UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 10-Q (Mark One) X QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the Quarterly Period Ended September 30, 2019 OR TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from ____ Commission File Number 001-37379 THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) 14-1961545 Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) organization) 1624 Market Street, Suite 311, Denver, Colorado 80202 (Address of principal executive offices) Zip Code 646-624-2400 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code) Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Title of each class Trading Symbol(s) Name of each exchange on which registered Common Stock STKS Nasdaq Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes \boxtimes No \square Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes \boxtimes No \square Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer ⊠ Smaller reporting company ⊠ Emerging growth company \square If an emerging growth company, indicate by a check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes 🗆 No 🗵 Number of shares of common stock outstanding as of November 6, 2019: 28,872,952

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION Item 1. Financial Statements

THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except share information)

		(Unaudited), September 30, 2019		ember 31, 2018
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,046	\$	1,592
Accounts receivable		6,083		7,029
Inventory		1,602		1,404
Other current assets		1,802		1,471
Due from related parties, net		336		45
Total current assets		11,869		11,541
Property and equipment, net		39,996		39,347
Operating lease right-of-use assets		39,751		_
Investments		2,684		2,684
Deferred tax assets, net		11		38
Other assets		362		349
Security deposits		747		2,020
Total assets	\$	95,420	\$	55,979
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	4,934	\$	5,408
Accrued expenses	Ψ	4,302	Ψ	8,093
Deferred license revenue		191		171
Deferred gift card revenue and other		599		947
Current portion of operating lease liabilities		2,488		
Current portion of long-term debt		1,076		3,201
Total current liabilities		13,590		17,820
Total Current Havilities		15,590		17,020
Deferred license revenue, long-term		951		1,008
Due to related parties, long-term		_		1,197
Operating lease liabilities, net of current portion		54,775		_
Deferred rent and tenant improvement allowances		_		16,774
Long-term debt, net of current portion		12,255		7,118
Total liabilities		81,571		43,917
Commitments and contingencies				
Stockholders' equity:				
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value, 75,000,000 shares authorized; 28,577,487 and 28,313,017 shares issued and				
outstanding at September 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, respectively		3		3
Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2019				
and December 31, 2018, respectively		_		_
Additional paid-in capital		44,584		43,543
Accumulated deficit		(27,730)		(28,722)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(2,639)		(2,310)
Total stockholders' equity		14,218		12,514
Noncontrolling interests		(369)		(452)
Total equity		13.849		12,062
Total liabilities and equity	\$	95,420	\$	55,979

THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) (Unaudited, in thousands, except earnings per share and related share information)

	Fo	For the three months ended September 30,			tember 30, For the nine month		hs ended	l September 30.
		2019		2018		2019		2018
Revenues:								
Owned restaurant net revenues	\$	17,120	\$	15,312	\$	53,749	\$	45,908
Owned food, beverage and other net revenues		2,065		1,960		6,472		6,048
Total owned revenue	-	19,185		17,272		60,221		51,956
Management, license and incentive fee revenue		2,921		2,688		8,260		7,832
Total revenues		22,106		19,960		68,481		59,788
Cost and expenses:								
Owned operating expenses:								
Owned restaurants:								
Owned restaurant cost of sales		4,472		4,050		14,109		12,121
Owned restaurant operating expenses		10,783		9,779		33,554		28,556
Total owned restaurant expenses		15,255		13,829		47,663		40,677
Owned food, beverage and other expenses		1,971		2,068		6,455		5,782
Total owned operating expenses	-	17,226		15,897		54,118		46,459
General and administrative (including stock-based compensation of		,		,,		- 1,		,
\$338, \$337, \$975 and \$1,005 for the three and nine months ended								
September 30, 2019 and 2018 respectively)		2,352		2,266		7,706		7,937
Depreciation and amortization		1,103		896		3,049		2,575
Lease termination expenses		252		78		393		168
Pre-opening expenses		_		449		545		1,330
Transaction costs		358		_		510		
Equity in income of investee companies		_		_		_		(111)
Other expense (income), net		40		38		(226)		(139)
Total costs and expenses	-	21,331		19,624		66,095		58,219
Operating income		775		336		2,386		1,569
Other expenses, net:						,		,
Interest expense, net of interest income		230		294		717		902
Loss on early debt extinguishment		_		_		437		_
Total other expenses, net		230		294		1,154		902
Income before provision for income taxes		545		42	_	1,232		667
Provision for income taxes		76		251		157		445
Net income (loss)		469		(209)		1,075		222
		9		96		83		116
Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interest								
Net income (loss) attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	\$	460	\$	(305)	\$	992	\$	106
Currency translation loss		(40)		(170)		(329)		(104)
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	420	\$	(475)	\$	663	\$	2
Net income (loss) attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc. per share:								
Basic net income (loss) per share	\$	0.02	\$	(0.01)		0.03	\$	0.00
Diluted net income (loss) per share	\$	0.02	\$	(0.01)	\$	0.03	\$	0.00
Shares used in computing basic earnings per share		28,537,477		27,751,632		28,429,074		27,437,269
Shares used in computing diluted earnings per share		29,901,144		27,751,632		29,642,926		27,499,645
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THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (Unaudited, in thousands, except share information)

				A	dditional			A	Accumulated other					
	Commo	on stock			paid-in	A	ccumulated	co	omprehensive	Sto	ckholders'	Nor	controlling	
	Shares	Par	value		capital		deficit		loss		equity		interests	Total
Balance at December 31, 2018	28,313,017	\$	3	\$	43,543	\$	(28,722)	\$	(2,310)	\$	12,514	\$	(452)	\$ 12,062
Stock-based compensation	47,469		_		975		_		_		975		_	975
Exercise of stock options	30,000		_		66		_		_		66		_	66
Vesting of restricted shares	187,001		_		_		_		_		_		_	_
Loss on foreign currency translation, net	_		_		_		_		(329)		(329)		_	(329)
Net income	_		_		_		992		_		992		83	1,075
Balance at September 30, 2019	28,577,487	\$	3	\$	44,584	\$	(27,730)	\$	(2,639)	\$	14,218	\$	(369)	\$ 13,849

THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited, in thousands)

	For	ptember 30,			
		2019			
Operating activities:					
Net income	\$	1,075	\$	222	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization		3,049		2,575	
Stock-based compensation		975		1,005	
Loss on early debt extinguishment		437		_	
Amortization of discount on warrants and debt issuance costs		103		150	
Deferred rent and tenant improvement allowances		_		306	
Deferred taxes		27		(1)	
Income from equity method investments		_		(111)	
Gain on disposition of cost method investment		_		(185)	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable		908		(532)	
Inventory		(198)		209	
Other current assets		(332)		(301)	
Due from related parties, net		(291)		(208)	
Security deposits		1,271		(59)	
Other assets		(13)		(213)	
Accounts payable		(441)		496	
Accrued expenses		(3,951)		(423)	
Operating lease liabilities and right-of-use assets		489		_	
Deferred revenue		(130)		477	
Net cash provided by operating activities		2,978		3,407	
Investing activities:				•	
Purchase of property and equipment		(3,509)		(3,238)	
Distribution from equity method investment				40	
		_		600	
Proceeds from disposition of cost method investment					
Net cash used in investing activities		(3,509)		(2,598)	
Financing activities:					
Borrowings on revolving credit facility		4,750		_	
Repayments of revolving credit facility		(1,000)		_	
Borrowings of term loan		10,000		_	
Repayment of term loans		(4,016)		(2,108)	
Repayment of promissory notes		(6,250)		_	
Repayment of due to related parties, long-term		(1,197)		_	
Repayment of equipment financing agreement		(277)		(264)	
Repayment of business loan and security agreement		`		(62)	
Debt issuance costs		(734)		<u> </u>	
Issuance of common stock		`		1,223	
Exericse of stock options		66		_	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		1,342		(1,211)	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		(357)		(178)	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		454		(580)	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		1,592		1,548	
Cash and cash equivalents, organism of year	\$	2,046	\$	968	
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow data:	φ	2,040	Ψ	700	
••	\$	770	\$	722	
Interest paid	\$	779 193	Ф	458	
Income taxes paid Non-cash amortization of debt issuance costs	\$	35	\$	438	
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THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC. Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

Note 1 - Summary of Business and Significant Accounting Policies

Summary of Business

The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc. and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company") is a global hospitality company that develops, owns and operates, manages or licenses upscale and polished casual, high-energy restaurants and lounges and provides turn-key food and beverage ("F&B") services for hospitality venues including hotels, casinos and other high-end locations globally. Turn-key F&B services are food and beverage services that can be scaled, customized and implemented by the Company at a particular hospitality venue and customized for the client. As of September 30, 2019, the Company's primary restaurant brand is STK, a multi-unit steakhouse concept that combines a high-energy, social atmosphere with the quality and service of a traditional upscale steakhouse.

