

7. 24-51767 WITHDRAWN

~~Recommendation to receive and file the application of Grupo Nikkei, LLC, dba Sushi Nikkei, for an original application of an Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) License, at 5020 East 2nd Street. (District 3)~~

**~~Levine Act: Yes~~**

**Office or Department:**

**Suggested Action:** Approve recommendation.

January 23, 2024

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
City of Long Beach  
California

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**DISCUSSION**

It is City Council policy to review applications for ABC licenses to determine if a basis for protest against the issuance of the license exists. The attached application lists the possible bases for protest.

**TIMING CONSIDERATIONS**

The Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control received the above application on December 14, 2023. City Council action is requested on January 23, 2024, to respond to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control by the January 29, 2024 due date.

**LEVINE ACT**

This item is subject to the Levine Act. The Mayor, Councilmembers, and Commissioners who have received a contribution of more than \$250 within 12 months prior from a party, participant, or their representatives involved in this proceeding may do either of the following: (1) disclose the contribution on the record and recuse themselves from this proceeding; OR (2) return the portion of the contribution that exceeds \$250 within 30 days from the time the elected official knew or should have known about the contribution and participate in the proceeding.

All parties, participants, and their representatives must disclose on the record of this proceeding any contribution of more than \$250 made to the Mayor or any Councilmembers within 12 months prior to the date of the proceeding. The Mayor, Councilmembers, and Commissioners are prohibited from accepting, soliciting, or directing a contribution of more than \$250 from a party, participant, or their representatives, during a proceeding and for 12 months following the date a final decision is rendered.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this recommendation.

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
January 23, 2024  
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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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Wally Hebeish  
Chief of Police  
Police Department

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'T.B. Modica'.

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THOMAS B. MODICA  
CITY MANAGER

ATTACHMENTS

Date: January 23, 2024

To: File

From: Krizty Kiger, Detective, Vice Investigations Section

Subject: **SUSHI NIKKEI - 5020 E. 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET**

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**CALLS FOR SERVICE/ARRESTS AND INVESTIGATIONS (12/14/22 - 12/14/23)**

<b><u>Call Type</u></b>	<b><u>Call Type Description</u></b>	<b><u>Disposition</u></b>
(4) 459A	Audible Burglar Alarm	Checks Okay

**ABC INSPECTIONS (Past three years)**

Not applicable.

**RESIDENCES WITHIN 100 FEET**

178 Argonne Avenue	Single Family Residence
181 Granada Avenue	Single Family Residence

**CHURCHES, SCHOOLS, PARKS, HOSPITALS AND PLAYGROUNDS WITHIN 600 FEET**

None.

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
January 23, 2024

Council District: 3

Applicant: Grupo Nikkei LLC

DBA: Sushi Nikkei

Address: 5020 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street

Type of Application: Type 41 - An Original Application for an On-Sale Beer and Wine for a Bona Fide Public Eating Place License.

Bases for possible protest: High crime  
Over concentration  
Residences within 100 feet

**PUBLIC CONVENIENCE DETERMINATION:** A determination of Public Convenience and Necessity **is not** required for this application.

Census Tract: 5773.00

Boundaries: 2<sup>nd</sup> Street the North  
Division Street to the South  
Granada Avenue to the East  
Argonne Avenue to the West

