

IN THE MATTER OF	*	BEFORE THE ALCOHOLIC
THE APPLICATION OF OZGUN	*	
CAGLAR DENIZ ON BEHALF OF	*	BEVERAGE HEARING BOARD
9400 SNOWDEN RIVER, LLC, t/a	*	
HOME SLYCE PIZZA, FOR A	*	FOR
NEW CLASS B BEER, WINE, AND	*	
LIQUOR 7-DAY ON-SALE LICENSE	*	HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND
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	*	Case No.: 15-51

DECISION AND ORDER

The Board of License Commissioners for Howard County, Maryland (the “Liquor Board”), pursuant to Rule 1.02(A) of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations, has delegated the authority to hear and decide cases to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board for Howard County, Maryland (the “Hearing Board”).

On October 27, 2015, the Hearing Board heard the application of Ozgun Caglar Deniz (the “Applicant”), on behalf 9400 Snowden River, LLC, t/a Home Slyce Pizza (“9400 Snowden River, LLC”), for a new Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor 7-day on-sale license for a 2,925 square foot restaurant located at 9400 Snowden River Parkway, Columbia, Maryland 21045. The hearing was properly advertised pursuant to Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The Applicant was represented by Melvin J. Kodenski, Esquire. There were no protestants who appeared in opposition to the application.

All the documents on file were incorporated into the record by reference. These include the following: the application; a copy of the Limited Liability Company Operating Agreement for 9400 Snowden River, LLC; a copy of the status of the Articles of Organization for 9400

Snowden River, LLC from the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation dated July 31, 2015; a copy of the Articles of Organization of 9400 Snowden River, LLC; a copy of a letter dated June 8, 2015, from the Internal Revenue Service, assigning an employer identification number to 9400 Snowden River, LLC; a copy of the floor plan; a copy of an email dated October 17, 2015, from the attorney for the Applicant to the Liquor Board Administrator , enclosing the resume of the Applicant, a copy of the United States Passport for the Applicant, a copy of the criminal history check of Maryland's Criminal Justice Information System for the Applicant; a copy of the proposed menu; a copy of the business plan indicating involvement with the community and various schools, a copy of the alcohol awareness certification for the Applicant, a copy of the proposed floor plan, and a receipt for the criminal background check; a copy of the background investigation questionnaire for the Applicant; a criminal history record check from the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services for the Applicant, examples of the interior and the décor of Home Slyce Pizza; a letter dated October 9, 2015, from the Applicant's attorney; a memorandum dated September 16, 2015, from the Liquor Board to the Alcohol Beverage Inspector, Department of Inspections, Licenses, and Permits, the Bureau of Life Safety, Environmental Health, the Department of Planning and Zoning, and the office of the Fire Marshal; the background investigation for the Applicant from the Alcohol Beverage Inspector, dated October 15, 2015; a memorandum dated September 22, 2015, from the Department of Inspections, Licenses, and Permits; an email dated October 23, 2015, from the Office of the Fire Marshal; a memorandum from the Department of Planning and Zoning; a letter dated September 14, 2015, to the Department of Finance; a letter from the Department of Finance; a letter dated September 14, 2015, to the Comptroller of the Treasury; a letter dated October 22, 2015, from

the Comptroller of the Treasury; an fax transmission to the attorney for the Applicant enclosing a letter dated September 16, 2015, with notification of the hearing date and the necessity to advertise; certification of advertisement from Patuxent Publishing and the Howard Sun; and a memorandum dated October 9, 2015, from the Alcoholic Beverage Inspector to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board stating the premises had been posted.

SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

Ozgun Caglar Deniz, Member and 100% shareholder of 9400 Snowden River, LLC, t/a Home Slyce Pizza, was sworn and testified that he has lived in Howard County for more than two years, is a registered voter, and is alcohol awareness certified. Mr. Deniz testified that he has prior restaurant experience as he interned with Home Slyce Pizza at Mt. Vernon, to learn the Home Slyce concept. Mr. Deniz testified that he was an intern with JP Bolduc, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of JPB Partners. Mr. Bolduc guided him into real estate, and other businesses, including restaurants. Mr. Deniz stated that Mr. Bolduc was an investor in the Green Turtle, Baha Fresh, and P.F. Chang's.

