# NSW Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Our ref: DF25/009958

Mr Tony Schwartz BSV Liquor and Gaming Lawyers

13 February 2025

Dear Mr Schwartz

| Application No.  | APP-0013405840  |  |
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| Applicant        | CORONATION (PARRAMATTA) PTY LTD   |  |
| Application for  | New hotel (full) licence with minors' area authorisation  |  |
| Application date | 29 August 2024  |  |
| Decision date    | 22 January 2025   |  |
| Licence name     | QT Parramatta   |  |
| Trading hours    | <u>Consumption on premises</u><br>Monday to Sunday 08:00 AM – 11:00 PM<br><u>Takeaway</u><br>Monday to Saturday 08:00 AM – 11:00 PM<br>Sunday 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM |  |
| Premises         | 8 Phillip Street<br>Parramatta NSW 2150   |  |
| Legislation      | Sections 3, 11A, 12, 14, 15, 40, 44, 45, 48, 53 and 121 of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>   |  |
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### Decision of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Application for a new hotel (full) licence with minors' area authorisation – QT Parramatta

We **approve** the application above under section 45 of the *Liquor Act 2007* — with the conditions set out in Schedule 1. The 6-hour closure period overrides any condition of the licence.

#### Approved manager or individual licensee

The licence cannot be exercised until the Authority or Liquor & Gaming NSW is notified that:

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- the licence is transferred to an individual licensee, or an approved manager is appointed; and
- the licensee or approved manager is a suitable and qualified person.

#### Statement of reasons

We are satisfied that the overall impact of approving the application will not be detrimental to the well-being of the local or broader community.

#### Our main findings

The local community for the purposes of this decision is the suburb of Parramatta. The broader community is the Local Government Area (LGA) of Parramatta.

#### Positive social impacts

The application seeks to operate a new hotel with minors' area authorisation, with reduced trading hours, to 11pm, to be located on the ground floor to level 21 of a mixed-use tower. The hotel will not operate gaming machines and will not have a dedicated bottle shop however liquor can be sold over the bar.

We are satisfied that the proposal would benefit the local and broader communities by providing increased convenience and choice.

#### Negative social impacts

We note the objections from two members of the public, and accept that the proposal could contribute to an increase in alcohol-related harm in the local and broader communities because of the:

- proposed premises being located in high density crime hotspots for all categories we considered
- crime rates for alcohol-related disorderly conduct, malicious damage to property and alcohol-related non-domestic assault in the suburb being higher than the NSW average
- saturation rate of hotel licences in the suburb being higher than the NSW average.

However, we are satisfied that these risk factors are reduced by the:

- crime rate of alcohol-related domestic assault in the suburb being lower than the NSW average
- crime rates in the LGA, for all categories we considered, being lower than the NSW average
- rate of alcohol-attributable hospitalisations and alcohol-attributable deaths in the LGA being lower than the NSW average
- Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) data indicating an above average level of socio-economic advantage and disadvantage in the suburb and LGA compared to other communities in NSW
- harm-minimisation measures outlined in the plan of management and licence conditions, as set out in Schedule 1.

#### The material we considered

We considered the following material when making our decision:

- the application material including evidence that stakeholders and the community were notified about the application
- a community impact statement (CIS)
- the plan of the licensed premises and any authorisations
- a plan of management for the licensed business
- a development consent for the premises
- statistics from Liquor & Gaming NSW, Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research, NSW Health and Australian Bureau of Statistics on the socio-economic status, liquor licence density, alcohol-related crimes rates and health issues in the local and broader communities
- stakeholder submissions and the applicant's response to them.

We also considered <u>Guideline 6</u> to assess the likely social impact to the local and broader community.

This decision will be published in accordance with section 36C of the Gaming and Liquor Administration Act 2007.

#### **Opportunity for review**

The applicant and anyone who was notified of the application and made a submission, may apply to  $\underline{NCAT}$  for a review of the decision.

An application for review must be made no later 28 days after the decision is published on the website. There is a fee to lodge the application.

For more information, please contact the NCAT Registry at Level 10 John Maddison Tower, 86-90 Goulburn Street Sydney or visit the NCAT website.

#### If you have any questions

Please contact the case manager, Leonie Jennings, at Liquor & Gaming NSW if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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Caroline Lamb Chairperson Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

