 Fax: (414) 286-3057 Email Address: License@milwaukee.gov



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# **Notice of Public Hearing**

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HOOGLAND, Keith A, Agent
Marco's Pizza at 7335 W Good Hope Rd #500
Extended Hours Establishments and Food Dealer Licenses Application Requesting to Close 1AM
on Fri-Sat

## Tuesday, December 17, 2024 at 8:45 AM

To whom it may concern:

The above application has been made by the above named applicant(s). This requires approval from the Licenses Committee and the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee. The hearing before the Licenses Committee will take place on 12/17/2024 at 8:45 AM in Room 301-B, Third Floor, City Hall. This is a public hearing. Those wishing to view the proceeding are able to do so via the City Channel – Channel 25 on Spectrum Cable – or on the Internet at http://city.milwaukee.gov/citychannel. Those wishing to provide oral testimony via internet are asked to contact the staff assistant, Yadira Melendez at (414) 286-2775 or stasst5@milwaukee.gov for necessary information. Please make such requests no later than one business day prior to the start of the meeting. You are not required to attend the hearing, but please see the information below if you would like to provide testimony. Once the Licenses Committee makes its recommendation, this recommendation is forwarded to the full Common Council for approval at its next regularly scheduled hearing.

# Important details for those wishing to provide information for the Licenses Committee to consider when making its recommendation:

- 1. The license application is scheduled to be heard at the above time. Due to other hearings running longer than scheduled, you may have to wait some time to provide your testimony.
- 2. You must appear in person and testify as to matters that you have personally experienced or seen. (You cannot provide testimony for your neighbor, parent or anyone else; this is considered hearsay and cannot be considered by the committee.)
- 3. No letters or petitions can be accepted by the committee (unless the person who wrote the letter or the persons who signed the petition are present at the committee hearing and willing to testify).
- 4. Persons opposed to the license application are given the opportunity to testify first; supporters may testify after the opponents have finished.
- 5. When you are called to testify, you will be sworn in and asked to give your name, and address. (If your first and/or last names are uncommon please spell them.)

- 6. You may then provide testimony.
- a. Include only information relating to the above license application.
- b. Include only information you have personally witnessed or seen.
- c. Provide concise and relevant information detailing how this business has affected or may affect the peaceful enjoyment of your neighborhood.
- d. If by the time you have the opportunity to testify, the information you wish to share has already been provided to the committee, you may state that you agree with the previous testimony. Redundant or repetitive testimony will not assist the committee in making its recommendation.
- 7. After giving your testimony, the members of the Licenses Committee and the licensee may ask questions regarding the testimony you have given or other factors relating to the license application.
- 8. Business Competition is not a valid basis for denial or non-renewal of a license.

Please Note: If you have submitted an objection to the above application your objection cannot be considered by the committee unless you personally testify at the hearing. OCCUPANT

MAIL ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

CURRENT OCCUPANT
CURRENT OCCUPANT

7020 W GOOD HOPE RD 7110 W GOOD HOPE RD MILWAUKEE, WI 53223-4609 MILWAUKEE, WI 53223-4611

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Total Records: 2

Radius 750 feet and Center of the Circle: 7335 W Good Hope Rd

#### Roman, Carmen

From:

Cooney, Jim

Sent:

Wednesday, November 6, 2024 8:06 AM

To:

Roman, Carmen

Cc:

Lopez, Faviola; Milano, Marissa

Subject:

FW: Alderwoman Taylor's OBJECTION with Marco's Pizza

#### Please add

From: Laasiri, Achraf < AchrafL@milwaukee.gov> Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2024 4:24 PM

To: Cooney, Jim < Jim.Cooney@milwaukee.gov>; Lopez, Faviola < Faviola.Martin@milwaukee.gov>

Cc: Taylor, Larresa < Larresa. Taylor@milwaukee.gov>

Subject: Alderwoman Taylor's OBJECTION with Marco's Pizza

#### Good afternoon,

On November 1, 2024, at 5:45 PM, Alderwoman Taylor was driving past the intersection of 76<sup>th</sup> & Good Hope Rd, and drove past Marco's Pizza. She entered the shop as she saw they were operating, and a worker verbally asked her, "What would you like to order?" After this, Alderwoman Taylor asked staff to present a copy of their food dealer license as well as their occupancy permit. They presented to her a copy of an occupancy permit digitally, but they did not have a food dealer license.

Per the interaction above, please file this as an objection from Alderwoman Larresa Taylor towards the food dealer application that has been submitted by Marco's Pizza.

