

Licensing Board, City of Boston
Kathleen Joyce, Chairman
Keeana S. Saxon
Liam P. Curran
One City Hall Plaza,
Room 809 Boston, MA 02201



Landmark Center Park Drive LLC
D/B/A 401 Park Dr, Boston, MA 02115
License #: LB 99113, Transfer to Time Out Market LLC

October 23, 2018

Dear Chairwoman Joyce and Members of the Board:

Fenway Civic Association (FCA) is the Fenway's oldest and only all-volunteer neighborhood organization that accepts no public or developer funds. Formed in 1961, our mission is to promote a vital and livable neighborhood. We are writing to support the transfer of the referenced Common Victualler 7 Day All Alcoholic Beverages License to Time Out Market, LLC, and the amended description of the licensed business.

Our board met in September with representatives of Time Out Market and reviewed their plans for food and alcohol service with 675 indoor and 158 outdoor patio seats. The proponents are experienced operators of a world-recognized food hall, and we are excited to see them in the Fenway. We reviewed the proposed beverage stations, food and demonstration areas, and were particularly happy that emerging talent could 'try out' space to see whether their concept might fit Boston customers. We understand they seek a 2 a.m. close yet anticipate serving until 11:00 p.m. on week nights and 12:00 a.m. on weekends, with possible 1 a.m. extensions based on demand. We ask that the board provide a 1 a.m. close to allow for this opportunity. We understand that a separate entertainment license will be pursued and ask that Time Out review this proposal with us in advance of application.

We have reservations about allowing beverages without food service on patios, given both proximity to Fenway Park and the work we have done with other businesses to require food service for patio customers. This practice helps discourage a bar-like atmosphere across the many game and event days in the Fenway. Should patio beverage service without food be allowed by the Board, we ask for Time Out to monitor use and evaluate their policy in their first year.

We are especially interested in hearing about Time Out's work to develop artistic and community programs and connections. We hope the proponent will work with Chief Elliott-Ortega to promote local artists through the Boston Creates cultural plan, and engage with Fenway Civic to develop and maintain collaborations with the Fenway community.

We thank you for the opportunity to express our support, and hope the Board will provide a favorable determination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Horn", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Tim Horn, President
Fenway Civic Association
CC: City Councilor Josh Zakim
Yissell Guerrero, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services