Number of licenses allowed: 5

Number of licenses existing: 13

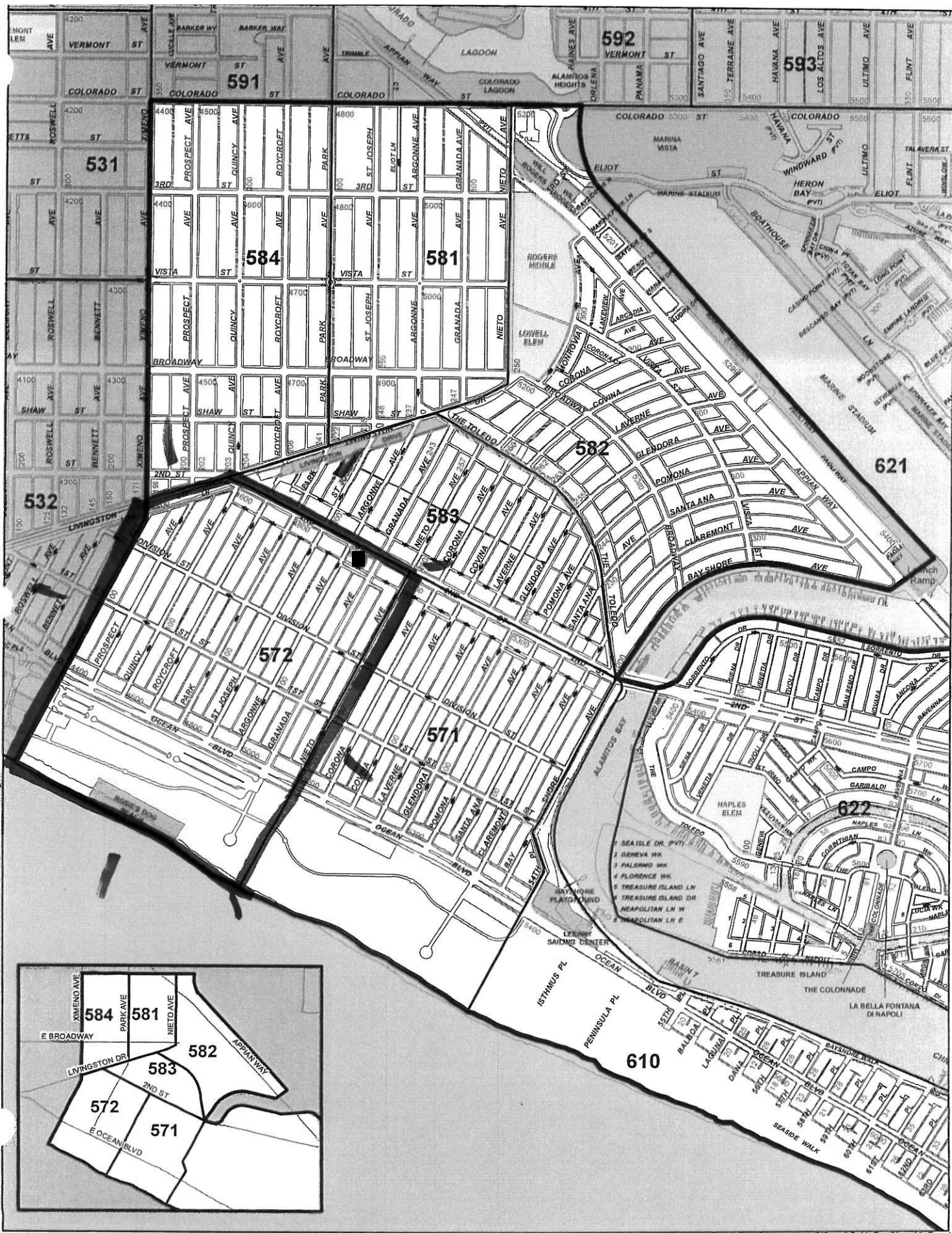
Police Reporting District: 572

Boundaries: 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to the North  
Rosie's Dog Beach/Ocean to the South  
Nieto Avenue to the East  
Ximeno Avenue to the West

Reported crimes in this district for ABC purposes are 141. Crime in a reporting district must be at least 66 to qualify for a high crime protest.

Type of business: Restaurant

Last day to request conditions and protest: January 29, 2024



## **LEVINE ACT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

California Government Code Section 84308, commonly referred to as the "Levine Act," prohibits any Long Beach City Councilmember, the Mayor, and Commissioner ("City Officer") from participating in any action related to a proceeding if they receive any political contributions totaling more than \$250 within the previous twelve months, while a proceeding is pending, and for 12 months following the date a final decision in a proceeding concerning a license, permit, entitlement, franchise or, contract (collectively "license, permit, or contract") has been made, from the person or company awarded the said license or contract. The Levine Act also requires a City Officer that has received such a contribution to disclose the contribution on the record of the proceeding.

City Officers are listed at the following sites:

- The Mayor and Councilmembers - <https://www.longbeach.gov/officials/>
- Harbor Commissioners - <https://polb.com/commission>
- Water Commissioners - <https://lbwater.org/about-us/current-water-commissioners/>
- Planning Commissioners - <https://www.longbeach.gov/mayor/action/commissions/>
- Parks and Recreation Commissioners - <https://www.longbeach.gov/mayor/action/commissions/>
- Board of Examiners, Appeals, and Condemnation - <https://www.longbeach.gov/mayor/action/commissions/>
- Cultural Heritage Commission - <https://www.longbeach.gov/mayor/action/commissions/>
- Long Beach Community Investment Company - <https://www.longbeach.gov/lbds/hn/lbcic/>

**Proposers are responsible for accessing these links to review the names prior to answering the following questions.**

1. Have you or your company, or any agent on behalf of you or your company, made any political contributions of more than \$250 to any City Officer in the 12 months preceding the date of the submission of your proposals or the anticipated date of any City Council, Board, or Commission action related to this license, permit, or contract?

☐ YES

☒ NO

If yes, please identify the City Officer(s):

2. Do you or your company, or any agency on behalf of you or your company, anticipate or plan to make any political contribution of more than \$250 to any City Officer in the 12 months following any City Council, Board, or Commission action related to this license, permit, or contract?

☐ YES

☒ NO

If yes, please identify the City Officer(s):

Answering yes to either of the two questions above does not preclude the City of Long Beach from awarding a license, permit, or contract to your firm or any taking any subsequent action related to the said license, permit, or contract. It does, however, preclude the identified City Officers from participating in any actions related to this license, permit, or contract.

12/27/2023

Date



Signature of authorized individual

Daiwa Liu Wong Olano

Type or write name of authorized individual

Grupo Nikkei LLC dba Sushi Nikkei

Type or write name of company