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Regular Meeting of the Board of Health

Thursday, September 7, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

Board to Convene Via Remote Participation

Alternative Means of Public Access Provided: Zoom Meeting/ Telephone Conference Call

TO JOIN ZOOM MEETING: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3966365159>

Dial-In: 1 646 558 8656 US Meeting ID: 396 636 5159

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting on July 20, 2023.

3. NEW BUSINESS

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- A. Request for Hearing: 466 Brock Ave., Yozakura Japanese Kitchen Re: Requesting a Variance for Sushi Rice.

Invitees: William J. Foley, Owner
Sofia DaCosta, Sanitarian
Joseph Carvalho, Environmental Health Program Director

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- B. Request for Hearing: 468 #1 Brock Ave., Little City Tattoo Re: Request for a Apprenticeship Variance for Brendalee Galarza.

Invitees: Brendalee Galarza, Apprentice
Ann Gagne, Sanitarian
Joseph Carvalho, Environmental Health Program Director

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- C. Discussion & Approval of Emergency Response Plan & Odor Control Plan for Elevation Retail II, LLC of 2121A Phillips Rd, New Bedford, MA.

Invitees: Andre Arzumanyan, Owner
Atty. Chris Saunders, Law Office of Christopher T. Saunders, P.C.
Megan daCosta, Public Health Program Manager-Tobacco & Marijuana
Stephanie Sloan, Director of Health

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- D. Request for Hearing: Discussing the Correction/Cease and Desist Order for 2nd Violation in 36-month period, \$2000 fine issued & 7-day suspension of sales permit at Stop and Save, 129 Ashley Blvd. New Bedford, MA 02746**

**Invitees: Mohammad Alam, Owner
MR Rayhan, Manager
Det. Nathaniel Almeida, New Bedford Police Department-OCIB
Megan daCosta, Public Health Program Manager-Tobacco & Marijuana
Joseph Carvalho, Environmental Health Program Director
Stephanie Sloan, Director of Health**

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- E. Request for Hearing: Discussing the Correction/Cease and Desist Order for 2nd Violation in 36-month period, \$2000 fine issued & 7-day suspension of sales permit at Family Dollar #11497, 537 Orchard St. New Bedford, MA 02744**

**Invitees: Jessica Phillips, District Manager
Megan daCosta, Public Health Program Manager-Tobacco & Marijuana
Joseph Carvalho, Environmental Health Program Director
Stephanie Sloan, Director of Health**

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- F. Request for Hearing: Discussing the Correction/Cease and Desist Order for 2nd Violation in 36-month period, \$2000 fine issued & 7-day suspension of sales permit at Lucky 7 Food Mart, 190 Weld St. New Bedford, MA 02740**

**Invitees: Manubhai Patel, Owner
Himali Patel, Manager
Megan daCosta, Public Health Program Manager-Tobacco & Marijuana
Joseph Carvalho, Environmental Health Program Director
Stephanie Sloan, Director of Health**

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- G. Request for Hearing: Discussing the Correction/Cease and Desist Order for 2nd Violation in 36-month period, \$2000 fine issued & 7-day suspension of sales permit at Joe's Gas, 277 Nash Rd. New Bedford, MA 02746**

**Invitees: Rafic Matta, Owner
Megan daCosta, Public Health Program Manager-Tobacco & Marijuana
Joseph Carvalho, Environmental Health Program Director
Stephanie Sloan, Director of Health**

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- H. Request for Hearing: Discussing the Correction/Cease and Desist Order for 2nd Violation in 36-month period, \$2000 fine issued & 7-day suspension of sales permit at Royal Fuel, 1194 Kempton St. New Bedford, MA 02740**

**Invitees: Haji Ahmad, Owner
Umar Iffikhar, Manager
Megan daCosta, Public Health Program Manager-Tobacco & Marijuana
Joseph Carvalho, Environmental Health Program Director
Stephanie Sloan, Director of Health**

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- I. Request for Hearing: Discussing the Correction/Cease and Desist Order for 1st Violation in 36-month period, \$1000 fine issued & 3-day suspension of sales permit at Richdale Food Shops, 951 Brock Ave. New Bedford, MA 02744**

Invitees: Hevan Patel, Manager

Megan daCosta, Public Health Program Manager-Tobacco & Marijuana

Joseph Carvalho, Environmental Health Program Director

Stephanie Sloan, Director of Health

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- J. Request for Hearing: Discussing the Correction/Cease and Desist Order for 3rd Violation in 36-month period, \$5000 fine issued, 30-day suspension of sales permit, and possible permanent revocation of sales permit at Keno Corner Store, 251 Orchard St. New Bedford, MA 02740**

Invitees: Afroja Moni, Owner

MD Nowshad Nerob, Manager

Megan daCosta, Public Health Program Manager-Tobacco & Marijuana

Joseph Carvalho, Environmental Health Program Director

Stephanie Sloan, Director of Health

5. NEXT MEETING DATE

6. HEALTH DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. General Updates

7. NEW BUSINESS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED AT TIME OF POSTING

8. ADJOURN

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