#### Kind regards,

Achraf (pronounced ush-ruff) Laasiri, Legislative Aide Alderwoman Larresa Taylor City of Milwaukee 9<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District 200 East Wells Street, #205 Milwaukee, WI 53202 414-286-2868 aide09@milwaukee.gov

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### **BUSINESS LICENSE PLAN OF OPERATION**

Office of the City Clerk License Division 200 E. Wells St. Room 105, Milwaukee, WI 53202 (414) 286-2238 www.milwaukee.gov/license e-mail address; <u>license@milwaukee.gov</u>

1. Type of Business
Applying for: Extended Hours (12AM to 5AM) - if a food establishment, check all that apply: Delivery Drive Thru Dining Room
Self Service Laundry Massage Establishment Filling Station
Other (supplemental application for specific license also required)
Provide a detailed description of the type of business you plan on operating: Pizza restaurant
Do you have any experience operating this type of business? 🗌 No 🔳 Yes 🔝 If yes, explain: We own 132 restaurants (Marcos Pizza)
2. Business Operations
a. Proposed Opening Date: 11/4/24
b. Is this premise under construction? No Me Yes If yes, list estimated completion date: 10/25/2024
c, Is this a franchise? No ves
d, is this premises currently licensed? No Yes If yes, list type of license: Unsure
e. Is the current licensee operating? 🔳 No 🗌 Yes If no, list date closed:
f. Do you have future plans for other businesses, licenses or permits at this location?
If yes, explain:
g. Have you previously held an Extended Hours License in Milwaukee?
If yes, list address(es): Oulck service restaurants, tax service
h. Are other businesses operating in the same building? No Yes If yes, describe: Quick service restaurants, tax service
3. Litter & Noise
a. How are grounds kept clean? Sweep Pressure Wash Pick Up Litter Other:
b. How often will grounds be cleaned?
c. Grounds cleaned by: Ulcensee Building Owner Employees Hired Maintenance Other:
d. How are noise issues prevented and/or addressed? Security Manager approaches customer(s) Call Police
Signs Posted Other:
e. Will a sound amplification system be used? 🔳 No 🗌 Yes If yes, describe:
4. Smoking & Sanitation
a. Are there designated outdoor smoking areas?  No Yes If yes, describe:
b. Number of Garbage Cans: Inside: 6 Locations: Throughout store
Outside: 1 Locations: Behind building in corral
c. Is a crowd control barrier used? No Yes If yes, describe:
d. How many restrooms are on the premises? 1
e. Name of solid waste contractor: Advanced Disposal Waste Management Other:

