

Notes from TBird Meeting

December 11, 2013

Ice House, 3:00 pm

Present: Lauren Byrne, Matt Galluzzo, Sange (Spelling?), Chris Lasky, John Pergal, Ami Pergal

- John Pergal is still interested in pursuing the Moose. They do not have an option to purchase the property and will not feel that it is anything possible until they have an option to purchase but they are pursuing. They do support the idea that if they were to get the Moose with community support to be used for larger shows, that they would agree to a decreased occupancy at the current TBird.
- Traffic and Parking:
 - o Chris Lasky will provide a site plan and breakdown of the current controlled parking lots. These include:
 - 18-30 Bike parking spaces along 41st Street
 - Handicapped/ residential parking along Eden (At rear of business) - ? # spots
 - Washington Vo Tech School Lot – 45 self-park spaces, 60 valet spaces
 - Legett Lot - 20 spots
 - 38th Street Lot - ? # spots
 - o All agreed that a shuttle system would be preferred over valet parking. LC will explore shuttle options and TBird owners have agreed to contribute to cost of shuttle. Shuttle would circulate to bring patrons from car lot to T-Bird. Drop Off location along Butler needs to be identified as well as costs, utilization estimates, etc.
 - o All agreed that parking areas would be lighted and screened. There could also be something written that says if they are still using the lots after a period of 3-5 years, they must invest more in what were initially temporary lots. We could also include something to the effect that the owners are committed to supporting the creation of a long-term parking solution.
 - o TBird will develop and implement operational procedures that encourage parking in the venue- controlled parking facilities, using shuttle, etc. and not using residential streets by advertising and offering incentives to use the parking facilities such as the ability to reserve parking in advance with ticket purchases, on the website, and on any other external advertisements.
 - o Loading/ unloading: TBird owners will explore pulling the loading onsite and adjacent to 41st Street (behind TBird Building and facing PNC Bank). The alley will never be blocked and all loading or unloading will occur on site.
- Occupancy/ Capacity
 - o TBird will have an one on-site security guard for every 100 people in attendance for shows, additionally TBird will provide a traffic cop/ crossing guard for the 40th St. intersection to help with traffic control and pedestrian safety for one hour after every show ends Thurs – Sat or all shows at capacity.

- TBird will build an upstairs deck. The deck will be handicapped accessible. There will be furniture. There will be no speakers and no amplified music on the deck. The occupancy for the deck will be a part of the overall occupancy for the venue. Chris Lasky will share a rendering of the deck.
- There will be one of two floor plans used for each show. There will be a floor plan that includes a dance floor for shows at capacity and a floor plan that will be used for smaller shows. Each floor plan includes table seating. All tables and chairs will never be removed in total for any event or show. Chris will send the floor plans options with information on number of tables, etc.
- TBird will have dedicated kitchen staff working and kitchen hours will be 11 am – 11 pm Sunday – Saturday.
- Soundproofing: Owners agree to soundproof the structure and venue using elements detailed in documents shared. They also agree to meet the specs outlined in the LCB code, where no sound will be able to be heard from any point outside the venue.
- TBird agreed to keep all recyclable materials that could make noise (glass, cans) on site in the basement between 10 pm and 6 am. TBird agrees that garbage/ recycling will not be emptied into dumpsters/ totes at any time between 10:00 pm and 6:30 am. Trash will never be collected before 6 am in the morning.
- Thunderbird will clean a 1-block radius in all directions after each show (will remove any litter, cigarette butts, and other garbage). Clean up to begin by 6 am every day.
- TBird's sale of take-out beer shall be restricted to cans, growlers, and bottles of brands normally priced at or above normal domestic premium beer prices (examples of normal domestic premium beers are Budweiser, Coors Light, Yuengling, Miller Light). TBird shall not sell "40 ounce" or similar bottles of malt or brewed beverages for takeout.
- TBird will take regular customer counts and share the information with Lawrenceville United and Lawrenceville Corporation when it reaches 90% occupancy. This will be kept in a log and will be available for review by LU and LC staff.
- TBird will install cameras within the venue and at the rear and front entrances.
- TBird will publish a calendar of events that is shared with the community. The calendar will appear on the website and will identify any shows that are sold out.
- TBird will meet with stakeholder group/ LU/ LC to review occupancy information, compliance with above conditions and to address residents' complaints.