As of September 30, 2019, we owned, operated, managed or licensed 29 venues, including 19 STKs, in major metropolitan cities in North America, Europe and the Middle East and provided F&B services to three hotels and one casino in the United States and Europe.

Acquisition of Kona Grill

On October 4, 2019, the Company acquired substantially all of the assets of Kona Grill, Inc. and its affiliates ("Kona Grill"), comprising 24 Kona Grill domestic restaurants and one international franchise agreement. Kona Grill is a casual, bar-centric concept featuring American favorites, award-winning sushi, and specialty cocktails in a polished casual atmosphere. The Company purchased the assets for \$25.0 million in cash and the assumption of approximately \$11.0 million in working capital liabilities. The purchase was financed with proceeds from a credit agreement the Company entered into with Goldman Sachs Bank USA in conjunction with the acquisition. Refer to Note 19 – Subsequent Events for additional details regarding the acquisition and related financing.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2018, which has been derived from audited financial statements, and the accompanying unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"). Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in annual audited financial statements have been omitted pursuant to SEC rules and regulations. These unaudited interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018.

In the Company's opinion, the accompanying unaudited interim financial statements reflect all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring accruals and adjustments) necessary for a fair presentation of the results for the interim periods presented. The results of operations for any interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results expected for the full year. Additionally, the Company believes that the disclosures are sufficient for interim financial reporting purposes.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2019, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standard Updated ("ASU") No. 2019-07, "Codification Updates to SEC Sections – Amendments to SEC Paragraphs Pursuant to SEC Final Rule Releases No. 33-10532, Disclosure Update and Simplification, and Nos. 33-10231 and 33-10442, Investment Company Reporting Modernization and Miscellaneous Updates (SEC Update)" ("ASU 2019-07"). ASU 2019-07 updates the accounting standards codification to reflect the amendments of various SEC disclosure requirements that the agency determined were redundant, duplicative, overlapping, outdated or superseded and aligns the guidance with the requirements of certain SEC final rules. ASU 2019-07 is effective immediately. The adoption of ASU 2019-07 did not have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows

In March 2019, the FASB issued ASU No. 2019-01, "Leases (Topic 842): Codification Improvements" ("ASU 2019-01"). ASU 2019-01 provided clarification related to adopting Accounting Standard Codification Topic 842, Leases ("ASC Topic 842"). ASU 2019-01 addresses fair value determinations of underlying assets by lessors, cash flow statement presentation for financing leases, and

transition disclosures. The Company adopted ASC Topic 842 as of January 1, 2019 and considered the clarification guidance in ASU 2019-01 as part of its adoption. Refer to Note 12 for additional details regarding the adoption of ASC Topic 842.

In October 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-17, "Consolidation (Topic 810): Targeted Improvements to Related Party Guidance for Variable Interest Entities" ("ASU 2018-17"). ASU 2018-17 states that indirect interests held through related parties in common control arrangements should be considered on a proportional basis to determine whether fees paid to decision makers and service providers are variable interests. This is consistent with how indirect interests held through related parties under common control are considered for determining whether a reporting entity must consolidate a variable interest entity. ASU 2018-17 is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. Entities are required to adopt the new guidance retrospectively with a cumulative adjustment to retained earnings at the beginning of the earliest period presented. The Company is evaluating the effects of this pronouncement on its consolidated financial statements.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-13, "Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Disclosure Framework – Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurement" ("ASU 2018-13"). ASU 2018-13 eliminates, modifies and adds disclosure requirements for fair value measurements. The amendments in ASU 2018-13 are effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. The Company is evaluating the effects of ASU 2018-13 on its consolidated financial statements but does not expect the adoption of ASU 2018-13 to be material.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-15, "Intangibles – Goodwill and Other – Internal-Use Software (Subtopic 350-40): Customer's Accounting for Implementation Costs Incurred in a Cloud Computing Arrangement that is a Service Contract" ("ASU 2018-15"). ASU 2018-15 aligns the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs in cloud computing arrangements with the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred to develop or obtain internal-use software. ASU 2018-15 is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. Entities can choose to adopt the new guidance prospectively or retrospectively. The Company is evaluating the effects of this pronouncement on its consolidated financial statements.

Note 2 - Inventory

Inventory consists of the following (in thousands):

	September 30,	Γ	December 31,
	2019		2018
Food	\$ 317	\$	300
Beverages	1,285		1,104
Total	\$ 1,602	\$	1,404

Note 3 - Other Current Assets

Other current assets consist of the following (in thousands):

	September 30,	De	cember 31,
	2019		2018
Prepaid taxes	\$ 587	\$	503
Landlord receivable	195		195
Prepaid expenses	926		680
Other	94		93
Total	\$ 1,802	\$	1,471

Note 4 - Property and Equipment, net

Property and equipment, net consist of the following (in thousands):

	Sej	September 30, 2019		cember 31, 2018
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	\$	12,106	\$	10,425
Leasehold improvements		45,820		43,890
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization		(19,861)		(16,969)
Subtotal		38,065		37,346
Construction in progress		_		336
Restaurant smallwares		1,931		1,665
Total	\$	39,996	\$	39,347

Depreciation and amortization related to property and equipment amounted to \$1.1 million and \$0.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and \$3.0 million and \$2.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The Company does not depreciate construction in progress, assets not yet put into service or restaurant supplies.

Note 5 - Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses consist of the following (in thousands):

	Sep	tember 30,	Dece	mber 31,
		2019		2018
Variable rent, including disputed rent amounts	\$	1,305	\$	1,766
Legal, professional and other services		658		645
Payroll and related		802		1,794
VAT and sales taxes		259		1,028
Insurance		212		212
Income taxes and related		340		685
Due to hotels		_		203
Other		726		1,760
Total	\$	4,302	\$	8,093

Note 6 - Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt consists of the following (in thousands):

	September 30,		Dec	ember 31,
		2019		2018
Term loan agreements	\$	9,813	\$	3,828
Revolving credit facility		3,750		_
Equipment financing agreements		475		752
Promissory notes				6,250
Total long-term debt		14,038		10,830
Less: current portion of long-term debt		(1,076)		(3,201)
Less: debt issuance costs		(707)		(32)
Less: discounts on warrants, net				(479)
Total long-term debt, net of current portion	\$	12,255	\$	7,118

Interest expense for all the Company's debt arrangements, excluding the loss on early debt extinguishment and the amortization of debt issuance costs, other discounts and fees, was approximately \$0.2 million and \$0.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018 and \$0.6 million and \$0.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

As of September 30, 2019, the Company had \$1.7 million in standby letters of credit outstanding for certain restaurants. As of December 31, 2018, the Company had \$1.3 million of cash collateralized letters of credit, which are recorded as a component of security deposits on the consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2018.

Bank of America, N.A. Credit Agreement

On May 15, 2019, the Company entered into a Credit Agreement with Bank of America, N.A ("Bank of America Credit Agreement"). The Bank of America Credit Agreement was replaced with the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement described below on October 4, 2019. The Bank of America Credit Agreement provided for a secured revolving credit facility of \$10.0 million and a \$10.0 million term loan. The term loan was payable in quarterly installments, with the final payment due in May 2024. The revolving credit facility also matured in May 2024. In conjunction with entering into the Bank of America Credit Agreement, the Company incurred \$0.4 million of debt issuance costs, which were capitalized and are recorded as a direct deduction to the long-term debt, net of current portion, on the consolidated balance sheets.

The Bank of America Credit Agreement contained several financial covenants, including (a) a maximum consolidated leverage ratio of (i) 4.75 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarter ending on or prior to June 30, 2020 and (ii) 4.50 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarter thereafter and (b) a minimum consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio of 1.35 to 1.00.

