



City and County of San Francisco
Entertainment Commission

Permit referral request

To SFPD EC Sound

Date 9/17/2026

We have received the attached application for a permit from the business listed below:

Permit(s) requested LLP

Entertainment Commission notes:

We have received the attached application for a Limited Live Performance permit

Name Zahra Saleh

DBA CAFE INTERNATIONAL

Street address 508 HAIGHT ST

Hearing date 10/20/2026

Except for Planning, SFPD, and SF Port, we do not need a response before the hearing date.

Please enter your recommendation below.

Your department _____

Your recommendation:

Signature _____ Date _____

1. Permit type

Permit type

Entertainment may include musicians, bands, DJs, theater performances, comedy shows, drag shows, karaoke, fashion shows, or poetry readings. Entertainment does not include indoor pre-recorded music from a playlist, indoor trivia, music lessons or indoor magic shows.

1.1

Tell us what you want to do

Choose one answer.

- ☐ I want to host live entertainment until 2:00 am

You are applying for a Place of Entertainment (POE) permit.

i Before completing this application you must email the Entertainment Commission at email@sfgov.org and visit the Planning Information Counter inside the Permit Center at 49 South Van Ness Avenue.

- ☒ I want to host live entertainment until 10:00 or 11:00 pm

You are applying for a Limited Live Performance (LLP) permit.

- ☐ None of the above

A You only need to answer this if you selected "None of the above" on question 1.1 on page 2.

Amplified sound

Outdoor amplified sound includes TVs with sound, prerecorded music, and any amplified sound.

1.2

Do you want to host outdoor amplified sound, such as prerecorded music or TV with no live entertainment?

Choose one answer.

- ☐ Yes

If you only want outdoor amplified sound, you are applying for a Fixed Place Amplified Sound (FPAS) permit. If you want outdoor amplified sound and live entertainment it will be part of your LLP or POE permit.

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- ☒ No

Continue **1. Permit type** on the next page →

Extended hours

1.3

Do you want to host entertainment or serve food after 2 am?

Choose one answer.☐ Yes*You are applying for an Extended Hours Premises (EHP) permit.*

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☒ No

Pool tables

You need a permit only if you charge your customers to use the pool tables.

1.4

Do you want to have 1 or more pool table that you charge customers to use?

Choose one answer.☐ Yes*You are applying for a Billiard Parlor (BP) permit*☒ No

Amusement devices

You need a permit if you are:

- A bar and charge your customers to use 2 or more paid machines, or
- Not a bar and have 11 or more paid machines.

1.5

Do you want to have 2 or more paid machines, such as pinball, skeeball, or other arcade style games?

Choose one answer.☐ Yes*You are applying for a Mechanical Amusement Device (MAD) permit.vv*☒ No

To be completed by the Entertainment Commission.

Neighborhood outreach plan:

we will send a letter to our neighbors notifying them of the LLP permit application

2. Type of entertainment

 You only need to complete this section if you selected to apply for a Place of Entertainment (POE) or Limited Live Performance (LLP) permit on question 1.1, or an Extended Hours Premises (EHP) permit on question 1.3.

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Entertainment does not include indoor pre-recorded music from a playlist, indoor trivia, music lessons, or indoor magic shows.

2.1

What type of entertainment would you like to provide?

Select all that apply

- ☒ Indoor entertainment
- ☐ Outdoor entertainment
- ☐ Outdoor amplified sound

3. About you

Complete this section as the person submitting the application on behalf of the business seeking an entertainment permit.

Your role

3.1

Tell us about your role.

Select one option.

☒ Business owner

☐ Business manager

☐ Nonprofit director

☐ Other role

About you

We will use this information to contact you.

3.2

Name

Email

Phone

4. Business owners

Number of owners

If you are a non-profit organization, list the number of your directors.

4.1

Number of people owning 10% or more of the business.

1

Business owners

Enter your director information if you are a non-profit organization, and leave the "Percentage owned" field blank.

4.2

Business owner 1

Name Zahra Saleh Percentage owned 100
Email [REDACTED] Phone [REDACTED]
Residential address [REDACTED]
City [REDACTED] State [REDACTED] Zip [REDACTED]

Business owner 2 (if applicable)

Name _____ Percentage owned _____
Email _____ Phone _____
Residential address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business owner 3 (if applicable)

Name _____ Percentage owned _____
Email _____ Phone _____
Residential address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Continue 4. Business owners on next page →

6. Business location

Business
information

6.1

Business Account Number (BAN)

Your BAN is a 7-digit number. If you don't know it, find your BAN at <https://data.sfgov.org/Economy-and-Community/Registered-Business-Locations-San-Francisco/g8m3-pdis/data>

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Business name (DBA) CAFE INTERNATIONAL

Ownership name SALEH ZAHRA

Date of incorporation 09-01-1998

Location
information

6.2

Location identification number (LIN)

Your LIN is a 12-digit number. If you don't know it, find your LIN at <https://data.sfgov.org/Economy-and-Community/Registered-Business-Locations-San-Francisco/g8m3-pdis/data>

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Location street address 508 HAIGHT ST

License code (LIC) H25R

7. Business activity

Business identity

7.1

Select what best describes your business.