5. Security				.:	•: • :
a. Are there onsite parking spaces? No Yes If yes, how many? and describe the parking security					
plan:					
b. Is there a loading zone? No Yes If yes, describe the loading area security plan:					
c. Will you have licensed sec What are their resp	• •	<del></del>	if yes, how many?		
Describe equipment	t used		···		
d. Will there be security cam	eras? 🔲 No 🔳 Yes	if yes, how i	many? 4 and list	locations:	Interior of business
e. Will searches/identification			lo 🗌 Yes If yes, descri	be	
6. Percentage of Sales	<del>**</del>	6)			
Alcohol <u>0</u> %	Food 100	%	Secondhand Merchandis	e	Precious Metals & Gems
Entertainment 0 %	Cigarettes, Electronic Vape Devices, 0	or.	0%		0%
circitationest 7 2 4	Tobacco Products		Domanal Condess (curb n	e tatton	
Pawnbroker Activity 0 %	Salvaged Materials 0 (such as scrap metal)	96 Personal Services (such as tattoo, body piercing, salon, tellor,		or,	Other 0 %
		4 4 .	tanning, etc.) 0	%	
7. Businesses/Licenses	on the Premises	(check	all that apply):		
Type 1 Full Service Restaurant	Cafe/Coffee Shop	Deli or F	ast Food Restaurant	☐ Private	e/Fraternal/Veterans Club
☐ Night Club	☐ Tavern	Cocktall	Lounge	Teen C	lub
☐ Banquet Hall	Sports Facility	Bowling	Alley		
☐ Hotel/Motel: Number of Flo	ors:	Rooming	g House: Number of Floo	ors:	
Number of Ro	oms:		Number of Roo	ms:	
Type 2	Corner Store	Superma	orket	Conver	nlence Store
Gas Station	Amusement/Phonograph Distributor		Recycil	Recycling, Salvage or Towing	
Used Car Dealer	Personal Service Establishment (such as tattoo business, hair salon, tailor, etc.)		Recording Studio		
What other licenses/permits will you hold at this location? (check all that apply)					
Occupancy Permit Cagarette, Tobacco, Gas Station Extended Hours Class "B" Tavern Weights & Measures					
Secondhand Dealer Precious Metal & Gem Other:					
8. Legal Capacity (only	v if a Type 1 nren	nises in £	7 above)		
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9. Premises D	escription		et de la companya de La companya de la co					
a. Identify all area(s) of the premises that will be used in operating this business (include areas used only for storage): ■1 <sup>N</sup> Floor □2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor □Basement Storage □Patlo □Beer Garden □Sidewalk Café. □Deck □Rooftop								
Other: Describe:								
	ion: 🔳 Major Thoroughfare	-	ther:					
c. Nearest Major	c. Nearest Major Cross Street; N. 76th Street							
d. Describe Build	ing: 🔲 Free Standing Buildir	ng 🔳 Strip Mall 🔲 Other:						
	ises Structure: 🔳 Single Sto	•			*			
	unding Area: 🔳 Commercia				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
g. Building Owne	r Name: 1020 CYPRESS	CREEK PARKWAY	Phone Number: 714-8	46-8500	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Building Owner	r Address: 16531 Bolsa C	nica St, Ste 304, Hunti	ngton Beach, CA 926	349				
10. Hours of C	Operation & Custon	mers						
Will customers be ent	ering the premises? 🔲 No	■ Yes						
Day of the Week	Proposed Hour	s of Operation:	Estimated Number		Class B Tavern Applicant Only:			
Day of the week	Open Time (Include a.m. or p.m.)	Close Time (include a.m. or p.m.)	of Customers expected each day	of Customers	Age Restriction (If none, write 'None')			
Sunday	10am	12am	100	35-40				
Monday	10am	12am	100	35-40				
Tuesday	10am	12am	100	35-40				
Wednesday	10am	12am	100	35-40				
Thursday	10am	12ám	100	35-40				
Friday	10am	1am	150	35-40				
Saturday	10am	1am	150	35-40				
An Extended Hours Establishment License is required for any convenience store, filling station, personal service establishment (such as tattoo, body piercing, solon, tallor, tanning, etc.), recording studio or restaurant which is open between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.								
Alcohol Establishmen	ts Class A: 8:00	am to 9:00 pm Sunday thru	Saturday					
Permitted Hours of O		am to 2:00 am Sunday thru Opm Sunday-Thursday; 12:0						
Entertainment Outdo	is es	tablished by the Common Co	ouncil in its approval of the	ie licensee's plan	of operation.			
11. Signature	(s)							
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Signature of Sole Pro	prietor, Partner, or 20% or m 0% or more shareholders,	ore Shareholder	Signature of additional r	artner or 20% or	r more shareholder			
Cornerste Office	er-print name/title and sign)							

See Application Information for a complete list of all required application forms.

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## FOOD DEALER LICENSE PLAN OF OPERATION

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, LICENSE DIVISION
CITY HALL, 200 E. WELLS ST, ROOM 105, MILWAUKEE, WI 53202
(414) 286-2238 \* license@milwaukee.gov \* www.milwaukee.gov/license

Legal Entity Name	Hoogland Foods, LLC [DBA Marco's Pizza]
	7335 W. Good Hope Rd #500 Milwaukee, WI 53223
SECTION 1	TYPE OF BUSINESS
What will be the n	najority of your food sales? (check one)
	e, but are not limited to, chicken, ribs, sandwiches, roasted corn, baked potatoes, hot dogs, brats, tacos, eese and meat, French fries, cooked or deep fried vegetables/fruit, cooked cheese curds, corn dogs,
RETAIL items tea, fruit juic	snacks and beverages): include, but are not limited to, ice cream/soft serve, lemonade, snow cones, coffee, espresso, cappuccino, e, smoothles, candy, dispensed soda, fruit cups, bakery, cookies, kettle corn, cotton candy, funnel cakes, la chips w/ cheese.
A conver of basic	a convenience store? Yes No No nience store? Yes No Square feet of retail space and has, as its primary business, the sale food items and in addition, sells household products or is a filling station that sells basic food items and id products.
Bed & Breakf Micro Market	
All Applicants: Su	abmit a menu or a list of food items that will be sold.
Will any wholesal	e business be done? 🔳 No 🔲 Yes - If yes, what percentage of food sales will be wholesale?
Less than	25%
	fore AND: Restaurant Items (meals) will be sold — Complete this application and also contact DATCP.
	NO restaurant Items (meals) will be sold - Do NOT complete this application. Contact DATCP only.
SECTION 2	FOOD PROCESSING
Will any food pro	cessing be done?
	ined as assembling, grinding, cutting, mixing, baking, coating, stuffing, packing, bottling, grilling, canning, inting, distilling, pickling, freezing, drying, smoking, or packaging.
SECTION 3	FOOD REQUIRING TEMPERATURE CONTROL
Will any food tha (includes dairy p	at requires temperature control be sold?  No Yes roducts such as milk, cheese, and ice cream, fish, shellfish, meat, poultry)
If yes, list the typ	es of food Items;

