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**TORRANCE LICENSE REVIEW BOARD AGENDA
THURSDAY, September 21, 2023
REGULAR MEETING**

10:00 AM IN WEST ANNEX COMMISSION ROOM AT 3031 TORRANCE BOULEVARD

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

License Review Board Members – Botiller ____, Chun ____, Chair Smith ____
Alternate License Review Board Members – Harris ____, Rumery ____

3. REPORT OF STAFF ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Boulevard and on the City's website on Friday September 15, 2023.

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED, AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Limited to a 15 minute period)

This portion of the meeting is reserved for public comment on items not on the agenda under the subject matter of the License Review Board. Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, Board Members cannot act on items raised during public comment but may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed; request clarification; or refer the item to staff. Speakers under this Public Comment period will have no longer than 1 minute per speaker. Please step up to the podium and speak clearly into the microphone.

6. Consent Calendar

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed by a Board Member from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

6A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

7. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

7A. FUHUA SERVICE INC, DBA BLUE STAR MASSAGE, application for a business license to allow the operation of a massage establishment.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (IF APPLICABLE MUST BE PUBLISHED IN NEWSPAPER)

8. BOARD ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

9. ADJOURNMENT

10A. Adjournment of License Review Board Meeting to Thursday October 5, 2023, at 10:00 a.m in the West Annex Commission Room at 3031 Torrance Boulevard.

LICENSE REVIEW BOARD MEETING

October 5, 2023

ITEM NO. 7A – FUHUA SERVICE INC, DBA BLUE STAR MASSAGE

BACKGROUND

Hong Juan Wang the owner of Fuhua Service Inc, dba Blue Star Massage has made an application for approval of a business license to allow the operation of a massage establishment. The business is located at 2055 Torrance Boulevard, Suite 3 in Torrance.

ANALYSIS

Per Section 31.7.3 subsection 25) of the Torrance Municipal Code, applications for a massage establishment must have License Review Board approval before issuance of the license.

RECOMMENDATION

The License Division recommends approval of the business license.

- Attachment A: Business License Application
- Attachment B: Form 100E and Massage Therapist Certificate
- Attachment C: Notarized Statement from Landlord
- Attachment D: Police Department Reports

Please call the Business License Office at 310 618 5923 for fee amounts. Payment must be submitted with your application.



City of Torrance, Revenue Division
Business License Application
3031 Torrance Blvd, Torrance, CA 90503
(P) 310-618-5923 (F) 310-618-5852
revenue@torranceca.gov

SELECT APPLICABLE BOX:

NEW APPLICATION

CHANGE OF BUSINESS LOCATION

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP (greater than 50%)

CHANGE OF NAME (Only)

Attachment A

PART I. APPLICANT TO ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION (print or type)

BUSINESS NAME OR DBA

CORPORATE NAME (LEGAL ENTITY NAME IF DIFFERENT FROM BUSINESS NAME OR DBA)

Blue Star Massage

FUHUA Service Inc.

1. BUSINESS LOCATION (*physical business address - see note below)

Suite#

City

State

ZIP

2055 Torrance Blvd, #3

Torrance, CA 90501

2. MAILING ADDRESS OR PO/PMB BOX (required)

Suite#

City

State

ZIP

Same As Above

3. IS THE BUSINESS LOCATED AT A RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (*select one)?

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT#:

YES

NO

NATURE OF BUSINESS (description of business activity in detail)

Massage Establishment

FOR A BUSINESS LOCATED IN TORRANCE PROVIDE THE PRIMARY STANDARD INDUSTRY (SIC) CODE(S)

(*see note below):

1 Division 1: Services Major Group 72 7299

STATE WASTE DISCHARGER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (WDID#) (**if applicable - see note below):

TECHNOLOGY BUSINESS (select one):

YES

NO

Definition: A business entity utilizing scientific equipment and engineering techniques, microelectronics, data processing, genetic engineering, or telecommunications.

RETAIL BUSINESS - WILL YOU BE SELLING CBD PRODUCTS? (select one):

YES

NO

Definition: CBD is the cannabidiol compound derived from industrial hemp, cannabis or otherwise.