Choose one answer.

- ☐ Bar
- ☒ Restaurant or cafe
- ☐ Live entertainment venue
- ☐ Retail
- ☐ Other _____

Food and alcohol

7.2

Will you be serving these items?

Choose one answer.

☐ Food

i Include a copy of your permit to operate from the Department of Public Health. You must provide this before a permit can be issued.

☐ Alcohol

i Include a copy of your permit to operate from the Department of Public Health. You must provide this before a permit can be issued.

☒ Both food and alcohol

i Include a copy of your permit to operate from the Department of Public Health. You must provide this before a permit can be issued.

☐ Neither

Continue 7. Business activity on next page →

 You only need to answer this if you selected "Alcohol" or "Both food and alcohol" on question 7.2.

Liquor license

7.3

Do you have a liquor license?

You need a liquor license to serve alcohol at your business.

Choose one answer.

- ☒ Yes, I have a liquor license
- ☐ Yes, I have a temporary liquor license
- ☐ No, but I have applied for a liquor license

 You only need to answer this if you selected "Alcohol" or "Both food and alcohol" on question 7.2.

Liquor license type

7.4

Liquor license type

Select all that apply.

- ☒ Type 41
- ☐ Type 47
- ☐ Type 48
- ☐ Type 90
- ☐ Other _____

 You only need to answer this if you selected "Alcohol" or "Both food and alcohol" on question 7.2.

Liquor license permit number

7.5

Liquor license permit number

If you don't know it, you can look it up at <https://www.abc.ca.gov/licensing/license-lookup/>

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-  Attach a copy of your liquor license. You must provide this before a permit can be issued.

8. Proposed hours

Your business hours

Include all hours you are open even when you do not plan to have entertainment.

Additional details:

8.1

Your hours of operation for your business.

For each day you are open, enter your hours as 4 digits, like 09:00 am.

Monday	7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Tuesday	7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Wednesday	7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Thursday	7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Friday	7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday	7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

 You only need to answer this if you selected "Indoor entertainment" on question 2.1.

Indoor entertainment hours

Only include the hours you plan to have indoor entertainment.

Additional details:

We will primarily host entertainment on weekends ending by 5pm, but would like the option to host daily 9am - 10pm for special events, buy outs, etc. Entertainment between 9am - 12pm and 5pm - 10pm doors will be closed, doors open 12pm - 5pm

8.2

Your proposed indoor entertainment hours.

Enter your hours as 4 digits, like 09:00 am.

Monday	9:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Tuesday	9:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Wednesday	9:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Thursday	9:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Friday	9:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Saturday	9:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Continue 8. Proposed hours on next page →

9. Entertainment details

 You only need to complete this section if you selected to apply for a Place of Entertainment (POE) or Limited Live Performance (LLP) permit on question 1.1, a Fixed Place Amplified Sound (FPAS) permit on question 1.2, or an Extended Hours Premises (EHP) permit on question 1.3.

 You only need to answer this if you selected “Indoor entertainment” on question 2.1.

Indoor
entertainment
description

9.1

Describe your proposed indoor entertainment.

We have two groups of jazz musicians that play on the weekends.
The number of musicians can range from 5 to 15 as these are ensemble groups.

 You only need to answer this if you selected “Indoor entertainment” on question 2.1.

Indoor sound
system

Soundproofing and testing are not required to receive a permit.

9.2

Describe your sound system, including soundproofing and testing you have done.

The sound systems are minimal one amp and 1 speaker with mostly acoustic instruments.

Continue 9. Entertainment details on next page →

 You only need to answer this if you selected to apply for an Extended Hours Premises (EHP) permit on question 1.3, or “Indoor entertainment” on question 2.1.

