

July 2, 2025

This is a special meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens held on July 2, 2025.

Mayor Holeman called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Our Country.
Please remain standing for a moment of silence for our military.

This meeting has been advertised in one newspaper, The Daily Record, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act.

ATTENDANCE: Councilman Suarez, Councilman Glass, Councilwoman Hedgepath, Councilman Hale, Councilman Lorenzo.

ABSENT: Councilwoman Garcia Montes.

Tonights meeting is for discussion on the 2025/2026 liquor license for Margaritas Bar and Grill.

The Clerk said she has the Resolution for Margaritas. The owners of the business are here tonight. They have asked the Mayor and Council to reconsider the hours of operation for them. That is up to the Mayor and Council to decide. You can always put a stipulation on it. If you let them have the hours they want, and there are any problems, it will go back to the old hours the following year when it is time for them to renew their license for 2026/2027.

The Mayor asked the owners to come up so we can talk to them. The Clerk asked them what the current hours are? Our hours right now are Monday thru Thursday 8 a.m. until 11 p.m.. We do not serve breakfast. So we open in time to start serving 11 a.m. until 11 p.m. Current hours for Friday thru Sunday are 8 a.m. until 12 midnight. Again, we don't serve breakfast so we are open from 11 a.m. until 11 p.m..

What would you like your hours to be Councilman Lorenzo asked? We would like to have Monday thru Thursday 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.. For Friday thru Sunday 11 a.m. and closing at 2 a.m.. At 2 a.m. everyone has to be out.

Councilwoman Hedgepath said if we change your hours, if there are any problems, if we get complaints, upon your next renewal, you will go back to the old hours. As long as you understand that. Yes, we understand.

The owners said they wanted to show the town that they are good neighbors and they will keep everything the way the town wants it.

Councilwoman Hedgepath made a motion that we will change the hours to what the owners want. However, if there are any problems, next year when it is time to renew they will be made to go back to the old hours. Motion seconded by Councilman Lorenzo and approved on roll call:

Councilman Suarez	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Hale	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes

(See Resolution Nesxt Page)

RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF LIQUOR
LICENSE FOR SOUTH SALEM REALTY

WHEREAS, the herein below names have duly filed an application for renewal of their liquor license for their respective premises as shown for the year 2025-2026, and

WHEREAS, no objections have been received from the public, and

WHEREAS, the required fees have been paid and all premises have been inspected and approved except as otherwise stated, by the Board of Health and the Bureau of Fire Prevention; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens that the said application be approved, and that the respective license be granted; and

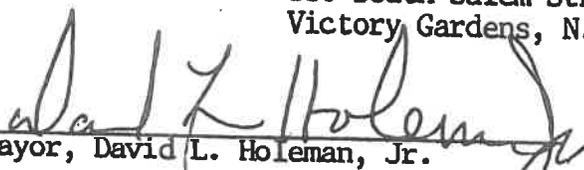
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in those cases where the inspectors of the different agencies of the Borough of Victory Gardens have found violations, the licensee shall comply and correct said violations within the time specified in the report by the various agencies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue license/certificate accordingly.

PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE

1437-33-002-003

SOUTH SALEM REALTY T/A MARGARITA BAR & GRILL
330 South Salem Street
Victory Gardens, N.J. 07801


Mayor, David L. Holeman, Jr.

7-2-2025
Date Adopted

ATTEST: 
Deborah Evans, Borough Clerk

I, Deborah Evans, hereby certify that this is a true and exact copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens, at a meeting held on 7-2-25.


Deborah Evans, Borough Clerk

The Clerk said she will get this over to the State tomorrow morning and hopefully they will get your license to me also by tomorrow. If I don't get it, we are closed on Friday. Just so you understand, if we don't get your license by Thursday, you can't sell any alcohol. Your actual liquor license ran out June 30, 2025.

The owner said she will contact the State also. If you talk to her, then tell her to send you a copy of your license so you have it until I get the original. Contact the State first thing in the morning. The State will close probably at noon.

The Clerk said you have no stipulations. The Council granted you the hours you requested.

Sunday thru Thursday
Friday thru Saturday

11 a.m. thru 11 p.m.
11 a.m. thru 2 a.m.

Councilman Lorenzo suggested to the owners to try and have the music lowered by 1 a.m.. You have houses right behind your business and we don't want the residents complaining. Okay. The owners thanked the Council for their considerations.

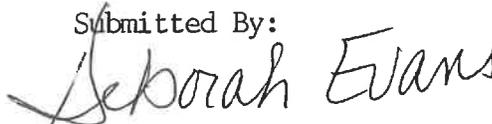
Motion to open the meeting to the public by Councilwoman Hedgepath, seconded by Councilman Suarez and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

No public present.

Motion to close the meeting to the public by Councilwoman Hedgepath, seconded by Councilman Glass and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilwoman Hedgepath, seconded by Councilman Hale and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

Submitted By:



Deborah Evans
Borough Clerk