The Bank of America Credit Agreement had several borrowing and interest rate options, including the following: (a) a LIBOR rate (or a comparable successor rate) or (b) a base rate equal to the greater of the prime rate, the federal funds rate plus 0.50% or the LIBOR rate for a one-month period plus 1.00%; provided that the base rate may not be less than zero. Loans under the Bank of America Credit Agreement bore interest at a rate per annum using the applicable indices plus a varying interest rate margin of between 2.75% and 3.50% (for LIBOR rate loans) and 1.75% and 2.50% (for base rate loans).

The Bank of America Credit Agreement contained customary representations, warranties and conditions to borrowing including customary affirmative and negative covenants, which include covenants that limit or restrict the Company's ability to incur indebtedness and other obligations, grant liens to secure obligations, make investments, merge or consolidate, and dispose of assets outside the ordinary course of business, in each case subject to customary exceptions for credit facilities of this size and type. As of September 30, 2019, the Company was in compliance with the covenants required by the Bank of America Credit Agreement.

On October 4, 2019, in conjunction with the acquisition of Kona Grill, the Company entered into a Credit and Guaranty Agreement with Goldman Sachs Bank USA ("Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement"), which replaced the Company's Bank of America Credit Agreement. In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019, the Company incurred \$0.3 million of debt issuance costs related to the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement, which were capitalized and are recorded as a direct deduction to the long-term debt, net of current portion, on the consolidated balance sheets. Refer to Note 19 – Subsequent Events for additional details regarding the acquisition and related financing.

Debt Extinguishment

In conjunction with entering into the Bank of America Credit Agreement on May 15, 2019, the Company prepaid the outstanding debt balances to early extinguish the \$2.6 million of outstanding term loans with BankUnited, the \$5.3 million of outstanding promissory notes with Anson Investments Master Fund LP, and the \$1.0 million outstanding promissory note with 2235570 Ontario Limited. The Company recognized a \$0.4 million loss on early debt extinguishment within other expenses, net on the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss), primarily caused by the recognition of the unamortized discounts related to warrants issued with the promissory notes and the recognition of unamortized debt issuance costs related to the debt extinguished. Additionally, the Company prepaid the \$1.2 million of outstanding cash advances due to the TOG Liquidation Trust, a related party. Please refer to Note 9 for additional details on transactions with related parties.

Note 7 - Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, inventory, accounts payable and accrued expenses are carried at cost, which approximates fair value due to their short maturities. Long-lived assets are measured and disclosed at fair value on a nonrecurring basis if an impairment is identified. There were no long-lived assets measured at fair value as of September 30, 2019.

The Company's long-term debt, including the current portion, is carried at cost on the consolidated balance sheets. Fair value of long-term debt, including the current portion, is estimated based on Level 2 inputs, except the amount outstanding on the revolving credit facility for which the carrying value approximates fair value. Fair value is determined by discounting future cash flows using interest rates available for issues with similar terms and maturities.

The estimated fair values of long-term debt, for which carrying values do not approximate fair value, are as follows (in thousands):

	Sept	ember 30,	Dec	cember 31,
		2019		2018
Carrying amount of long-term debt, including current portion (1)	\$	10,288	\$	10,830
Fair value of long-term debt, including current portion	\$	8,618	\$	7,648

(1) Excludes the discounts on warrants, net and debt issuance costs

Note 8 - Nonconsolidated Variable Interest Entities

As of September 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, the Company owned interests in the following companies, which directly or indirectly operate a restaurant:

- · 31.24% interest in Bagatelle NY LA Investors, LLC ("Bagatelle Investors")
- 51.13% aggregate interest, held directly and indirectly through other entities, in Bagatelle Little West 12th, LLC ("Bagatelle NY")

Bagatelle Investors is a holding company that has an interest in Bagatelle NY. Both entities were formed in 2011. In the second quarter of 2019, Bagatelle NY notified the Company that it had no intent to renew its sublease with the Company for the restaurant space. As a result, the Company determined that it no longer had the ability to exercise significant influence over its investees, Bagatelle Investors and Bagatelle NY. On June 30, 2019, the Company recorded its retained interests in Bagatelle Investors and Bagatelle NY as cost method investments, with the initial basis being the previous carrying amounts of the investments. Prior to June 30, 2019, the Company had accounted for its investments in these entities under the equity method of accounting based on management's assessment that it was not the primary beneficiary of these entities because it did not have the power to direct their day to day activities. The Company has provided no additional types of support to these entities other than what is contractually required.

The carrying values of these investments were as follows (in thousands):

	September 30, 2019	Dec	cember 31, 2018	
	2019	2018		
Bagatelle Investors	\$ 56	\$	56	
Bagatelle NY	2,628		2,628	
Total	\$ 2,684	\$	2,684	

There was no equity in income of investee companies for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 and for the three months ended September 30, 2018. For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the equity in income of investee companies for the equity method investments discussed above was approximately \$0.1 million.

Additionally, the Company has a management agreement with Bagatelle NY. Under this agreement, the Company recorded less than \$0.1 million of management fee revenue in each of the three months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and \$0.3 million and \$0.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The Company also receives rental income from Bagatelle NY for restaurant space that it subleases to Bagatelle NY. Rental income of approximately \$0.1 million was recorded from this entity for each of the three months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and \$0.4 million was recorded from this entity for the each of the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Net receivables from the Bagatelle Investors and Bagatelle NY included in due from related parties, net were approximately \$0.3 million and \$0.1 million as of September 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, respectively. These receivables, combined with the Company's equity in each of these investments, represent the Company's maximum exposure to loss.

In the first quarter of 2018, the Company sold its 10% interest in a cost method investment, One 29 Park, LLC, for \$0.6 million, resulting in a gain of \$0.2 million. The gain is included as a component of other income, net on the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss) for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. The investment was accounted for under the cost method of accounting. The Company had also entered into a management agreement with One 29 Park, LLC, under which the

Company recorded management fee revenue of \$0.1 million and \$0.3 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018. The management agreement with One 29 Park, LLC terminated on September 30, 2018.

Note 9 - Related Party Transactions

Net amounts due from related parties were \$0.3 million and due to related parties were \$1.2 million as of September 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, respectively. The Company has not reserved any related party receivables as of September 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

During the fourth quarter of 2016, the Company received approximately \$1.2 million in cash advances from the TOG Liquidation Trust. The TOG Liquidation Trust is a trust that was set up in connection with a 2013 merger transaction to hold previously issued and outstanding warrants held by members of the predecessor company. Amounts due to the trust were non-interest bearing and were repayable in 2021 when the trust expires. In conjunction with entering into the Bank of America Credit Agreement on May 15, 2019, the Company prepaid the \$1.2 million balance due to the TOG Liquidation Trust. As a result of the prepayment, there was no amount outstanding to the TOG Liquidation Trust as of September 30, 2019. As of December 31, 2018, the \$1.2 million balance due to the Liquidation Trust was included in due to related parties, long-term.

Please refer to Note 8 for details on other transactions with other related parties, and refer to Note 6 for details related to the Bank of America Credit Agreement.

Note 10 - Income taxes

The Company's effective income tax rate was 12.7% for the nine months ended September 30 2019 compared to 66.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. The effective income tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 was lower compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2018 primarily due to the tax rates applied to domestic and foreign income (loss). Additionally, the Company's projected annual effective tax rate differs from the statutory U.S. tax rate of 21% primarily due to the following: (i) availability of U.S. net operating loss carryforwards, resulting in no federal income taxes; (ii) a full valuation allowance on the U.S. deferred tax assets, net; (iii) taxes owed in foreign jurisdictions such as the United Kingdom, Canada and Italy; and, (iv) taxes owed in state and local jurisdictions.

The Company is subject to income taxes in the U.S. federal jurisdiction, and the various states and local jurisdictions in which it operates. Tax regulations within each jurisdiction are subject to the interpretation of the related tax laws and regulations and require significant judgment to apply. In the normal course of business, the Company is subject to examination by the federal, state, local and foreign taxing authorities.