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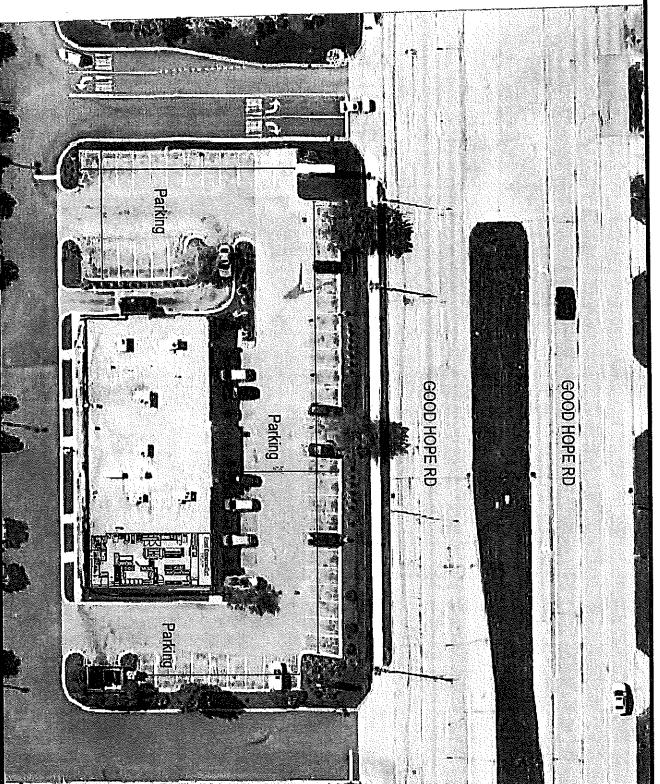
SECTION 4 DETAILS OF OPERATION
Will you have seating on site for dining?
Will you be doing any catering?
Will you be doing any delivery?   No  Ves
Will you have outdoor activities? X No Yes - Check all that apply: Bar Cooking/Grilling Dining
Will you have a drive thru window?   ☑ No ☐ Yes - Are hours different from inside? ☑ No ☐ Yes
If Yes, provide drive thru hours:
Will scales or barcode scanners be used?   X No   Yes - You must also apply for a Weights & Measures License.
SECTION 5 ADDITIONAL SITES
Where will food be prepared and/or sold?
At a single site At multiple sites: How many?(for example, a hotel with several dining rooms or bars)
If multiple sites, attach a Food Dealer Additional Site Addendum (cci-foodadd) for each additional site.
SECTION 6 CONSTRUCTION OR CHANGES
Are you planning any construction, remodeling or equipment changes?
No if No. SKIP to Section 7
Yes If Yes, check all that apply: New construction of a building Renovation or remodeling
Construction changes to existing building
Provide a brief description of the changes:  Convert existing lease space to pizza bakery.
Start date: 8/1/2024
Name, Address & Phone Number of Architect: Michael Woodall, GNICH ARCHITECTURE STUDIO
1001 SE SANDY BLVD, SUITE 100, PORTLAND, OR 97214 (503.505.7677)
Name, Address & Phone Number of Contractor: Ben Voigtlander, Revival Construction LLC
1530 E Tracy St., Appleton, WI 54915 (920-428-2443)
SECTION 7 ALCOHOL BEVERAGES
Are you applying for an alcohol beverage license?
III No If No, SKIP to Section 8
Yes If YES, if your food license is approved prior to the alcohol license, when do you want the food license issued?
Immediately At the same time as the alcohol license
SECTION 8 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & SIGNATURE
You must initial each item confirming your understanding:
KMH   Lunderstand the Health Department must conduct an inspection and advise the License Division of their approval
before the license may be issued.   understand   must obtain an occupancy permit from the Department of Neighborhood Services and an inspection
may be required. Neighborhood Services must advise the License Division of their approval before the license may
be issued.  KMH tunderstand the district alderperson will review and either support or object to my application. If he/she objects,
may appeal and be scheduled to appear before the Licenses Committee. The Licenses Committee will then make
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Leasable 1,550 Sqft

