

IN THE MATTER OF THE	*	BEFORE THE ALCOHOLIC
APPLICATION OF ROBERT ANTHONY	*	BEVERAGE HEARING BOARD
MEAD AND ROBERTO BERNADES	*	OF
CORRONS ON BEHALF OF EDESIA,	*	HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND
LLC T/A YOU PIZZA FOR A TRANSFER	*	
OF A CLASS B, BEER, WINE & LIQUOR	*	Case No. 21-12
7-DAY ON-SALE LICENSE	*	

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 March 9, 2021, using WebEx, a web-based on-line platform, the Hearing Board heard the application of Robert Anthony Mead and Roberto Bernades Corrns (“Applicants”) on behalf of Edesia, LLC t/a You Pizza (“You Pizza”) for a transfer of a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor, 7-day on-sale license from Christopher James Buzaitis and Luigi Palma-Esposito on behalf of You Pizza of Clarksville, Inc. t/a You Pizza for a 2,300-square foot restaurant with a 494-square foot outdoor patio located at 12250 Clarksville Pike, Suite G, Clarksville, MD 21049.

The hearing was properly advertised, and the property was posted pursuant to the Alcoholic Beverages Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The Applicants were represented by Thomas Meachum, Esq. and there were no protestants who appeared in opposition to the application.

All the documents on file were incorporated into the record by reference.

SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

Roberto Bernades Corrons, managing member and 90% interest holder of the LLC, was sworn and testified that he will be managing the restaurant and plans to keep the current employees who are familiar with the business. Mr. Corrons testified that he will be taking the alcohol awareness course on March 22, 2021, however, the current employees are already alcohol awareness certified.

Mr. Corrons testified that the restaurant has an open floorplan concept where management and employees can see the eating area from the counter location. Mr. Corrons testified that the outdoor patio area will be monitored by staff and can be seen easily through the wall of windows. Mr. Corrons testified that food and alcohol are ordered at the counter and that no one can purchase alcohol without showing identification. Mr. Corrons testified that the hours of operation will be 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Mr. Corrons testified that he has reviewed the Decision and Order of the current owners of You Pizza, dated November 13, 2018, and agrees to abide by the restriction on the types of alcohol that cannot be sold at You Pizza due to lack of proper facilities to mix drinks and that only the following drinks will be permitted to be sold: limoncello, orangecello, sambuca, amaretto, Jagermeister, and Amaro Averna.

Mr. Corrons testified that he has reviewed the Liquor Board Rules and will abide by them. Mr. Corrons also testified that he is from Howard County and wants to contribute to the community by supporting local sports, schools and the arts.

Mr. Corrons testified that during the transition of taking over the restaurant, he currently spends many hours working at the restaurant for training purposes so that he can

fully understand how the staff operates and how the restaurant works. Mr. Corrons plans to manage the restaurant along with a full-time assistant manager.

Robert Anthony Mead, 10% interest hold in the LLC, authorized person and proposed resident agent, was sworn and testified that he has been on and off liquor licenses in Howard County for 14 years including the Willow Springs Golf Course, Dandelion Bakery Bistro and Walrus Oyster and Ale House, and there has never been a liquor permit violation at these locations during those 14 years.

Mr. Mead testified that as resident agent, his practice will be to visit the restaurant 3-4 times per month (or more in the beginning) to monitor employees to make sure they are checking identification and will also check in with the manager and talk to the employees.

Mr. Mead testified that he will make sure that the liquor license is publicly posted and will ask the servers if they know the date a person must be born to be served alcohol. Mr. Mead testified that he is alcohol awareness certified, will make sure that the restaurant complies with all rules and regulations and that he takes his position as resident agent very seriously.

Pursuant to Rule 6.13 of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations, the Applicants waive their 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 Robert Anthony Mead and Roberto Bernades Corrons on behalf of Edesia, LLC t/a You Pizza have applied for a transfer of a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor, 7-day on-sale license from Christopher James Buzaitis and Luigi

Palma-Esposito on behalf of You Pizza of Clarksville, Inc. t/a You Pizza for a 2,300-square foot restaurant with a 494-square foot outdoor patio located at 12250 Clarksville Pike, Suite G, Clarksville, MD 21049.

2. The Hearing Board finds that the Applicants are fit and proper persons to hold an alcoholic beverage license.

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

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

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Hearing Board concludes that Robert Anthony Mead and Roberto Bernades Corrons on behalf of Edesia, LLC t/a You Pizza have applied for a transfer of a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor, 7-day on-sale license from Christopher James Buzaitis and Luigi Palma-Esposito on behalf of You Pizza of Clarksville, Inc. t/a You Pizza for a 2,300-square foot restaurant with a 494-square foot outdoor patio located at 12250 Clarksville Pike, Suite G, Clarksville, MD 21049.

2. The Hearing Board concludes that the Applicants are fit and proper persons to hold an alcoholic beverage license.

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

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


ORDER

For the foregoing reasons, it is this 24th day of May, 2021, by the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board of Howard County **ORDERED** that the application of Robert Anthony Mead and Roberto Bernades Corrons on behalf of Edesia, LLC t/a You Pizza for a transfer of a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor, 7-day on-sale license from Christopher James Buzaitis and Luigi Palma-Esposito on behalf of You Pizza of Clarksville, Inc. t/a You Pizza for a 2,300-square foot restaurant with a 494-square foot outdoor patio located at 12250 Clarksville Pike, Suite G, Clarksville, MD 21049, be and the same is hereby **GRANTED**, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) That the Applicants comply with all State and County Rules and Regulations; and
- (b) That Roberto Bernades Corrons submit his alcohol awareness certification to the Liquor Board office; and
- (c) That the only liquor to be stored or served at the restaurant will be: limoncello, orangeccello, sambuca, amaretto, Jagermeister, and Amaro Averna; and
- (d) That the Applicants satisfy any requirements necessary to obtain the license by August 10, 2021, unless that deadline is extended by the Board upon good cause shown; and
- (e) Failure to comply with these conditions shall render this Proposed Decision and Order null and void.

ATTEST:

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE HEARING
BOARD OF HOWARD COUNTY,
MARYLAND**

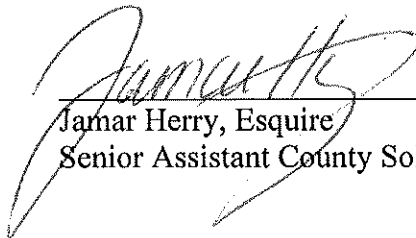

Ann Nicholson
Asst. Board Administrator


Mary Bird, Chairperson



Harry Evans, Vice Chairperson

**REVIEWED BY HOWARD COUNTY
OFFICE OF LAW
GARY W. KUC
COUNTY SOLICITOR**


Steven Chen, Member


Jamar Herry, Esquire
Senior Assistant County Solicitor


Charley C. Sung, Member


Claire Kim, Member