Note 11 - Revenue from contracts with customers

The following table provides information about contract receivables and liabilities, which include deferred license revenue and deferred gift card and gift certificate revenue, from contracts with customers (in thousands):

	September 30,	J	December 31,
	2019		2018
Receivables (1)	\$ 125	\$	174
Deferred license revenue (2)	1,142		1,179
Deferred gift card and gift certificate revenue (3)	\$ 137	\$	491

- (1) Receivables are included in accounts receivable on the consolidated balance sheets.
- (2) Includes the current and long-term portion of deferred license revenue.
- (3) Deferred gift card and gift certificate revenue is included in deferred gift card revenue and other on the consolidated balance sheets.

The Company determined that the services it provides under its licensing agreements are primarily the rights to access and derive benefit from our symbolic intellectual property. As a result, the initial license fees and upfront fees are recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the license agreement as a component of management, license and incentive fee revenue on the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss). Sales-based royalties are recognized as licensee restaurant sales occur.

Significant changes in deferred license revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 were as follows (in thousands):

Deferred license revenue, as of December 31, 2018	\$ 1,179
Additions to deferred license revenue	111
Revenue recognized during the period	 (148)
Deferred license revenue, as of September 30, 2019	\$ 1,142

As of September 30, 2019, the estimated deferred license revenue to be recognized in the future related to performance obligations that are unsatisfied as of September 30, 2019 was as follows (in thousands):

2019, nine months remaining	\$ 48
2020	191
2021	191
2022	166
2023	135
Thereafter	411
Total future estimated deferred license revenue	\$ 1,142

Proceeds from the sale of gift cards and gift certificates are recorded as deferred revenue and recognized as revenue when redeemed by the holder. There are no expiration dates on the Company's gift card and gift certificates and the Company does not charge any service fees that would result in a decrease to a customer's available balance. Although the Company will continue to honor all gift card and gift certificates presented for payment, it may determine the likelihood of redemption to be remote for certain gift cards and gift certificates due to, among other things, long periods of inactivity. In these circumstances, to the extent the Company determines there is no requirement for remitting balances to government agencies under unclaimed property laws, outstanding gift card and gift certificate balances may then be recognized as breakage in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss) as a component of owned food, beverage and other net revenues.

Significant changes in deferred gift card and gift certificate revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 were as follows (in thousands):

Deferred gift card and gift certificate revenue, as of December 31, 2018	¢	491
Deterred gift card and gift certificate revenue, as of December 31, 2018	Ф	491
Additions to deferred gift card and gift certificates revenue		353
Revenue recognized during the period related to redemptions		(707)
Deferred gift card and gift certificate revenue, as of September 30, 2019	\$	137

The Company recognized revenue of \$0.2 million and \$0.1 million related to our contract liabilities, which include deferred license revenue and deferred gift card and gift certificate revenue, in the three months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and \$0.9 million and \$0.6 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Note 12 - Leases

The Company adopted ASC Topic 842 as of January 1, 2019 using the optional transition method and has applied its transition provisions at the beginning of the period of adoption. As a result, the Company did not restate comparative periods. Under this transition provision, the Company has applied the legacy guidance under Accounting Standard Codification Topic 840, Leases, including its disclosure requirements, in the comparative periods presented.

Under ASC Topic 842, a lease is a contract, or part of a contract, that conveys the right to control the use of identified property, plant or equipment for a period of time in exchange for consideration. The Company's contracts determined to be or contain a lease include explicitly or implicitly identified assets where the Company has the right to substantially all of the economic benefits of the assets and has the ability to direct how and for what purpose the assets are used during the lease term. Leases are classified as either operating or financing. For operating leases, the Company has recognized a lease liability equal to the present value of the remaining lease payments, and a right of use asset equal to the lease liability, subject to certain adjustments, such as prepaid rents, initial direct costs and lease incentives received from the lessor. The Company used its incremental borrowing rate to determine the present value of the lease payments. The Company's incremental borrowing rate is the rate of interest that it would have to borrow on a collateralized basis over a similar term an amount equal to the lease payments in a similar economic environment.

ASC Topic 842 and, as a result, did not reassess the lease classification of existing contracts or leases or the initial direct costs associated with existing leases. The Company has made an accounting policy election not to recognize right of use assets and lease liabilities for leases with a lease term of 12 months or less, including renewal options that are reasonably certain to be exercised, that also do not include an option to purchase the underlying asset that is reasonably certain of exercise. Instead, lease payments for these leases are recognized as lease cost on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Additionally, the Company has elected not to separate the accounting for lease components and non-lease components, for all leased assets.

The Company did not elect the hindsight practical expedient, and therefore the Company did not reassess its historical conclusions with regards to whether renewal option periods should be included in the terms of its leases. Given the importance of each of its restaurant locations to its operations, the Company historically concluded that it was reasonably assured of exercising all renewal periods included in its leases as failure to exercise such options would result in an economic penalty. The Company also did not elect the portfolio approach practical expedient, which permits applying the standard to a portfolio of leases with similar characteristics.

Upon adoption on January 1, 2019, the Company recognized right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for operating leases of \$41.8 million and \$58.9 million, respectively. The difference between the right-of-use asset and lease liability represents the net book value of deferred rent and tenant improvement allowances recognized by the Company as of December 31, 2018, which was adjusted against the right-of-use asset upon adoption of ASC Topic 842. There was no impact to the opening balance of retained earnings upon adoption.

The changes due to the adoption of ASC Topic 842 were as follows (in thousands):

	December 3	31, 2018	ASC 842 ljustments	,	January 1, 2019
Assets					
Operating lease right-of-use assets	\$	_	\$ 41,868	\$	41,868
Liabilities					
Current portion of operating lease liabilities	\$	_	\$ 3,212	\$	3,212
Operating lease liability, net of current portion		_	55,679		55,679
Deferred gift card revenue and other		947	(249)		698
Deferred rent and tenant improvement allowances	\$	16,774	\$ (16,774)	\$	_

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There was no impact to the Company's consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018.

The Company enters into contracts to lease office space, restaurant space and equipment with terms that expire at various dates through 2039. Under ASC Topic 842, the lease term at the lease commencement date is determined based on the non-cancellable period for which the Company has the right to use the underlying asset, together with any periods covered by an option to extend the lease if the Company is reasonably certain to exercise that option, periods covered by an option to terminate the lease if the Company is reasonably certain not to exercise that option, and periods covered by an option to extend (or not to terminate) the lease in which the exercise of the option is controlled by the lessor. The Company considered a number of factors when evaluating whether the options in its lease contracts were reasonably certain of exercise, such as length of time before option exercise, expected value of the leased asset at the end of the initial lease term, importance of the lease to overall operations, costs to negotiate a new lease, and any contractual or economic penalties.

Certain of the Company's leases also provide for percentage rent, which are variable lease costs determined as a percentage of gross sales in excess of specified, minimum sales targets, as well as other variable lease costs to reimburse the lessor for real estate tax and insurance expenses, and certain non-lease components that transfer a distinct service to the Company, such as common area maintenance services. These percentage rents and other variable lease costs are not included in the calculation of lease payments when classifying a lease and in the measurement of the lease liability as they do not meet the definition of in-substance, fixed-lease payments under ASC Topic 842.

The Company subleases portions of its office and restaurant space where it does not use the entire space for its operations. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019, sublease income was \$0.1 million and \$0.6 million, respectively, of which \$0.1 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, was from related party, Bagatelle NY. Refer to Note 8 for details on transactions with this related party.

ASC Topic 842 includes a number of reassessment and re-measurement requirements for lessees based on certain triggering events or conditions, including whether a contract is or contains a lease, assessment of lease term and purchase options, measurement of lease payments, assessment of lease classification and assessment of the discount rate. The Company reviewed the reassessment and re-measurement requirements and concluded that a lease for office space required reassessment as the Company had determined not to elect to exercise an option that it had previously determined it was reasonably certain to exercise. As a result, the Company remeasured the lease liability to reflect the change in lease payments, which resulted in a reduction in the operating lease liability and a corresponding adjustment to the operating lease right-of-use asset of \$1.2 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2019. In addition, there were no impairment indicators identified during the nine months ended September 30, 2019 that required an impairment test for the Company's right-of-use assets or other long-lived assets in accordance with Accounting Standard Codification Topic 360, Property, Plant, and Equipment.