**Indoor
occupancy**

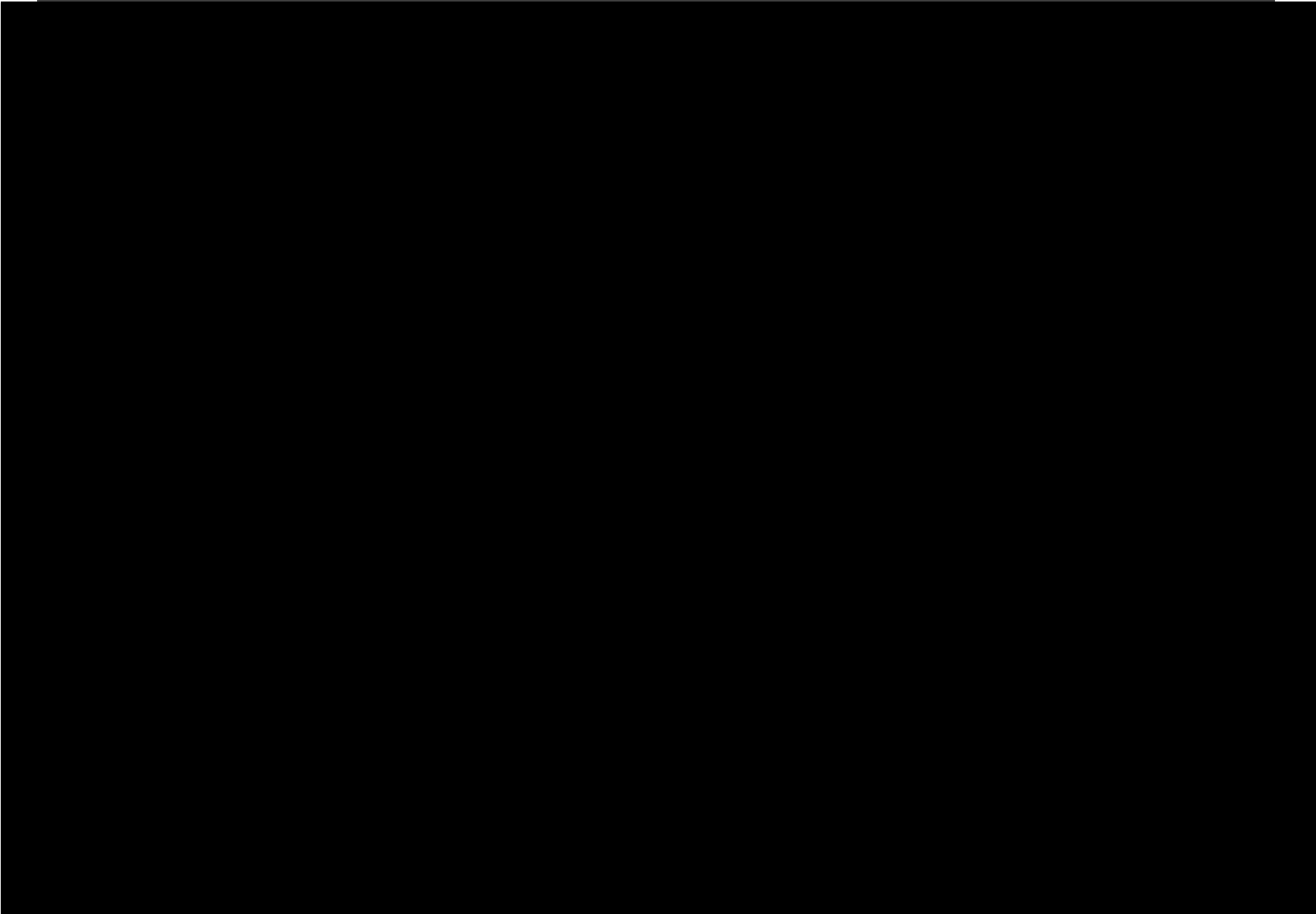
If you have a public assembly permit from the Fire Department, enter the occupancy you were approved for.

9.3

What is the occupancy of your space?

49

 If the occupancy is 50 or greater, attach a copy of your public assembly permit from the Fire Department. You must provide this before a permit can be issued.



Continue 9. Entertainment details on next page →

15. Legal agreements

Legal agreements

15.1

- ☒ I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. I understand that any false or incomplete information provided by me in connection with this application constitutes cause to either deny the requested permit or revoke the permit if granted.

 You only need to answer this if you selected to apply for a Fixed Place Amplified Sound (FPAS) permit on question 1.2, or either "Outdoor entertainment" or "Outdoor Amplified Sound (OAS)" on question 2.1.

Outdoor noise levels

15.2

- ☐ I hereby certify that the business shall comply with the maximum noise levels as established under Municipal Police Code, Article 15.1 Sec. 1060.16 for this outdoor premises, unless otherwise conditioned by the Entertainment Commission.

 You only need to answer this if you selected "Indoor entertainment" on question 2.1.

Indoor noise levels

15.3

- ☒ I hereby certify that the business shall comply with the maximum noise levels as established under Municipal Police Code Article 29 Sec. 2909(b) for indoor entertainment, unless otherwise conditioned by the Entertainment Commission.

 You only need to answer this if you selected to apply for a Place of Entertainment (POE) permit on question 1.1, or an Extended Hours Premises (EHP) permit on question 1.3.