CONTACT NAME:

CONTACT TITLE:

BUSINESS PHONE#:

CELL PHONE#:

Hong Juan Wang

Owner

310-848-0588

DRIVERS LICENSE OR OTHER GOVERNMENT

SOCIAL SECURITY# (optional)

OF PEOPLE WORKING IN TORRANCE: 1

OF UNITS (apartments/hotels/mobile homes/vehicles):

FEDERAL TAX ID# (FEIN):

STATE TAX ID# (SEIN):

STATE CONTRACTORS LICENSE #:

STATE SELLERS PERMIT#:

OWNERSHIP INFORMATION (check applicable box)

CORPORATION

LLC

PARTNERSHIP

SOLE OWNERSHIP

NAMES OF OWNER, PARTNERS, OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS:

TITLE:

NAMES OF OWNER, PARTNERS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS:

TITLE:

Hong Juan Wang

President

I declare that I am the owner, partner, corporate officer or person with the power of attorney, and I understand if any of the information provided above is not true the business license being applied for may be revoked as outlined in section 31.9.10 of the Torrance Municipal Code.

I am duly authorized to make this application. All of the information provided in this application is true and correct. The business will not provide any service, good or product which is illegal under Federal, State, or Local Laws. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATE:

5/1/2023

BASIC FEE:

PROCESSING FEE:

STATE FEE:

PER PERSON FEE:

PER UNIT FEE:

OTHER FEES:

PENALTY FEE:

TOTAL AMOUNT:

Business License # BL-LC-

NOTES:

* FOR A RESIDENTIAL BUSINESS ADDRESS YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO PROVIDE IT. IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO PROVIDE THE RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS PLEASE LEAVE BOX #1 BLANK AND SELECT YES UNDER BOX #3. FOR A RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS IN TORRANCE YOU WILL FIRST REQUIRE A HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT#.

** ACCESS THE BUSINESS SIC CODE(S) AT UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WEBSITE: https://www.osha.gov/pls/irmis/sic_manual.html

*** ACCESS INFORMATION FOR AN INDUSTRIAL BUSINESS REQUIRING A WDID# FROM THE CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD WEBSITE: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/industrial.html

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PERSONS, FIRMS OR CORPORATIONS BY WHOM APPLICANT HAS BEEN EMPLOYED FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS:

1/2023^{to} Blue Marble Spa 2372 Torrance Blvd Torrance CA 90501
4/2019 to 12/2022 t-star massage 15400 Hawthorne Blvd Lawndale CA 90260

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THREE RESPONSIBLE PERSONS WHO HAVE KNOWN APPLICANT FOR MORE THAN THREE YEARS:

Emmanuel T. David - [REDACTED]
Summer Lee - [REDACTED]
Jimmy Ginny Lin - [REDACTED]

LIST ANY AND ALL MISDEMEANOR AND FELONY CONVICTIONS FOR VIOLATIONS OF ANY LAW, EVEN IF THE CONVICTION WAS DISMISSED OR EXPUNGED, PER CALIFORNIA PENAL CODE 1203.4 ET. SEQ. Failure to list all convictions is grounds for DENIAL of the license. (IF ADDITIONAL SPACE IS NEEDED PLEASE ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS)

None

A LETTER AUTHORIZING APPLICANT TO REPRESENT SAID PERSON, FIRM OR CORPORATION IS HEREWITH ATTACHED.

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

APPROVED BY:

CHIEF OF POLICE

DATE

LICENSE REV

DISAPPROVED BY:

CHIEF OF POLICE

DATE

LICENSE REV

CALIFORNIA MASSAGE THERAPY COUNCIL

*By authority of the State of California Code B&P Section 4600,
the California Massage Therapy Council hereby awards to*

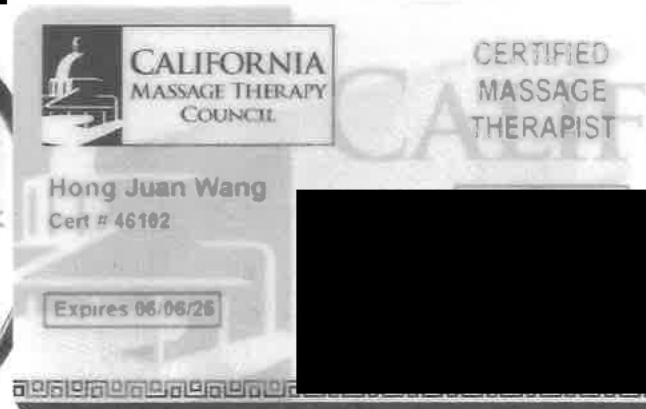
Hong Juan Wang

the designation of

CERTIFIED MASSAGE THERAPIST

*Let it be known by all that, having met the standards set forth by the California Massage Therapy Council and having demonstrated knowledge of applicable disciplines related to the practice of massage therapy, **Hong Juan Wang** is recognized as a **CMT** in good standing, including all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto, as witnessed by the signature below.*

Given at Sacramento, California, Wednesday, April 26, 2023.