The components of lease expense for the period were as follows (in thousands):

	September 30, 2019				
Lease cost					
Operating lease cost	\$	5,040			
Variable lease cost		1,811			
Short-term lease cost		273			
Sublease income		(582)			
Total lease cost	\$	6,542			
Weighted average remaining lease term – operating leases		14 years			
Weighted average discount rate – operating leases		8.22 %			

Supplemental cash flow information related to leases for the period was as follows (in thousands):

	mber 30, 2019
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of operating lease liabilities	\$ 5,212
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for operating lease obligations	\$ 1,076

As of September 30, 2019, maturities of the Company's operating lease liabilities are as follows (in thousands):

2019, three months remaining	\$ 1,844
2020	7,088
2021	6,839
2022	6,971
2023	7,117
Thereafter	69,929
Total lease payments	99,788
Less: imputed interest	(42,525)
Present value of operating lease liabilities	\$ 57,263

Note 13 – Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is computed using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period and income available to common stockholders. Diluted earnings per share is computed using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period plus the dilutive effect of all potential shares of common stock including common stock issuable pursuant to stock options, warrants, and restricted stock units.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, the earnings per share was calculated as follows (in thousands, except earnings per share and related share data):

	Three months ended September 30,				Nine months ended September 30,				
	2019			2018		2019		2018	
Net income (loss) attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	\$	\$ 460		\$ (305)		\$ 992		106	
Basic weighted average shares outstanding		28,537,477		27,751,632		28,429,074		27,437,269	
Dilutive effect of stock options, warrants and restricted share units		1,363,667		_		1,213,852		62,376	
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding		29,901,144		27,751,632		29,642,926		27,499,645	
Net income (loss) available to common stockholders per share - Basic	\$	0.02		(0.01)	\$	0.03	\$	0.00	
Net income (loss) available to common stockholders per share - Diluted	\$	0.02	\$	(0.01)	\$	0.03	\$	0.00	

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019, 1.0 million stock options, warrants and restricted share units were determined to be anti-dilutive and were therefore excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share. For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, 1.9 million stock options, warrants and restricted share units were determined to be anti-dilutive and were therefore excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share. For the three months ended September 30, 2019, all equivalent shares underlying options, warrants and restricted share units were anti-dilutive as the Company was in a net loss position.

Note 14 - Stockholders' Equity

Significant changes in stockholders' equity for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018 are as follows (in thousands):

		Additional		Accumulated other		
	Common Stock	paid-in capital	Accumulated deficit	comprehensive loss	Noncontrolling interests	Total
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$ 3	\$ 43,543	\$ (28,722)	\$ (2,310)	\$ (452)	\$ 12,062
Stock-based compensation	_	181		_		181
Loss on foreign currency translation, net	_	_	_	(160)	_	(160)
Net income (loss)	_	_	854	_	(85)	769
Balance at March 31, 2019	3	43,724	(27,868)	(2,470)	(537)	12,852
Stock-based compensation	_	456				456
Loss on foreign currency translation, net	_	_	_	(120)	_	(120)
Net (loss) income	_	_	(322)	_	159	(163)
Balance at June 30, 2019	3	44,180	(28,190)	(2,590)	(378)	13,025
Stock-based compensation	_	338	_	_		338
Exercise of stock options	_	66	_	_	_	66
Loss on foreign currency translation, net	_	_	_	(49)	_	(49)
Net income			460		9	469
Balance at September 30, 2019	\$ 3	\$ 44,584	\$ (27,730)	\$ (2,639)	\$ (369)	\$ 13,849

	Additional othe Common paid-in Accumulated compreh		Accumulated other comprehensive loss	Noncontrolling interests	Total		
Balance at December 31, 2017	\$ 3	3 5	\$ 41,007	\$ (31,979)			\$ 6,553
Adoption of ASC 606 "Revenue from contracts with customers"	_	-	´ _	(54)		_	(54)
Stock-based compensation	_	-	324		_	_	324
Loss on foreign currency translation, net	_	-	_	_	(75)	_	(75)
Net income (loss)	_	-	_	231	_	(113)	118
Balance at March 31, 2018	3	3	41,331	(31,802)	(1,631)	(1,035)	6,866
Stock-based compensation	_	-	344		``	` _	344
Gain on foreign currency translation, net	_	-	_	_	141	_	141
Net income	_	-	_	181	_	133	314
Balance at June 30, 2018	3	3	41,675	(31,621)	(1,490)	(902)	7,665
Stock-based compensation	_	-	337	_	_		337
Exercise of warrants	_	-	1,223	_	_	_	1,223
Loss on foreign currency translation, net	_	-	_	_	(68)	_	(68)
Reclassification of realized gains	_	-	_	_	(102)	_	(102)
Net (loss) income	_	-	_	(306)	_	96	(210)
Balance at September 30, 2018	\$ 3	3 5	\$ 43,235	\$ (31,927)	\$ (1,660)	\$ (806)	\$ 8,845

Note 15 - Stock-Based Compensation

Effective June 4, 2019, the Company's stockholders approved amendments to the 2013 Employee, Director and Consultant Equity Incentive Plan (the "2019 Equity Plan"). Among other things, the amendments increased the number of shares of common stock authorized for issuance under the 2019 Equity Plan by 2,300,000 shares to a new maximum aggregate limit of 7,073,922 shares. As of September 30, 2019, the Company had 2,589,077, remaining shares available for issuance under the 2019 Equity Plan.

Stock-based compensation cost was \$0.3 million for each of the three months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and \$1.0 million for each of the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Stock-based compensation is included in general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss).

Stock Option Activity

Changes in outstanding stock options during the nine months ended September 30, 2019 were as follows:

	Shares	 Weighted average exercise price	Weighted average remaining contractual life	Intrinsic value (thousands)
Outstanding at December 31, 2018	2,001,008	\$ 3.29		
Granted	68,000	2.99		
Exercised	(30,000)	2.23		
Cancelled, expired or forfeited	(193,500)	2.74		
Outstanding at September 30, 2019	1,845,508	\$ 3.35	6.13 years	\$ 810
Exercisable at September 30, 2019	1,216,508	\$ 4.04	5.19 years	\$ 302

The fair value of options granted in the nine months ended September 30, 2019 was estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions:

Expected life, in years	8.5 years
Risk-free interest rate	2.62 %
Volatility	42.0 %
Dividend yield	%

A summary of the status of the Company's non-vested stock options as of December 31, 2018 and September 30, 2019 and changes during the nine months then ended, is presented below:

		Weig	thted average
	Shares	grant	date fair value
Non-vested stock options at December 31, 2018	926,500	\$	0.91
Granted	68,000		2.99
Vested	(215,500)		1.29
Cancelled, expired or forfeited	(150,000)		0.95
Non-vested stock options at September 30, 2019	629,000	\$	0.84

As of September 30, 2019, there are 579,402 milestone-based options outstanding, and there is approximately \$0.7 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to these milestone-based options. These options vest based on the achievement of Company and individual objectives as set by the Board.

As of September 30, 2019, there is approximately \$0.4 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested awards, which will be recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.0 years.

Restricted Stock Unit Activity

The Company issues restricted stock units ("RSUs") under the 2019 Equity Plan. The fair value of these RSUs is determined based upon the closing fair market value of the Company's common stock on the grant date.

A summary of the status of RSUs and changes during the nine months ended September 30, 2019 is presented below:

		Weigh	ted average
	Shares	grant da	ate fair value
Non-vested RSUs at December 31, 2018	764,201	\$	2.54
Granted	466,905		3.05
Vested	(187,001)		2.54
Cancelled, expired or forfeited	(81,000)		2.48
Non-vested RSUs at September 30, 2019	963,105	\$	2.63

As of September 30, 2019, 150,000 RSUs subject to performance-based vesting were still outstanding. As of September 30, 2019, the Company had approximately \$1.8 million of total unrecognized compensation costs related to RSUs, which will be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.8 years.

Note 16 - Segment Reporting

The Company operates in three segments: "Owned restaurants," "Owned food, beverage and other," and "Managed and licensed operations." The Owned restaurants segment consists of leased restaurant locations and competes in the full-service dining industry. The Owned food, beverage and other segment consists of hybrid operations, such as where the Company has a leased restaurant location and also has a food and beverage agreement at the same location, typically a hotel, and offsite banquet offerings. The Managed and licensed operations segment includes all operations for which a management, incentive or license fee is received. Management agreements generate management fees on net revenue and incentive fees on operating profit as defined in the applicable management agreement. License agreements generate revenue primarily through royalties earned on net revenue at each location. Revenues associated with developmental support for licensed locations are also included within this segment.