Security plan

15.4

- ☐ I hereby certify that the business shall adhere to the Security Plan approved by the Entertainment Commission.

Continue **15. Legal agreements** on the next page →

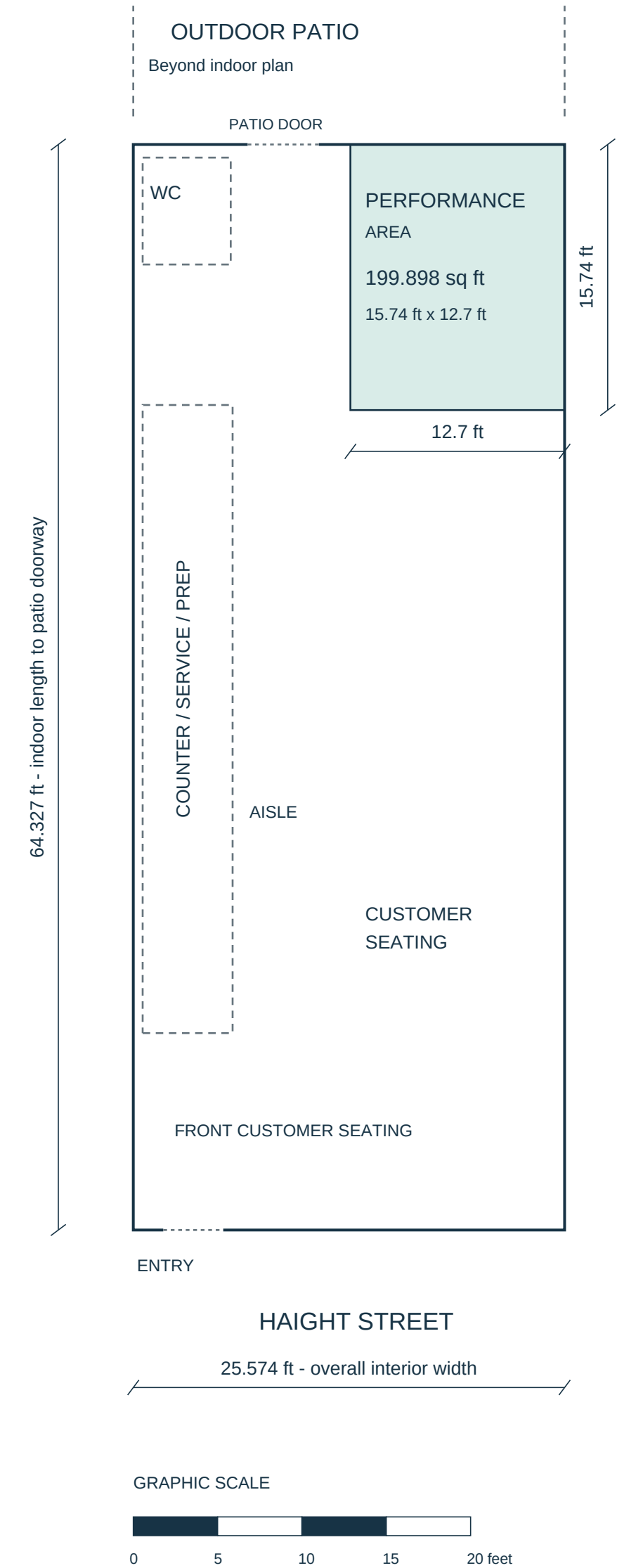
Shared spaces	15.5	☒ I acknowledge that if my entertainment is hosted in an approved Shared Spaces, Tables and Chairs, or Parklet location, my entertainment permit is only valid with a current permit from the appropriate program or a Temporary Use Authorization (TUA) from the Planning Department.
Property owner's approval	15.6	☒ I hereby certify that I have the property owner's approval to host the entertainment described in this application on the property.
Signature	15.7	Signature <u>Zahra Saleh</u> Date <u>9/17/2026</u>

CAFÉ INTERNATIONAL

508 Haight Street, San Francisco, CA

A1 | Indoor floor plan and performance area

Limited Live Performance Permit | October 2, 2026



PLAN DIMENSIONS

Indoor café

Length: 64.327 ft

Width: 25.574 ft

Rectangular area: 1,645.10 sq ft

Designated performance area

Depth: 15.74 ft

Width: 12.7 ft

Area: **199.898 sq ft**

Rear-right portion of the indoor café, before the outdoor patio.

SCALE / PRINTING

Scale: **1/8 inch = 1 foot**

Paper: **11 x 17 inches, portrait**

Print at **100% / Actual size**.

Turn off fit-to-page or shrink-to-fit.

Scale applies to the dimensioned café envelope and performance area.
Interior fixtures and door symbols are schematic.