7335 W. Good Hope Road Suite 500 Milwaukee, WI 53223



MT-L' BOOT

Owner Representative Enc Somer 247-504-9041



## Office of the City Clerk License Division

Jim Owczarski City Clerk jowcza@milwaukee.gov

Jim Cooney License Division Manager jim.cooney@milwaukee.gov

November 5, 2024

Keith Hoogland, Agent Hoogland Foods LLC 2701 W Lawrence Ave Ste. A Springfield, IL 62704

Dear Mr. Hoogland:

Your application for a Food Dealer license at 7335 W Good Hope Rd Suite 500 has been administratively denied by the local Common Council member who represents the district in which the proposed premises is located. The reason for the denial is the council member observed the business operating the business without a Food Dealer License on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

You have the right to appeal the denial of your application to the Licenses Committee of the Common Council, and may do so by filing within 10 days after receipt of this letter a written statement indicating your desire to appeal. Please forward any requests to appeal to the License Division, City Hall, Room 105, 200 E. Wells St., Milwaukee, WI 53202 or license@milwaukee.gov.

Sincerely,

Jim Cooney

License Division Manager

Cc: Milwaukee Police Department

Milwaukee Health Department



#### Lopez, Faviola

From:

Cooney, Jim

Sent:

Wednesday, November 6, 2024 8:06 AM

To:

Roman, Carmen

Cc:

Lopez, Faviola; Milano, Marissa

Subject:

FW: 7335 W. Good Hope Rd #500 (Marco's Pizza): Confirmation Number:

MILMI4001008323

Please add as an appeal to the admin denial.

From: McLain Hoogland < mh@highlandventuresltd.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2024 6:02 PM
To: Cooney, Jim < Jim. Cooney@milwaukee.gov>

Cc: Eric Somer <eric.somer@highlandventuresItd.com>; Laasiri, Achraf <AchrafL@milwaukee.gov>; Taylor, Larresa <Larresa.Taylor@milwaukee.gov>; Mike Martin <mike@permit.com>; Lopez, Faviola <Faviola.Martin@milwaukee.gov>; Perez, Jose <JoseG.Perez@milwaukee.gov>; Murillo, Maribel <Maribel.Murillo@milwaukee.gov>; Williamson2, Latasha <Latasha.Williamson2@milwaukee.gov>

Subject: Re: 7335 W. Good Hope Rd #500 (Marco's Pizza): Confirmation Number: MILMI4001008323

#### Alderwoman Taylor,

I am writing to request your immediate attention to the situation at our new Marco's Pizza location on Good Hope Road. We have received conflicting information and are in need of clarification.

First, allow me to introduce myself. My name is McLain Hoogland, and I am the President and owner of Hoogland Restaurant Group, the largest franchisee of Marco's Pizza. We operate 131 locations across 15 states. Our parent company, Highland Ventures, formerly known as Family Video, owns over 800 commercial properties in 22 states and has been doing business in Milwaukee since the 1980s. In our company's history of opening over 1,000 operating businesses, we have always been able to open once the C/O was issued. This is clearly a huge misunderstanding that we would like to remedy as soon as possible.

To date, we have been told by several city officials, including the building and health inspectors, that we were approved to open for business. We received our Certificate of Occupancy (C/O) and proceeded with preparations to open. However, we have now been informed that we are not allowed to operate.

I do not understand how we were issued a C/O without approval from your office, and I am very concerned about the lack of communication and clarity regarding this issue. We have invested hundreds of thousands of dollars into building out the restaurant and have employed 25-30 local staff members. If we are unable to open as planned, we will be forced to lay off all of these employees, which would be a significant setback for both our business and the local community. We will also lose more than \$30,000 in food inventory that cannot be used if we do not open soon.

You visited our location yesterday and assured us that we would be able to open soon, but I am still unclear whether something has changed since that time. Given that this situation appears to be an unintentional misunderstanding by my construction and operations teams, I am also requesting that we be granted a temporary license to open while we await final approval from the city council. This would allow us to begin operations and support our employees while we resolve this matter.

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On Tue, Nov 5, 2024 at 4:47 PM Cooney, Jim < <u>Jim.Cooney@milwaukee.gov</u> > wrote:
Good afternoon,
The food dealer application for this location has been administratively denied. Please the attached correspondence for your right to appeal to the Licenses Committee. Please be advised that operation without a license may result in citations.
Respectfully,
Jim Cooney
License Division Manager
City Clerk-License Division

Can you please call me as soon as possible so we can discuss the situation in more detail and work toward a

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. I look forward to hearing from you.

resolution.