*Jeffrey Fournier, Chairman of the Board
California Massage Therapy Council
MTC, One Capitol Mall, Suite 800, Sacramento, CA 95814*

**CERTIFICATE # 46102
EXPIRES: 6/6/2025**

The validity and authenticity of this certificate may be verified online
by entering the name and certificate number at: www.camtc.org

2055 Torrance LLC

2055 Torrance Blvd
Torrance, CA 90501
(424) 358-1136

April 25, 2023

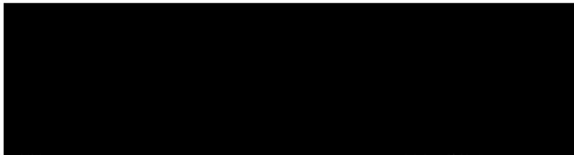
Dear Torrance City Hall Business Department Officer;

This letter is to indicate of my acknowledgement of the office space at

2055 Torrance Blvd Unit #3 Torrance, CA 90501 will be occupied by

Amy Hongjuan Wang for the purpose of legitimate massage therapy.

Sincerely,

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Gregory Hong, MD.

Gregory Hong, MD

April 25, 2023

See Attached Certificate

CALIFORNIA ACKNOWLEDGMENT

CIVIL CODE § 1189

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of California
County of Los Angeles }

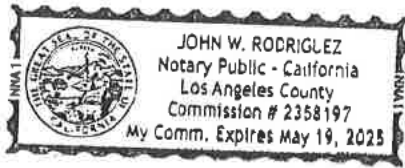
On May 2, 2023 before me, John W. Rodriguez Notary Public
Date Here Insert Name and Title of the Officer

personally appeared Gregory Hong
Name(s) of Signer(s)

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



Place Notary Seal and/or Stamp Above

OPTIONAL

Completing this information can deter alteration of the document or fraudulent reattachment of this form to an unintended document.

Description of Attached Document

Title or Type of Document: Declaration

Document Date: 4/25/2023 Number of Pages: 1

Signer(s) Other Than Named Above: _____

Capacity(ies) Claimed by Signer(s)

Signer's Name: _____

Corporate Officer – Title(s): _____

Partner – Limited General

Individual Attorney in Fact

Trustee Guardian or Conservator

Other: _____

Signer is Representing: _____

Signer's Name: _____

Corporate Officer – Title(s): _____

Partner – Limited General

Individual Attorney in Fact

Trustee Guardian or Conservator

Other: _____

Signer is Representing: _____



Torrance Police Department Intelligence Detail

License Review Interview Summary

Detective Lucas Ryono, [REDACTED]

To:
Suzanne Bittner
License Supervisor

Date: September 7, 2023

From:
Detective Lucas Ryono
Intelligence Section

Subject:
"Blue Star Massage" / FUHUA Service Inc.
2055 Torrance Blvd, Unit #3, Torrance, CA 90501
[REDACTED]

License Review Board Hearing – September 21, 2023

Licensees Interviewed:
Wang, Hong Juan (Owner) / [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

On 07 SEP 23, I interviewed Ms. Wang regarding her application for a business license for "Blue Star Massage," located at 2055 Torrance Blvd, #3, Torrance, CA 90501.

Ms. Wang will be opening a new massage business at the location. Blue Star Massage will offer massage for walk-in clients and by appointment.

Ms. Wang will be managing the business as well as providing massage. She intends to hire additional masseuses as the business grows. Ms. Wang is a licensed masseuse (#46102 / Exp. 6-6-25). Ms. Wang has worked in the massage industry for approximately 12 years. She is also the owner of Blue Cradle Spa (2372 Torrance Blvd). She previously worked as a masseuse at 5-Star Massage (15400 Hawthorne Blvd, Lawndale, CA).

An inspection of the establishment (specific to the concerns of law enforcement) was met as required by TMC Section 35.14.080 and 35.14.090.

Ms. Wang was advised of the laws regulating her occupation, and she was provided with a "Torrance Municipal Section Highlights" form, which detailed these laws and regulations. I completed a Massage Establishment Licensing Interview Questionnaire with her which she signed indicating that she understood the laws regulating this

occupation. Ms. Wang was advised to strictly adhere to record keeping, hours of operation, and proper storage of clean and used linens, as well as all the other rules and regulations that apply to the massage business.