Interior performance-area reference



NOTIFICATION PACKAGE

508 Haight St, San Francisco

APNs 37.77218207544006, -122.4307434

INCLUDES:

150' RESIDENT/OCCUPANT LIST

150' RADIUS MAP

CERTIFICATION

COUNT: 154 (duplicates consolidated)

POSTMARKED 10/06/2026

FILE #1445QB

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Date **10/06/2026**

Dear **Neighbor**

My name is **Ms Zahra Saleh**, and I am the **Owner** of **Café International**. This letter is to notify you that we are applying for a Limited Live Performance (LLP) permit with the San Francisco Entertainment Commission.

We are applying for the LLP permit so we can host **music at the Café International**. The LLP permit requires that entertainment must end by 10pm. Additionally, we are required to follow the Entertainment Commission's Good Neighbor Policy (GNP), which is included with this letter for your reference.

Our permit application will be heard by the Entertainment Commission on **Oct 20, 2026** at 5:30pm in City Hall room 416. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, or you may contact the Entertainment Commission directly: entertainment.commission@sfgov.org

Ciao

Zahra

Owner

(415) 552-7390

Cafeinternationalmusic@gmail.com



Good Neighbor Policy

1. While hosting entertainment, permit holder shall always have a staff member on site who is able to provide proof of permit, is trained in every aspect of venue operation, and is aware of all permit conditions.
2. Permit holder is responsible for the safety and security of venue patrons and the surrounding neighborhood. The Commission approved security plan shall be followed, and permit holder shall secure the sidewalk for a 100-foot radius in all directions around the premises of the business to prevent injury to persons and/or damage to property.¹ Security staff shall be placed at all entrances and exits during the period from 10:00pm to such time past closing that all patrons have left the vicinity.
3. Permit holder shall post easily visible signs outside each entrance and exit instructing patrons to:
 - a) Respect the neighborhood by keeping voices low,
 - b) Follow City & County of SF smoking regulations², and
 - c) Obey City & County of SF anti-loitering regulations.³

All signs and walkways shall be well lit. Sidewalks shall be kept clear for pedestrians. Cars shall not be double parked.
4. Permit holder shall provide a phone number to all interested neighbors for immediate contact with a staff member on site who has direct authority over the premises, knowledge of all permit conditions, and shall respond in a timely manner to address concerns.
5. Permit holder shall maintain, and be prepared to verify, records at the premises of current L.E.A.D certification⁴ for all persons working at the premises.
6. Permit holder shall maintain all entrances and exits to the building and all sidewalks within 100 feet of the premises in a clean and sanitary condition. At some point between 30 minutes after closing and 8:00am, permit holder shall walk the area within 100 feet of the property and dispose of any litter that may have been left by patrons.
7. Permit holder shall take measures to reduce the amount of sound that escapes the venue. All doors and windows must be kept closed while hosting entertainment, unless otherwise conditioned on the permit. Permit holder shall be familiar with, and abide by, sound ordinances enforced by the Entertainment Commission, including but not limited to, the following:
 - a) Regulation of Noise - Noise Limits
 - 1) Commercial & Industrial Property⁵
 - 2) Public Property⁶
 - b) Outdoor Amplified Sound Regulations⁷
 - c) Unnecessary Noise⁸
8. Within 24 hours of any violent incident, or any time SFPD responds to a call for service at the premises, permit holder shall complete and send an incident report⁹ to (1) their SFPD District Station Permit Officer and (2) the Entertainment Commission.

¹ SF Municipal Police Code Article 15.1 “security plan” definition

² SF Health Code Article 19F SEC. 1009.22(i)(1)

³ SF Municipal Police Code Article 2 Section 121(b)