Mr. Deniz testified that at Home Slyce Pizza, they will make their own dough and offer a variety of toppings, which will be much healthier than most pizza restaurants. They will also deliver their food. Mr. Deniz testified that they will have a small bar, but expect their gross revenue to be 80% for food, and 20% for alcohol. Mr. Deniz testified that there are three Home Slyce Pizza restaurants in Baltimore, but they are not a franchise. Mr. Deniz testified that their hours of operation will be 11:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M., seven days per week. Mr. Deniz testified that he plans to have 20 to 30 employees, and that anyone handling alcoholic beverages, will be alcohol awareness certified.

Mr. Deniz testified that he met with Detective Baxter to discuss the rules and regulations governing the sale of alcoholic beverages.

Mr. Deniz testified that he feels it would be nice to offer alcoholic beverages to his customers with their food.

The following Exhibit was entered into the record:

Exhibit #1 – A packet including Google maps of the area, a resume for the Applicant, a copy of the United States Passport for the Applicant, a copy of the proposed menu; copy of the business plan indicating the involvement with the community and various schools, a copy of the alcohol awareness certification for the Applicant, a copy of the proposed floor plan, and an example of the interior and décor for Home Slyce Pizza.

Pursuant to Rule 6.13 of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations, the Applicant waived his right to request the Liquor Board to hear the case.

Based on the evidence presented at the hearing, the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Hearing Board finds that Ozgun Caglar Deniz on behalf of 9400 Snowden River, LLC, t/a Home Slyce Pizza, has applied for a new Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor 7-day on-sale license for a 2,925 square foot restaurant located at 9400 Snowden River Parkway, Columbia, Maryland 21045.
2. The Hearing Board finds that the Applicant is a fit and proper person to hold an alcoholic beverage license.
3. The Hearing Board finds that Ozgun Caglar Deniz has been a Howard County resident for

more than two years, is a registered voter, and a 100% shareholder of 9400 Snowden River, LLC, t/a Home Slyce Pizza.

4. The Hearing Board finds that the granting of the application is necessary for the accommodation of the public.

5. The Hearing Board finds that the granting of this application will not unduly disturb the peace and safety of the residents of the neighborhood.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Hearing Board concludes that Ozgun Caglar Deniz on behalf of 9400 Snowden River, LLC, t/a Home Slyce Pizza, has applied for a new Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor 7-day on-sale license for a 2,925 square foot restaurant located at 9400 Snowden River Parkway, Columbia, Maryland 21045.

2. The Hearing Board concludes that the Applicant is a fit and proper person to hold an alcoholic beverage license.

3. The Hearing Board concludes that Ozgun Caglar Deniz meets the requirements of Rules 1.09(T), 1.09(U), 2.06, and 2.10 of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations concerning resident agent qualifications.

4. The Hearing Board concludes that the granting of the application is necessary for the accommodation of the public.

5. The Hearing Board concludes that the granting of this application would not unduly disturb the peace and safety of the neighborhood.

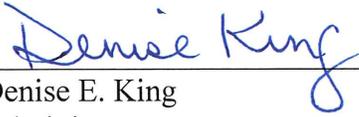
ORDER

For the foregoing reasons, it is this 8th day of December, 2015, by the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board of Howard County **ORDERED** that the application of Ozgun Caglar Deniz on behalf of 9400 Snowden River, LLC, t/a Home Slyce Pizza, for a new Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor 7-day on-sale license for a 2,925 square foot restaurant located at 9400 Snowden River Parkway, Columbia, Maryland 21045, be and the same is hereby **GRANTED**, subject to the following conditions:

1. That this **PROPOSED DECISION AND ORDER** shall become final when the Applicant obtains the license and complies with the following conditions:
 - (a) That the Applicant complies with all State and County Rules and Regulations; and
 - (b) Failure to comply with these conditions and obtain the license by December 31, 2015, shall render this Proposed Decision and Order null and void.

ATTEST:

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE HEARING
BOARD OF HOWARD COUNTY,
MARYLAND



Denise E. King
Administrator

Mary Bird, Chairperson

ABSENT
Harry Evans, III, Vice-Chairperson

REVIEWED BY HOWARD COUNTY
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