Detective Lucas Ryono
Intelligence Section



Torrance Police Department
Acupuncture/Massage Establishment Licensing Interview
Questionnaire

Interpreter _____ Language _____



General Information

Business Name Blue Star Massage Phone [REDACTED]

Licensee(s) Hong Juan Wang [REDACTED]

Who are the sole owners? SEE ABOVE

Is the business incorporated? YES

Are there other officers/owners in the company? N/A

Business Address 2055 TORRANCE BLVD #3, TORRANCE, CA

How Long Has This Business Been Operating? NEW



Company History

Past Businesses

Have you been in the acupuncture/massage business before? YES

Location address? 5-Star Massage / 15400 Hawthorne, Lawndale, CA

How long? ~ 12 YEARS

Do you own any other businesses? YES - BLUE CRADLE SPA

Location address? 2372 TORRANCE BLVD, TORRANCE, CA

Record in Other Cities (If Applicable)

In what other cities is the company licensed?

Torrance only

Has the company had problems/issues in any of these cities? What problems/issues? How were the problems/issues resolved?

N/A

Have you ever had your business license revoked or suspended? For what reason(s)?

No

Have you responded to all open complaints (Better Business Bureau or Department of Consumer Affairs) in any other business you have owned? How were the complaints resolved?

N/A

 **Business Inspection**

The Following Conditions (Specific to the Concerns of Law Enforcement) Have Been Met As Required By TMC Section 35.14.080 and 35.14.090:

- LN H.J.W Minimum lighting shall be provided in accordance with the Uniform Building Code, and either natural light per CA Building Code (CBC) 1205.2 or artificial light per CBC 1205.3.
- LN H.J.W A massage table will be used for all massage therapy with the exception of "Thai," "Shiatsu," and similar forms of therapy. Those may be provided on a padded mat on the floor provided the patron is fully attired in loose clothing or similar garment. Massage tables are required to be a minimum of 18 inches from the floor. **Beds, floor mattresses and waterbeds are not permitted on the premises of the business or establishment (35.14.080 (d)).**
- LN H.J.W All exit doors will be kept unlocked during business hours.

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H.J.W Closed cabinets shall be utilized for the storage of clean linen. All massage tables will be covered with a clean sheet or other clean covering for each patron. After use, each covering will be deposited in a closed receptacle and not used until properly sanitized in the immersion of water at least 140 degrees Fahrenheit for not less than 15 minutes. An adequate supply of clean linens will be maintained.

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H.J.W The massage business must display the State Certificate (California Massage Therapy Council) of each massage therapist in a location so that it can be readily seen by persons entering the business.

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H.J.W All massage rooms, toilet rooms, pools, showers, bathtubs, steam rooms saunas, Jacuzzis and all other physical facilities will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected as needed and at least once each business day the premises is open and in use.

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H.J.W The patron's genitals, pubic area, anus, and female patron's breasts below a point immediately above the top of the areola must be fully draped at all times while any employee of the business or establishment is in the massage therapy room with the patron. No massage therapy will be provided to a patron that results in intentional contact, or occasional and repetitive contact, with the genitals, anus, or areola of a patron.

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H.J.W An owner of a massage business shall be responsible for the conduct of all employees or independent contractors working on the premises of the business (Torrance Municipal Code (TMC) 35.14.120(a)).

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H.J.W Each operator of a massage or acupressure establishment shall maintain a record of the date, time, name of customer, address of the customer, date of birth of the customer, type of service provided, and the licensed person supplying such service. The name, address and date of birth must be verified using legal identification prior to any service. Such records shall be open to inspection by health officials or police officers at all times, on the premises of the massage or acupressure establishment. Such records shall be kept for a minimum of not less than one year. The information contained in such records shall be used only for the purpose of enforcing this Article, as well as other applicable laws, and shall otherwise be confidential. It shall be unlawful for any person to disclose such information for any unauthorized purpose.

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H.J.W **35.14.050 T.M.C. Hours of Operation.**

No massage business or establishment will provide massage therapy to the public for compensation between the hours of 9:00 P.M. and 8:00 A.M. of the following day. The massage business or establishment must close and all patrons must leave the massage business or establishment by 9:00 P.M.