⁴ <https://www.abc.ca.gov/education/lead-training/>

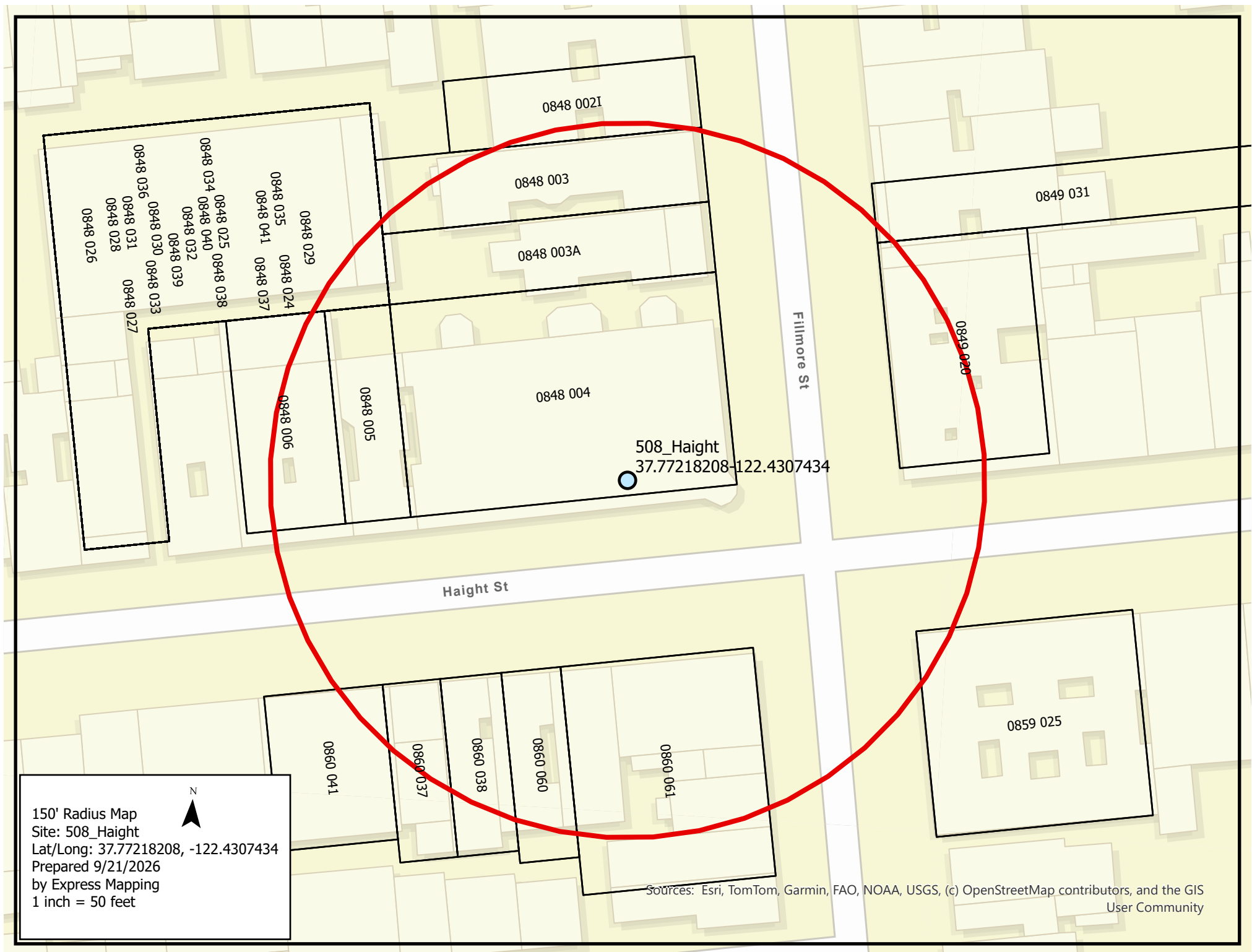
⁵ SF Municipal Police Code Article 29 Section 2909(b)

⁶ SF Municipal Police Code Article 29 Section 2909(c)

⁷ SF Municipal Police Code Article 15.1 Section 1060.16(b)(3)

⁸ SF Municipal Police Code Article 1 Section 49(b)

⁹ https://www.sfgov/sites/default/files/2022-06/Incident%20Report_Fillable.pdf



EXPRESS MAPPING
4000 BARRANCA PKWY #250, IRVINE CA 92604
PHONE OR TEXT (949) 771-0051

Certificate of Preparation

The attached list includes the names and addresses of all property RESIDENTS within 150' and occupants within 150' from the exterior boundaries of the following addresses/APNs.

ADDRESS: 508 Haight St, San Francisco
APNs: 37.77218207544006, -122.4307434

This information was obtained through First American Core Logic, a data source utilizing the county assessor rolls and other available resources. This information is generally deemed reliable, but is not guaranteed. Return of property addresses that are deemed undeliverable by the United States Postal Service, is therefore, a possibility.

Express Mapping is not responsible for providing further investigation of said labels. Acceptance of this package acknowledges this fact.



Charles Emerson
Express Mapping
orders@expressmapping.com

Date: 10/02/2026

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From: [Azevedo, Kaitlyn \(ADM\)](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Public Comment – Opposition to Limited Live Performance Permit Application, Café International (508 Haight Street)
Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2026 3:11:00 PM

Hello [REDACTED],

I am confirming receipt of your letter of opposition for Café International's LLP permit application and will include it, along with your supplemental documents, in their file for my Commission to review.

I would also like to provide a bit of context and explain that entertainment permits fall under the Entertainment Commission's purview for enforcement and that we have inspectors who respond to complaints in real time when they are in the field. If a business is found in violation of their permit, we have an enforcement escalation policy that starts with education but can also result in Notices of Violation and/or citations with a monetary fine. And, if a business is granted a permit and issues persist, the Commission can require the business to reappear before them at a hearing to potentially recondition their permit to have more restrictive days/times of entertainment. There are also legal pathways for permit suspension and revocation in serious circumstances.

