

Jeremy and Nan Schoenwald are trying to sell Smokehouse Butcher Block.

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Astoria butcher shop on the block

Last day set for March 23

By EDWARD STRATTON The Daily Astorian

Smokehouse Butcher Block, the butcher shop opened near the Astoria Transit Center nearly two years ago, will close March 23 if the owners cannot find a buyer.

Jeremy and Nan Schoenwald, who opened the butcher shop along Ninth Street in the former Rio Cafe, said the business has been successful but too time-consuming to run along with their other venture, Port Town Property Management. They are offering up the butcher shop and three years remaining on their lease.

"We had no idea how busy we would get," Jeremy Schoenwald said. "Between the two businesses, we're at the point where we're either going to fail at both or suc-

The couple relocated to the North Coast in 2016.

Jeremy Schoenwald had stayed in Astoria previously while working on the Dredge Oregon, and later worked in local grocery store meat departments and at Gulley's Butcher Shop on Commercial Street. Nan Schoenwald, who has managed properties for 22 years, opened River and Coast Property Management, later changing the name to Port Town Property Management.

Since moving Town's offices next to Butcher Block on Ninth Street, the company has rapidly expanded, Nan Schoenwald said. Port Town now manages about two dozen commercial spaces and 175 residential units. Jeremy Schoenwald handles much of the property maintenance.

Smokehouse produced 10,000 pounds of sausages last year, but struggled with finding reliable employees and the demands of managing both businesses, he said. The couple tried to find a buyer for the butcher shop before going public, but have so far not had any

Smokehouse's last day is March 23, unless they sell out of inventory early.

"I got a 1,000-pound delivery, and we're going out strong," Jeremy Schoenwald said. "I got more smoked goodies coming in the next two weeks, and we're having great sales so everyone has an opportunity to stock up their freezers with our stuff."

The Schoenwalds have received interest from people wanting to take over their lease for other businesses, such as a restaurant. But the space is a successful, turnkey butcher shop approved by the state, Jer-

"Licensing renews as of April 1, so that's why we decided on March 23," he said. "So we're hoping anyone will come give us any inclination before. But as of March 23, we will start selling off" equipment.

emy Schoenwald said.

Portland sues Shilo Inn over unpaid hotel tax bill

By GORDON R. **FRIEDMAN** The Oregonian

Portland has filed suit against the Shilo Inn, alleging the company owes the city and Multnomah County more than \$314,000 in unpaid taxes from business at its Portland Airport hotel.

The lawsuit, Thursday, is the latest in a string of financial and legal troubles for the hotel chain and its owner, Mark Hemstreet, ranging from small claims for allegedly stiffing a contractor to a multimillion-dollar judgment against the company.

In February, Warrenton announced the city is trying to collect more than \$125,000 of unpaid lodging taxes owed by the Shilo Inn.

Hemstreet didn't return requests for comment about the Portland lawsuit. City Attorney Tracy Reeve referred questions to Deputy City Attorney Simon Whang, who declined to comment.

City attorneys regularly file suit against companies that don't pay their local business taxes. But lawsuits alleging a failure to pay hotel taxes are unusual. The city's suit against Shilo says the company didn't pay its hotel tax bill for July to December and owes \$252,000 in taxes plus \$61,000 in penalties and interest.

Shilo Inn, like all hotels in Portland and Multnomah County, collected a 17.5 percent tax on every patron's hotel bill. It did not turn that money over to the city and county as

required, the lawsuit says. On a smaller scale, Shilo Inn was sued in January by a locksmith who says the hotel didn't pay him \$148 owed for work on a padlock and keys at the chain's hotel in Newport.

"I called about a month ago to the office and faxed the invoice," wrote Jesse Day in his Lincoln County small claims filing. "Was told it would be taken care of. Never was."

The company faced a much bigger legal ordeal in 2016, when a California judge ruled the Shilo Inn defaulted on several bank loans. The penalty: \$20 million.

City attorneys in Seaside also sued Shilo in 2016 for failing to pay \$143,000 in hotel taxes owed to the city. The case was dismissed after the company paid its bill. The hotel had previously paid another \$146,000 to Seaside after it brought two similar cases.

The company, founded in 1974, has struggled in the past two decades. Twenty-seven of its 46 hotels filed for bankruptcy protection in 2001. Today, the chain has 22 locations, according to its website.

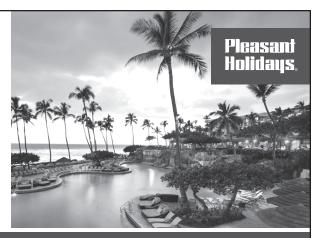


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