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BRISTOL POLICE DEPARTMENT PETITION REVIEW FORM

DATE FILED: 05-29-25

PETITION DESCRIPTION:

Modification to Dancing & Entertainment License for Portside Tavern (444 Thames St.) to include outside patio.

PERSON/S FILING PETITION: Richard Corrente

☐ LICENSE RENEWAL ☒ NEW PETITION

REVIEW:

- ☐ APPROVED
☒ CONDITIONAL APPROVAL
☐ DENIED
☐ FORWARD TO ANOTHER DEPARTMENT FOR REVIEW

NOTES:

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REVIEWING OFFICER: Lt. Brett Estrella

DATE COMPLETED: 06/10/25

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A three-year review of service calls related to Portside Tavern—specifically regarding noise violations—revealed only three noise-related complaints consisting of 1 unfound and 2 loud music advised or lowered. These instances pertained to the music inside of the establishment only. In each case, Portside Tavern's management was promptly notified and responded appropriately.

Regarding outdoor patio music only, historical usage has consisted of acoustic or minimally amplified performances, typically situated at the outer perimeter of the property. Recent social media promotions advertising outdoor "concerts" have raised concerns regarding the potential scale of these events and their impact on pedestrian and vehicular traffic in the area, particularly given the establishments proximity to Independence Park.

Additionally, due to the close proximity of residential homes, the department recommends that the live music on the outdoor patio remains acoustic or minimally amplified and conclude no later than 9:00 PM.

With regard to the proposed modification to include the back room (Engine Room) and outdoor area identified in the maps provided, the police department sees no reason to deny the request for a Dance & Entertainment License regarding the petitioner adheres to all applicable laws and ordinances are followed. I suggest a three-month review period be implemented regarding this request.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lt. Brett Estrella

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*Concur
9 PM outdoor
Steven Contente*
STEVEN CONTENTE
Town Administrator