Should the permit be granted, the business will have to abide by an indoor sound limit set in accordance with Municipal Police Code Article 29, which outlines the City's sound ordinance. Currently, there is no sound limit in place for the Café. Regarding your request about the doors and windows being close during entertainment, I will note that this application requests the ability to have their doors open between 12pm – 5pm, and otherwise shall be closed during entertainment outside of these hours.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Kaitlyn

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 12, 2026 6:48 AM
To: Commission, Entertainment (ADM) <entertainment.commission@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public Comment – Opposition to Limited Live Performance Permit Application, Café International (508 Haight Street)

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Dear Members of the Entertainment Commission,

I am writing to respectfully oppose the Limited Live Performance (LLP) permit application submitted by Café International, 508 Haight Street, and I ask that this letter and its attachments be entered into the record for the upcoming hearing.

This letter follows my email to the Commission dated July 5, 2026, titled "Urgent Intervention Required - Café International Harassment, Xenophobic Insults, and Threats." My name is [REDACTED], I live in San Francisco, [REDACTED]. Between September 2025 and September 2026, I filed fourteen 311 reports about this establishment, listed in Appendix A and attached to this letter. These reports were filed under 500 Haight Street, [REDACTED], but all concern Café International.

My opposition rests on the following facts:

1. **Persistent excessive noise.** Since at least September 2025, the café has played music daily and hosted live concerts on weekends, with drums, piano, saxophone, and at times a full orchestra. During the 2026 World Cup, it also broadcast matches through speakers mounted in the ceiling [REDACTED]. Concerts are held with the doors wide open. **The bass makes my walls and floor vibrate. My sound-meter readings inside my apartment, attached to the 311 reports, regularly exceed 80 decibels and reached 90 decibels on August 16, 2026.** I am routinely forced to leave my home on weekend afternoons until the music stops. This strongly impacts my ability to rest. The noise level inside the café itself is also noted by its own customers: in public online reviews, one visitor described the music as too loud for working, and another reported that the café was so loud that coworkers had trouble hearing them on video calls (Appendix B, source 3).

2. **A long record of years of regular entertainment outside the rules.** I have witnessed the nuisance caused by the café's music for three years, and I am surprised that it is applying for a permit only now. **Live entertainment at the café is not occasional: public listings describe live music most days of the week, including open mics, jazz improvisation, and weekday afternoon jam sessions (Appendix B, source 1), and list live music and live performances among the café's regular amenities (source 2).** To my knowledge, **the café has held no entertainment permit during this time, which the present application and the inspectors' repeated advice on permit requirements appear to confirm.** The 311 case closures show that inspectors informed the owner of entertainment permit requirements on October 1, 2025, twice on July 15, 2026, and twice on August 21, 2026, and spoke with the owner about volume again on September 18, 2026. Despite each of these interventions, the concerts continued. An establishment that has hosted regular live entertainment outside the rules for so long, and has ignored repeated warnings from the Commission's own inspectors, gives the Commission little reason to trust that it will respect the hours, sound limits, and conditions of an LLP permit. **This application appears to regularize years of non-compliance rather than reflect a genuine commitment to operate responsibly.**

3. **Reversal of prior compliance.** Following my complaints in 2025, the speakers located [REDACTED] were disconnected, and the situation improved for a time. In June 2026, the café resumed using those same speakers (311 report #101004336657).

4. **Conduct toward neighbors.** Despite my many complaints to the building manager and to 311, the café has never shown any consideration for my situation. On July 5, 2026, on the recommendation of the building manager, I approached the café's manager directly to resolve the issue. She responded with an **obscene gesture, told me to leave,**

and said [REDACTED] **She then asked one of the musicians to come over to intimidate me.** I reported this incident to the Commission the same day and to 311 on July 11, 2026. The manager also told me that the building owner, whom I have contacted many times, would do nothing because of the substantial rent the café pays. This conduct is **incompatible with the Commission's Good Neighbor Policy, and it means that no private remedy is available to me: the Commission's decision is the only safeguard for the residents of this building.** [REDACTED] aggressive behaviour is also reported on Postcard by other customers, like [REDACTED]: "It seems that there is a rude, uncontrolled lady messing up with normal people, from reading other reviews" (Appendix B, source 3)

5. Pressure related to my official duties. Having learned of my position at the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. Using a person's official functions as leverage in a private neighborhood dispute is entirely inappropriate. It is a further attempt to silence a resident's legitimate complaints, to interfere with his professional duties, and it may be unlawful under federal law protecting foreign officials from intimidation, harassment, and interference with the performance of their duties. I reserve the right to refer this matter to the appropriate authorities.