The Company's Chief Executive Officer ("CEO"), who has been deemed the Company's Chief Operating Decision Maker, manages the business and allocates resources via a combination of restaurant sales reports and segment profit information (which is defined as revenues less operating expenses) related to the Company's three segments, or sources of revenues, which are presented in their entirety within the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss).

The Company's operating results by segment were as follows (in thousands):

		For the three months ended September 30, 2019						For the three months ended September 30, 2018								
	Owned restaurants				Managed and licensed operations		Total		Owned restaurants		Owned food, beverage and other		Managed and licensed operations			Total
Revenues:																
Owned net revenues	\$	17,120	\$	2,065	\$	_	\$	19,185	\$	15,312	\$	1,960	\$	_	\$	17,272
Management, license and incentive fee																
revenue		<u> </u>				2,921		2,921		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		2,688	_	2,688
Total revenues		17,120		2,065		2,921		22,106		15,312		1,960		2,688		19,960
Cost and expenses:																
Owned operating expenses:																
Cost of sales		4,472		_		_		4,472		4,050		_		_		4,050
Other operating expenses		10,783		_		_		10,783		9,779		_		_		9,779
Owned food, beverage and other																
expenses		_		1,971		_		1,971		_		2,068		_		2,068
Total owned operating expenses		15,255		1,971				17,226		13,829		2,068				15,897
Segment income (loss)	\$	1,865	\$	94	\$	2,921	\$	4,880	\$	1,483	\$	(108)	\$	2,688	\$	4,063
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General and administrative								2,352								2,266
Depreciation and amortization								1,103								896
Interest expense, net of interest income								230								294
Transaction costs								358								_
Other								292								565
Income before provision for income taxes							\$	545							\$	42

Revenues: Owned net revenues Management, license and incentive fee revenue	Owned restaurants 53,749	erage and other		censed erations		Total		Owned	bev	erage and		icensed	
Owned net revenues \$ Management, license and incentive fee			оре	erations		Total	wa.						
Owned net revenues \$ Management, license and incentive fee	53,749	\$ 6.472				1 Otal	res	staurants		other	op	erations	Total
Management, license and incentive fee	53,749	\$ 6.472											
_		0,772	\$	_	\$	60,221	\$	45,908	\$	6,048	\$	_	\$ 51,956
revenue													
		 		8,260		8,260						7,832	7,832
Total revenues	53,749	6,472		8,260		68,481		45,908		6,048		7,832	59,788
Cost and expenses:													
Owned operating expenses:													
Cost of sales	14,109	_		_		14,109		12,121		_			12,121
Other operating expenses	33,554	_		_		33,554		28,556		_		_	28,556
Owned food, beverage and other													
expenses		 6,455			_	6,455				5,782			5,782
Total owned operating expenses	47,663	 6,455				54,118		40,677		5,782			 46,459
Segment income (loss)	6,086	\$ 17	\$	8,260	\$	14,363	\$	5,231	\$	266	\$	7,832	\$ 13,329
General and administrative						7,706							7,937
Depreciation and amortization						3,049							2,575
Interest expense, net of interest income						717							902
Transaction costs						510							_
Loss on early debt extinguishment						437							
Equity in income of investee companies													(111)
Other Income before provision for income taxes					\$	712 1,232							\$ 1,359

The Company's total assets by segment for the periods indicated were as follows (in thousands):

	September 30, 2019]	December 31, 2018
Total assets:			
Owned restaurants	\$ 73,75	3 \$	42,971
Owned food, beverage and other operations (1)	16,20	1	7,274
Managed and licensed operations	5,46	3	5,734
Total	\$ 95,42	\$	55,979

⁽¹⁾ Includes corporate assets and unallocated corporate assets

The Company's total assets increased \$39.8 million as of September 30, 2019 compared to December 31, 2018 as a result of adopting ASC Topic 842 during the first quarter of 2019. Refer to Note 12 for additional information regarding the adoption of ASC Topic 842.

The Company's capital asset additions by segment for the periods indicated were as follows (in thousands):

	For the nine mor	For the nine months ended September 30,					
	2019		2018				
Capital assets additions:							
Owned restaurants	\$ 2,	861	\$ 2,792				
Owned food, beverage and other operations (1)		48	446				
Managed and licensed operations		_	_				
Total	\$ 3,	09	\$ 3,238				

⁽¹⁾ Includes corporate capital asset additions and unallocated corporate additions

Note 17 - Geographic Information

The following tables contain certain financial information by geographic location for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018 (in thousands):

Revenues

	For the three months ended September 30,					For the nine months ended September 30,					
	2019			2018		2019		2018			
Domestic:											
Owned restaurants	\$	17,120	\$	15,312	\$	53,749	\$	45,908			
Owned food, beverage and other operations		2,065		1,960		6,472		6,048			
Managed and licensed operations		1,545		1,469		4,827		4,797			
Total domestic revenues	\$	20,730	\$	18,741	\$	65,048	\$	56,753			
International:											
Owned restaurants		_		_		_		_			
Owned food, beverage and other operations		_		_		_		_			
Managed and licensed operations		1,376		1,219		3,433		3,035			
Total international revenues	\$	1,376	\$	1,219	\$	3,433	\$	3,035			
Total revenues	\$	22,106	\$	19,960	\$	68,481	\$	59,788			

Long-lived assets

	Sep	otember 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Domestic:			
Owned restaurants	\$	70,406	\$ 38,958
Owned food, beverage and other operations		13,054	5,375
Managed and licensed operations		42	67
Total domestic long-lived assets	\$	83,502	\$ 44,400
International:			
Owned restaurants		_	_
Owned food, beverage and other operations		_	_
Managed and licensed operations		49	38
Total international long-lived assets	\$	49	\$ 38
Total long-lived assets	\$	83,551	\$ 44,438

Note 18 - Litigation

The Company is party to claims in lawsuits incidental to its business, including lease disputes and employee-related matters. In the opinion of management, the ultimate outcome of such matters, individually or in the aggregate, will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

Note 19 - Subsequent Events

On October 4, 2019, the Company acquired substantially all of the assets of Kona Grill, Inc. and its affiliates ("Kona Grill"), comprising 24 domestic restaurants and one international franchise agreement. The Company purchased the assets for \$25.0 million in cash and the assumption of approximately \$11.0 million in working capital liabilities. The purchase was financed with proceeds from a credit and guaranty agreement the Company entered into with Goldman Sachs Bank USA on October 4, 2019 ("Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement"), which replaced the Company's Bank of America Credit Agreement

The Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement provides for a secured revolving credit facility of \$12.0 million and a \$48.0 million term loan. The term loan is payable in quarterly installments, with the final payment due in October 2024. The revolving credit facility also matures in October 2024.

The Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement contains several financial covenants, including the following:

- A minimum consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio of (i) 1.35 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarter ending on or prior to June 30, 2021 and (ii) 1.50 to 1.00 as of any fiscal quarter thereafter;
- A maximum consolidated leverage ratio of (i) 2.75 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarter ending on or prior to March 31, 2020, (ii) 2.50 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2020, (iii) 2.25 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarters ending September 30, 2020 and December 31, 2020, (iv) 2.00 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2021, (v) 1.75 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2021, (vi) 1.70 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2021, (vii) 1.65 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending December 21, 2021 and (viii) 1.50 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarter thereafter;
- · Maximum consolidated capital expenditures not to exceed (i) \$10,000,000 in 2020 and (ii) \$8,000,000 in 2021 and every fiscal year thereafter; and,
- · Minimum consolidated liquidity not to be less than \$1,500,000 at any time.

The Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement has several borrowing and interest rate options, including the following: (a) a LIBOR rate (or a comparable successor rate) subject to a 1.75% floor or (b) a base rate equal to the greatest of (i) the prime rate, (ii) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (iii) the LIBOR rate for a one-month period plus 1.00% or (iv) 4.75%. Loans under the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement bear interest at a rate per annum using the applicable indices plus a varying interest rate margin of between 5.75% and 6.75% (for LIBOR rate loans) and 4.75% and 5.75% (for base rate loans).