## Schedule 1: Licence conditions to be imposed - QT Parramatta

| No. | Condition to be imposed      | Description  |   |
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| 1.  | 6-hour closure               | Section 11A of the Liquor Act 2007 applies to this licence.<br>Liquor must not be sold by retail on the licensed premises for<br>a continuous period of six (6) hours between <b>02:00 AM and</b><br><b>08:00 AM</b> during each consecutive period of 24 hours. The<br>licensee must comply with this 6-hour closure period along<br>with any other limits specified in the trading hours for this<br>licence   |   |
| 2.  | Restricted trading & NYE     | Good Friday  | 12:00 noon – 10:00 PM   |
|     | – Consumption on<br>premises | Christmas Day  | 12:00 noon – 10:00 PM (liquor can only<br>be served with or ancillary to a meal in<br>a dining area)  |
|     |                              | December 31st  | Normal opening time until normal<br>closing time or 2:00 AM on New Year's<br>Day, whichever is the later  |
|     |                              | morning of Good Frid<br>an extended trading  | allowed after midnight into the early<br>day and Christmas Day if authorised by<br>authorisation. Trading must cease at the<br>the authorisation. The latest time that<br>:00 AM. |
| 3.  | Restricted trading & NYE     | Good Friday  | Not permitted   |
|     | - Take away sales            | December 24 <sup>th</sup>  | Normal trading Monday to Saturday,<br>10:00 AM to 12:00 midnight on Sunday  |
|     |                              | Christmas Day  | Not permitted   |
|     |                              | December 31 <sup>st</sup>  | Normal trading Monday to Saturday,<br>10:00 AM to 12:00 midnight on Sunday  |
| 4.  | Minors' Area                 | Minors' Area Authorisation: restaurant, dining, bar, function,<br>lounge, terrace, and ballroom areas together with sanitary<br>facilities, that are located on Levels 1, 2, 19, 20, and 21.   |   |
| 5.  | Liquor plan of<br>management | The premises is to be operated at all times in accordance<br>with the Plan of Management dated <b>19 December 2024</b> as<br>may be varied from time to time after consultation with NSW<br>Police. A copy of the Plan of Management is to be kept on<br>the premises, and made available for inspection on the<br>request of a police officer, council officer, Liquor and<br>Gaming NSW inspector, or any other person authorised by<br>the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority. |   |
| 6.  | Overall impact               | The business authorised by this licence must not operate<br>with a greater level of overall impact on the well-being of the<br>local and broader community than what could reasonably be<br>expected from the information contained in the application<br>and other information submitted in the process of obtaining<br>the licence.  |   |
| 7.  | Liquor accord                | The licensee or its representative must join and be an active participant in the local liquor accord.  |   |
| 8.  | No gaming activities         | No gaming machines<br>on the licensed prem   | s, TAB or Keno facilities may be operated<br>nises.   |

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| 9.  | Complaints register     | <ol> <li>A complaints register is to be maintained at the premises<br/>at all times which records the following:         <ul> <li>a. the name and number of the complainant</li> <li>b. the time and date on which the complaint was<br/>received</li> <li>c. the nature of the complaint, and</li> <li>d. the measures taken to resolve the complaint.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Details of complaints received, either in person or over<br/>the phone, must be:         <ul> <li>a. recorded in the complaints register, and</li> <li>b. reported to the duty manager.</li> </ul> </li> <li>A mobile or dedicated contact number for the duty<br/>manager is to be published on the hotel's website, and on<br/>a sign to be posted at the premises entrance. If<br/>requested, the duty manager's contact details must be<br/>provided to complainants. A messaging service must be in<br/>place if the dedicated contact number is unattended</li> </ol> |  |
| 10. | CCTV                    | <ol> <li>The licensee must maintain a closed-circuit television<br/>(CCTV) system on the premises in accordance with the<br/>following requirements:         <ul> <li>the system must record continuously from opening<br/>time until one hour after the premises is required to<br/>close (or, in the case of a premises that is not required<br/>to cease trading, continuously at all times),</li> <li>recordings must be in digital format and at a minimum<br/>of ten (10) frames per second,</li> <li>any recorded image must specify the time and date of<br/>the recorded image,</li> <li>the system's cameras must cover the following areas:                 <ul></ul></li></ul></li></ol>   |  |
| 11. |                         | Immediately after the person in charge of the licensed<br>premises or a staff member becomes aware of any incident<br>involving an act of violence causing injury to a person on the   |  |

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|     |                         | premises, the person in charge of the licensed premises and/or staff member must:   |  |
|     |                         | <ol> <li>take all practical steps to preserve and keep intact the<br/>area where the act of violence occurred,</li> </ol>   |  |
|     |                         | 2. retain all material and implements associated with the act of violence in accordance with the crime scene preservation guidelines issued by NSW Police, as published from time to time on the Liquor and Gaming NSW website,   |  |
|     |                         | <ol> <li>make direct and personal contact with NSW Police to<br/>advise it of the incident, and</li> </ol>  |  |
|     |                         | <ol> <li>comply with any directions given by NSW Police to<br/>preserve or keep intact the area where the violence<br/>occurred.</li> </ol>   |  |
|     |                         | In this condition, 'staff member' means any person employed<br>by, or acting on behalf of, the licensee of the premises, and<br>includes any person who is employed to carry on security<br>activities (e.g. crowd controller or bouncer) on or about the<br>premises             |  |
| 12. | Incident register       | 1. The licensee must maintain a register, in which the licensee is to record the details of any of the following incidents and any action taken in response to any such incident:   |  |
|     |                         | <ul> <li>any incident involving violence or anti-social behaviour<br/>occurring on the premises,</li> </ul>   |  |
|     |                         | <ul> <li>any incident of which the licensee is aware that<br/>involves violence or anti-social behaviour occurring in<br/>the immediate vicinity of the premises and that<br/>involves a person who has recently left, or been<br/>refused admission to, the premises,</li> </ul> |  |
|     |                         | <ul> <li>any incident that results in a person being turned out<br/>of the premises under section 77 of the Liquor Act<br/>2007,</li> </ul>   |  |
|     |                         | d. any incident that results in a patron of the premises requiring medical assistance.  |  |
|     |                         | <ol><li>The licensee must, if requested to do so by a police officer<br/>or Liquor &amp; Gaming NSW inspector:</li></ol>  |  |
|     |                         | a. make any such incident register immediately available<br>for inspection by a police officer or Liquor & Gaming<br>NSW inspector, and   |  |
|     |                         | <ul> <li>allow a police officer or Liquor &amp; Gaming NSW<br/>inspector to take copies of the register or to remove<br/>the register from the premises.</li> </ul>   |  |
|     |                         | 3. The licensee must ensure that the information recorded in the incident register under this condition is retained for at least 3 years from when the record was made.   |  |
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