Local Codes and State Laws

Acupuncture Standards of Practice (State Requirements)

An acupuncturist is allowed to engage in the practice of acupuncture, electro acupuncture, perform or prescribe the use of oriental massage, acupressure, moxibustion, cupping, breathing techniques, exercise, heat, cold, magnets, nutrition, diet, herbs, plant, animal, and mineral products, and dietary supplements to promote, maintain, and restore health pursuant to Business & Professions Code Section 4937.

1399.450. Condition of Office.

1. (a) Every acupuncture office shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition at all times, and shall have a readily accessible bathroom facility in accordance with Title 24, Part 2, Building Standards Code Sections 494A.1 and 1994 Uniform Building Code Section 2902.3.

1399.451. Treatment Procedures.

In treating a patient, an acupuncturist shall adhere to the following procedures:

1. (a) The acupuncturist's hands shall be brush-scrubbed with soap and warm water immediately before examining patients or handling acupuncture needles and other instruments, and between patients.
2. (b) All instruments shall be sterilized before and between uses in a manner which will destroy all microorganisms. All needle trays which contain sterile needles shall also be sterile. Each time instruments are sterilized, the acupuncturist shall use a tape or strip indicator which shows that sterilization is complete.
3. (c) Acupuncture points, where needles are to be inserted, shall be cleaned with an appropriate antiseptic before insertion of the needle.
4. (d) In the event an acupuncture needle inserted in a patient breaks subcutaneously, the treating acupuncturist shall immediately consult a physician. An acupuncturist shall not sever or penetrate the tissues in order to excise such a needle.
5. (e) Any complication, including but not limited to, hematoma, peritonitis or pneumothorax arising out of acupuncture treatment shall be referred immediately to a physician or dentist or podiatrist, if appropriate, if immediate medical treatment is required..
6. (f) Acupuncture shall not be performed using hypodermic needles.
7. (g) All instruments to be discarded shall be disposed of safely.
8. (h) Needles shall be disposed of by placing them in a sealed, unbreakable container marked "Hazardous Waste" and disposed of in accordance with state and local law.

1399.453. Record keeping.

An acupuncturist shall keep complete and accurate records on each patient who is given acupuncture treatment, including but not limited to, treatments given and progress made as a result of the acupuncture treatments.

1399.454. Single Use Needles.

An acupuncturist shall use needles labeled for single use only that meet the requirements of federal regulations 21 CFR Part 880.5580 (61 FR 64617, December 6, 1996). It shall constitute unprofessional conduct for an acupuncturist to use a needle more than once.

1399.455. Advertising.

1. (a) A licensed acupuncturist may advertise the provision of any acupuncture services authorized to be provided by such licensure in a manner authorized by Section 651 of the code so long as such advertising does not promote the excessive or unnecessary use of such services.
2. (b) It is improper advertising as provided in Section 4955 of the code to disseminate any advertising which represents in any manner that the acupuncturist can cure any type of disease, condition or symptom.
3. (c) It is improper advertising as provided in Section 4955 of the code to disseminate any advertising of a practice, technique or procedure which is not within the scope of the practice of acupuncture as defined in Section 4927 and 4937 of the code and which is the unlawful practice of medicine.

1399.456. Use of the Title "Doctor."

It is unprofessional conduct for an acupuncturist to use the title "Doctor" or the abbreviation "Dr." in connection with the practice of acupuncture unless he or she possesses a license or certificate which authorizes such use or possesses an earned doctorate degree from an accredited, approved or authorized educational institution as set forth under Article 4 (commencing with section 94760) of Chapter 7 of Part 59 which is in acupuncture, Oriental medicine, a biological science, or is otherwise related to the authorized practice of an acupuncturist as set forth in Sections 4927 and 4937 of the Code.

The use of the title "Doctor" or the abbreviation "Dr." by an acupuncturist as authorized above without further indicating the type of license, certificate or degree which authorizes such use, constitutes unprofessional conduct.

Is the Licensee(s) aware of applicable local codes and state laws?

CR H.J.W

Has Licensee(s) received a copy of the "Massage Therapy Regulations?"

CR H.J.W

Does the Licensee(s) know how to contact the police department?

CR H.J.W



Information Confirmation

I (We), as a licensee(s), fully understand all of the above information and will abide by all the rules and regulations that govern acupuncture/massage businesses. I confirm that all of the above listed information is correct.

[Redacted Signature]

9/7/23
Date

[Redacted Signature]

9-7-23

Date