6. Unsuitability of the location and extension of the nuisance. The speakers sit directly beneath a residential unit, and to my knowledge no soundproofing work has ever been carried out. In this configuration, amplified live performance cannot be kept at a level compatible with residential use. Moreover, the café doors and windows are always wide open during music performances. It also published hours end at 4:30 p.m. (Appendix B, source 4), yet music already continues beyond them: in answer to a public question **on the café's Yelp page, a customer explained that the Sunday jazz sometimes runs until after closing time** (source 4). An LLP permit, which allows performances until 10 or 11 p.m., would extend the disturbance by several hours into the evening.

For these reasons, **I ask the Commission to deny this application.** Should the Commission nonetheless decide to grant it, I ask that it prohibit amplified sound from speakers located beneath residential units, require doors and windows to remain closed during all performances, require soundproofing work verified by Commission staff before any performance takes place, set strict sound limits measured inside the unit above, limit performances to the café's published business hours, and provide for prompt review and revocation if violations recur.

I am available to provide my documentation, sound measurements, and testimony.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

APPENDIX A – 311 reports concerning Café International (attached)

1. #101002648054 – Sept 20, 2025 – Daily music, weekend concerts noon to closing, full orchestra. Closed: no sound source identified at time of visit.
2. #101002685468 – Sept 27, 2025 – Daily music and weekend concerts. Closed: inspector spoke with owner about permitting requirements.
3. #101003058913 – Nov 30, 2025 – Weekend concerts continue, piano performance; establishment not in compliance. Closed: inspector responded.
4. #101003143909 – Dec 14, 2025 – Over 80 dB inside apartment; forced to leave every weekend afternoon. Closed as informational report.
5. #101003855939 – Apr 12, 2026 – Concerts resumed with powerful amplifiers; walls shaking. Filed under 528 Haight St (same establishment). Closed as informational report.
6. #101004336657 – June 28, 2026 – World Cup broadcasts; speakers beneath my floor back in use. Closed: inspector visited twice, business closed.
7. #101004363711 – July 2, 2026 – Ceiling-mounted speakers; walls vibrating. Closed: inspector visited twice, business closed.
8. #101004367598 – July 3, 2026 – Over 60 dB in living room at noon. Closed: inspector visited twice, business closed.
9. #101004379083 – July 5, 2026 – Four hours of live drums, piano, saxophone; over 80 dB. Closed: inspector spoke with owner about sound levels and permitting requirements.
10. #101004379682 – July 5, 2026 – Six hours above 60 dB; building manager not acting. Closed: inspector spoke with owner about sound levels and permitting requirements.
11. #101004414751 – July 11, 2026 – Obscene gesture and "go back to France" from the manager. Closed: inspector spoke with owner about volume and complaint.
12. #101004592599 – Aug 9, 2026 – Concerts continue after inspection; threat and "go back to your country." Closed: inspector educated owner on permit requirements.
13. #101004635486 – Aug 16, 2026 – 90 dB inside apartment; discriminatory remarks.

Closed: inspector educated owner on permitting requirements.

14. #202000062537 – Sept 13, 2026 – Live concerts resumed; over 80 dB; forced to leave home. Closed: inspector spoke with owner about volume.

APPENDIX B – Public sources (screenshots attached)

1. OuterSpatial, "Café International" point of interest: describes live music most days of the week, including open mics, jazz improv, and weekday afternoon jam sessions.

<https://www.outerspatial.com/points-of-interest/cafe-international>

2. Res-Discover, "Cafe International" listing: lists live music and live performances among the café's amenities. <https://cafe-international.res-discover.com/>

3. Postcard, "Cafe International" page: customer reviews describing loud music, including a customer whose coworkers had trouble hearing them during video calls.

<https://www.postcard.inc/places/cafe-international-san-francisco-LoXTHvLgr9H>

4. Yelp, "Cafe International" business page: published hours ending at 4:30 p.m.; "Ask the Community" answer stating that the Sunday jazz sometimes continues after closing.

<https://www.yelp.com/biz/cafe-international-san-francisco>



City and County of San Francisco
Entertainment Commission

Permit referral request

To **SFPD** **EC Sound**

Date 9/17/2026

We have received the attached application for a permit from the business listed below:

Permit(s) requested **LLP**

Entertainment Commission notes:

We have received the attached application for a Limited Live Performance permit

Name Zahra Saleh

DBA CAFE INTERNATIONAL

Street address 508 HAIGHT ST

Hearing date 10/20/2026

Except for Planning, SFPD, and SF Port, we do not need a response before the hearing date.

Please enter your recommendation below.

Your department SFPD

Your recommendation:

NO PROTEST FROM NORTHERN STATION.

Signature Ryan Walsh

Ofc. Ryan Walsh #1967

Date 9/23/26