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The Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement contains customary representations, warranties and conditions to borrowing including customary affirmative and negative covenants, which include covenants that limit or restrict the Company's ability to incur indebtedness and other obligations, grant liens to secure obligations, make investments, merge or consolidate, and dispose of assets outside the ordinary course of business, in each case subject to customary exceptions for credit facilities of this size and type.

The Company and certain operating subsidiaries of the Company guarantee the obligations under the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement, which also are secured by liens on substantially all of the assets of the Company and its subsidiaries.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and certain information incorporated herein by reference contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act"). Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date thereof and involve risks and uncertainties that may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from the results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. These risk and uncertainties include the risk factors discussed under Item 1A. "Risk Factors" of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018. Factors that might cause actual events or results to differ materially from those indicated by these forward-looking statements include matters such as general economic conditions, consumer preferences and spending, costs, competition, restaurant openings or closings, operating margins, the availability of acceptable real estate locations, the sufficiency of our cash balances and cash generated from operations and financing activities for our future liquidity and capital resource needs, the impact on our business of Federal and State legislation, litigation, the execution of our growth strategy and other matters. We have attempted to identify forward-looking statements by terminology including "anticipates," "believes, "ongoing," "could," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "may," "appears," "suggests," "future," "likely," "goal," "plans," cts," "predicts," "should," "targets," "would," "will" and similar expressions that convey the uncertainty of future events or "continue," "potential," "projects," outcomes. You should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statement. We do not undertake any obligation to update or revise any forwardlooking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this report or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, except as required under applicable law.

General

This information should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes included in Item 1 of Part I of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and the audited consolidated financial statements and notes, and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

As used in this report, the terms "Company," "we," "our," or "us," refer to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries, taken as a whole, unless the context otherwise indicates.

Business Summary

The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc., a Delaware corporation, develops, owns and operates, manages or licenses upscale and polished casual, high-energy restaurants and lounges and provides turn-key food and beverage services for hospitality venues including hotels, casinos and other high-end locations globally. We define turn-key food and beverage ("F&B") services as services that can be scaled and implemented by us at a particular hospitality venue and customized for our clients. We were established with the vision of becoming a global market leader in the hospitality industry by melding high-quality service, ambiance, high-energy and cuisine into one great experience that we refer to as "Vibe Dining."

As of September 30, 2019, our primary restaurant brand is STK, a multi-unit steakhouse concept that combines a high-energy, social atmosphere with the quality and service of a traditional upscale steakhouse. Our F&B hospitality management services include developing, managing and operating restaurants, bars, rooftop lounges, pools, banqueting and catering facilities, private dining rooms, room service and mini bars tailored to the specific needs of high-end hotels and casinos. Our F&B hospitality clients operate global hospitality brands such as the W Hotel, Hippodrome Casino, and ME Hotels.

We opened our first restaurant in January 2004 in New York City, and, as of September 30, 2019, we owned, operated, managed or licensed 29 venues, including 19 STKs, in major metropolitan cities in North America, Europe and the Middle East. In addition, we provided food and beverage services in three hotels and one casino. We generate management and incentive fee revenue (profit sharing) from those restaurants and lounges that we do not own, but instead manage on behalf of our F&B hospitality clients. All our restaurants, lounges and F&B services are designed to create a social dining and high-energy entertainment experience within a destination location. We believe that this design and operating philosophy separates us from more traditional restaurant and foodservice competitors.

The table below reflects our venues by restaurant brand and geographic location as of September 30, 2019:

				Ven	ues			
	STK ⁽¹⁾	Bagatelle	Radio	Hideout	Marconi	Heliot	F&B Services	Total
Domestic								
Owned	10	_	_	1	_	_	1	12
Managed	1	1	_	_	_	_	_	2
Licensed	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total domestic	11	1		1			1	14
International								
Owned	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Managed	3	_	2	_	1	1	3	10
Licensed	5	_	_	_	_	_	_	5
Total international	8		2		1	1	3	15
Total venues	19	1	2	1	1	1	4	29

(1) Locations with an STK and STK Rooftop are considered one venue location. This includes the rooftop in San Diego, CA, which is a licensed location.

Kona Grill Acquisition

On October 4, 2019, we acquired substantially all of the assets of Kona Grill, Inc. and its affiliates ("Kona Grill"), comprising 24 Kona Grill domestic restaurants and one international franchise agreement. The Kona Grill restaurant brand is a casual, bar-centric concept featuring American favorites, award-winning sushi, and specialty cocktails in a polished casual atmosphere. We purchased the assets for \$25.0 million in cash and the assumption of approximately \$11.0 million in working capital liabilities. The purchase was financed with proceeds from a credit and guaranty agreement the Company entered into with Goldman Sachs Bank USA in conjunction with the acquisition ("Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement").

Executive Summary

Total revenue increased \$2.1 million, or 10.5% to \$22.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$20.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018. Total revenue increased \$8.7 million, or 14.5%, to \$68.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$59.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018.

Operating income increased approximately \$0.5 million to \$0.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 from \$0.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018. Operating income increased \$0.8 million, or 50.0%, to \$2.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 from \$1.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to the same prior year periods, the increase in operating income was primarily due to overall sales growth and profitability improvements from existing restaurants, newly owned restaurants and managed and licensed locations combined with labor and spending efficiencies. In the first quarter of 2019, we opened an owned STK restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee and a licensed STK restaurant in Doha, Qatar.

Our Growth Strategies and Outlook

Our growth model is primarily driven by the following:

Kona Grill Acquisition. On October 4, 2019, we acquired substantially all of the assets of Kona Grill, which comprised of 24 domestic restaurants and one international franchise agreement in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. Over the next twelve months, we intend to integrate Kona Grill by leveraging our corporate infrastructure, our bar-business knowledge and unique VIBE dining program, to elevate the brand experience and drive improved performance.

<u>Expansion of STK</u>. We expect to continue to expand our operations domestically and internationally through a mix of licensed and managed restaurants using a disciplined and targeted site selection process. We refer to this as our "capital light strategy" because it requires significantly less capital than expansion through owned restaurants. Under our capital light strategy, we expect to open as many as three to five STK restaurants annually primarily through management or licensing agreements, provided that we have

sufficient interest from prospective licensees, acceptable locations and quality restaurant managers available to support that pace of growth.

We have identified over 75 additional major metropolitan areas across the globe where we could grow our STK brand and F&B hospitality management services to approximately 200 locations over the foreseeable future. In the first quarter of 2019, we opened an owned STK restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee and a licensed STK restaurant in Doha, Qatar. Additionally, in October 2019, we opened a licensed STK location in San Juan, Puerto Rico. We expect to continue to grow in 2019 with the planned opening of a managed STK location in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Expansion through New F&B Hospitality Projects. We believe that we are well positioned to leverage the strength of our brands and the relationships we have developed with global hospitality providers to drive the continued growth of our food and beverage hospitality projects, which traditionally have provided us with revenue through management and incentive revenue while requiring minimal capital expenditures from us. We continue to receive inquiries regarding new services at new hospitality venues globally and continue to work with existing hospitality clients to identify and develop additional opportunities at their venues.

In October 2019, we opened one managed F&B location in Florence, Italy, which included a new restaurant brand, ANGEL Roofbar & Dining. Going forward, we expect to enter into one to two new F&B hospitality agreements annually.

<u>Increase Our Operating Efficiency and Increase Same Store Sales</u> In addition to expanding into new cities and hospitality venues, we intend to continue to increase revenue and profits in our existing operations through continued focus on high-quality, high-margin food and beverage menu items.

We expect domestic STK same store sales ("SSS") to grow between 6% and 8% in 2019. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to the same prior year periods, our domestic SSS increased 9.3% and 8.1%, respectively. We consider a domestic owned or managed restaurant to be comparable in the first full quarter following its 18th month of operation to remove the impact of new restaurant openings in comparing the operations of existing restaurants. Our comparable restaurant base for SSS consisted of nine domestic restaurants for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019.

