



December 5, 2016

City of Columbus  
Mr. M Brown, City Council Member  
90 W. Broad St.  
Columbus, Ohio 43215  
C/O Denise Friend Foster, Legislative Aide

Council Member

The following investigation was conducted concerning the City of Columbus' 2016 – 2017 annual objection to the renewal of liquor permit held by Merhawi Y. Gebretensai at 2207 Parkwood Ave., Columbus, Ohio. After reviewing the State of Ohio, Franklin County, and City of Columbus records regarding the above liquor permit establishment, the following information has been compiled with regard to the objection to the renewal of the permit issued to Merhawi Y. Gebretensai at 2207 Parkwood Ave., Columbus, Ohio. by the State of Ohio.

The above listed liquor establishment has been issued a liquor permit from the Division of Liquor Control # 3088958. The permit holder received a C – 1 permit, a C – 2 permit, and a D – 6 permits. These permits grant the permit holder the privilege to sell alcoholic beverages in the State of Ohio for off premise consumption as described by law.

An "Inquiry of Liquor Violations" was received from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control. The "Inquiry of Violations" revealed that the permit holder has received the following violations:

**Case Number 1**

**Nov. 6, 2015**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- PERMIT NOT POSTED IN CONSPICUOUS PLACE
- IMPROPER CONDUCT ILLEGAL SALE AND OR POSSESSION OF DANGEROUS DRUGS
- INSANITARY CONDITIONS
- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.

**Case Number 2****Nov 2, 2015**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.

**Case Number 3****Oct. 14, 2015**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.
- IMPROPER CONDUCT – TRAFFICKING IN E.B.T.

**Case Number 4****Feb 6, 2015**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.
- IMPROPER CONDUCT – TRAFFICKING IN E.B.T.

**Case Number 5****Jan. 9, 2015**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.
- IMPROPER CONDUCT – TRAFFICKING IN E.B.T.

**Case Number 6****Dec. 12, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.
- IMPROPER CONDUCT – TRAFFICKING IN E.B.T.

**Case Number 7****Dec. 19, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.
- IMPROPER CONDUCT – TRAFFICKING IN E.B.T.

**Case Number 8****Oct. 17, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.

**Case Number 9****Oct. 3, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.
- IMPROPER CONDUCT – TRAFFICKING IN E.B.T.

**Case Number 10****Sept. 19, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.

**Case Number 11****Sept 26, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.
- IMPROPER CONDUCT – TRAFFICKING IN E.B.T.

**Case Number 12****July 3, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.

**Case Number 13****July 3, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.
- IMPROPER CONDUCT – TRAFFICKING IN E.B.T.

**Case Number 14****June 19, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.

**Case Number 15****June 12, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.

**Case Number 16****April 8, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER LABELING OF PRE-MIX ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE DOSPENSING CONTAINER

**Case Number 17****April 11, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.

**Case Number 18****April 16, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.

**Case Number 19****March 31, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.

**Case Number 20****Feb 19, 2014**

The below listed violation is pending before the Liquor Control Commission. The case has not been assigned case number by the Liquor Control Commission.

- IMPROPER CONDUCT – ILLEGL USE OF E.B.T.

A review of Columbus Division of Police records further revealed that the Division of Police has not taken any police reports concerning incidents at Stafford's Market located at 2207 Parkwood Ave. Columbus, Ohio during the year 2016.

In addition, the Columbus Division of Police radio Room has nine (5) calls for service at Stafford's Market located at 2207 Parkwood Ave. Columbus, Ohio during the year 2016.

Disturbance	1
Information / Assistance	1
Larceny Report	1
Burglary Alarm	2

A criminal records check was conducted on the following individuals connected to the above listed liquor establishment:

**MERHAWI YOHANNES GEBRETENSAI**

11/01/13	2913.46	ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F 5
02/19/14	2913.46	ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
03/31/14	2913.46	ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
04/02/14	2913.46	ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
04/11/14	2913.46	ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
04/16/14	2913.46	ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
06/12/14	2913.46	ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
06/19/14	2913.46	ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
07/03/14	2913.46	ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC	PLEA OF NOT	F5

PRGRMBENEFITS	GUILTY	
09/19/14 2913.46 ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
09/26/14 2913.46 ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
10/03/14 2913.46 ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
10/17/14 2913.46 ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
12/19/14 2913.46 ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
01/09/15 2913.46 ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
01/29/15 2913.46 ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
02/06/15 2913.46 ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
10/14/15 2913.46 ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5
11/02/15 2913.46 ILLEGAL USE OR FOOD STAMPS OR WIC PRGRMBENEFITS	PLEA OF NOT GUILTY	F5

Respectfully submitted

  
 Detective Alan Brown #226  
 Narcotics Bureau – Vice Section