We believe that our operating margins will improve through growth in SSS and a reduction of store-level operating expenses. Our store-level margins for owned STK locations increased 120 basis points and decreased 10 basis points for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 as compared to the same prior year periods, respectively. As of September 30, 2019, approximately 17% of our owned STK locations were in the first 18 months of operations. New restaurants generally have low store-level margins within the first 18 months of operations. As our footprint increases, we expect to benefit by leveraging system-wide operating efficiencies and best practices through the management of our general and administrative expenses as a percentage of overall revenue. We continue to look at opportunities to decrease our general and administrative expenses by outsourcing non-core activities and through increases in staff productivity.

Key Performance Indicators

We use the following key performance indicators in evaluating our restaurants and assessing our business:

<u>Number of Restaurant Openings</u>. Number of restaurant openings reflects the number of restaurants opened during a particular fiscal period. For each restaurant opening, we incur pre-opening costs, which are defined below. Typically, new restaurants open with an initial start-up period of higher than normalized sales volumes (also referred to in the restaurant industry as the "honeymoon" period), which decrease to a steady level approximately 18 to 24 months after opening. However, operating costs during this initial period are also higher than normal, resulting in restaurant operating margins that are generally lower during the start-up period of operation and increase to a steady level approximately 18 to 24 months after opening. Some new restaurants may experience a "honeymoon" period that is either shorter or longer than this time frame. We opened two restaurants in nine months ended September 30, 2019: an owned STK restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee and a licensed STK restaurant in Doha, Qatar. Additionally, in October 2019, we opened a licensed STK location in San Juan, Puerto Rico and a managed F&B location in Florence, Italy.

Average Check Average check is calculated by dividing total restaurant sales by total entrees sold for a specified period. Our management team uses this indicator to analyze trends in customers' preferences, customer expenditures and the overall effectiveness of menu changes and price increases. For comparable restaurants, our average check for the three months ended September 30, 2019 was \$107.38 compared to \$102.05 for the three months ended September 30, 2018. Our average check for SSS restaurants was \$108.15 for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$105.06 for the nine months ended September 30, 2018.

Average Comparable Restaurant Volume. Average comparable restaurant volume consists of the average sales of our comparable restaurants over a certain period of time. This measure is calculated by dividing total comparable restaurant sales in a given period by the total number of comparable restaurants in that period. This indicator assists management in measuring changes in customer traffic, pricing and development of our brand. Our average comparable restaurant volume for the three months ended September 30, 2019 and September 30, 2018 was \$2.5 million and \$2.3 million, respectively. Our average comparable unit volume for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 was \$8.0 million compared to \$7.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018.

<u>Same Store Sales</u> SSS represents total food and beverage sales at domestic owned and managed restaurants opened for at least a full 18-month period. This measure includes total revenue from our owned and managed STK locations, and it excludes revenues from our owned F&B services locations. Revenues from locations where we do not directly control the event sales force are excluded from this measure. Domestic SSS increased 9.3% for the three months ended September 30, 2019 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2018. Domestic SSS increased 8.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2018.

Key Financial Terms and Metrics

We evaluate our business using a variety of key financial measures:

Segment reporting

We operate in three segments: "Owned restaurants," "Owned food, beverage and other," and "Managed and Licensed operations."

Owned restaurants. Our Owned restaurants segment consists of leased restaurant locations and competes in the full-service dining industry.

Owned food, beverage and other. Our Owned food, beverage and other segment consists of hybrid operations, such as where we have a leased restaurant location and also have a food and beverage agreement at the same location, typically a hotel, and our offsite banquet offerings. The primary component of this segment is our operations at the W Hotel in Beverly Hills, California and activities for our major off-site events group.

<u>Managed and Licensed operations.</u> Our Managed and Licensed operations segment includes all operations for which a management, incentive or license fee is received. Management agreements generate management fees on net revenue and incentive fees on operating profit as defined in the applicable management agreement. License agreements generate revenue primarily through royalties earned on net revenue at each location. Revenues associated with developmental support for licensed locations are also included within this segment.

See Note 16 to our consolidated financial statements set forth in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for further information on our segment reporting.

Revenues

<u>Owned restaurant net revenues</u>. Owned restaurant net revenues consist of food and beverage sales by owned restaurants net of any discounts associated with each sale. For the trailing twelve months ended September 30, 2019, beverage sales comprised 35% of food and beverage sales, before giving effect to any discounts, and food sales comprised the remaining 65%. This indicator assists management in understanding the trends in gross margins of the restaurants because food costs as a percentage of food revenues are typically higher than beverage costs as a percentage of beverage revenues.

Owned food, beverage and other net revenue. Owned food, beverage and other net revenues include the sales generated by the STK restaurant at the W Hotel in Los Angeles, California and any ancillary food and beverage hospitality services at the same location. Revenues from our major off-site events group also are reflected in this segment.

<u>Management, license and incentive revenue</u>. Management, license and incentive fee revenues include: (1) management fees received pursuant to management and license agreements that are calculated based on a fixed percentage of revenues at the managed or licensed location; (2) incentive fees based on the operating profitability of a particular venue, as defined in each agreement; and (3) recognition of license fee related revenues, which are recognized over the term of the license.

We evaluate the performance of our managed and licensed properties based on sales growth, a key driver for management and license fees, and on improvements in operating profitability margins, which, combined with sales, drives incentive fee growth.

Our primary restaurant brand for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 is STK, and we specifically look at comparable sales from both owned and managed STKs to understand customer count trends and changes in average check as it relates to our primary restaurant brand.

Cost and expenses

Owned restaurant cost of sales. Owned restaurant cost of sales includes all owned restaurant food and beverage expenditures. We measure cost of goods as a percentage of owned restaurant net revenues. Owned restaurant cost of sales are generally influenced by the cost of food and beverage items, menu mix, discounting activity and restaurant level controls. Purchases of beef represented approximately 35% and 38% of our food and beverage costs for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

<u>Owned restaurant operating expenses</u>. We measure owned restaurant operating expenses as a percentage of owned restaurant net revenues. Owned restaurant operating expenses include the following:

<u>Payroll and related expenses</u>. Payroll and related expenses consist of manager salaries, hourly staff payroll and other payroll-related items, including taxes and fringe benefits. We measure our labor cost efficiency by tracking total labor costs as a percentage of owned restaurant net revenues.

<u>Occupancy</u>. Occupancy comprises all occupancy costs, consisting of both fixed and variable portions of rent, non-cash rent expense, which is a non-cash adjustment included in our Adjusted EBITDA calculation as defined below, common area maintenance charges, real estate property taxes, utilities and other related occupancy costs and is measured by considering both the fixed and variable components of certain occupancy expenses.

<u>Direct operating expenses</u>. Direct operating expenses consist of supplies, such as paper, smallwares, china, silverware and glassware, cleaning supplies and laundry, credit card fees and linen costs. Direct operating expenses are typically measured as a variable expense based on owned restaurant net revenues.

<u>Outside services</u>. Outside services include music and entertainment costs, such as the use of live DJ's, promoter costs, security services, outside cleaning services and commissions paid to event staff for banquet sales.

<u>Repairs and maintenance</u>. Repairs and maintenance consist of general repair work to maintain our facilities, and computer maintenance contracts. We expect these costs to increase at each facility as they get older.

<u>Marketing</u>. Marketing includes the cost of promoting our brands and, at times, can include the cost of goods used specifically for complementary purposes. Marketing costs will typically be higher during the first 18 months of a restaurant's operations.

General and administrative. General and administrative expenses are comprised of all corporate overhead expenses, including payroll and related benefits, professional fees, such as legal and accounting fees, insurance and travel expenses. Certain centrally managed general and administrative expenses are allocated specifically to restaurant locations and are reflected in owned restaurant operating expenses and include shared services such as reservations, events and marketing. We expect general and administrative expenses to be leveraged as we grow, become more efficient, and continue to focus on best practices and cost savings measures.

<u>Depreciation and amortization</u>. Depreciation and amortization consist principally of charges related to the depreciation of fixed assets including leasehold improvements, equipment and furniture and fixtures. Because we intend to support our growth initiatives with an increasing number of managed and licensed restaurant openings, depreciation and amortization is not expected to increase significantly in the near future.

<u>Pre-opening expenses</u>. Pre-opening expenses consist of costs incurred prior to opening an owned or managed STK restaurant at either a leased or F&B location. Pre-opening expenses are composed principally of manager salaries and relocation costs, employee payroll, training costs for new employees and lease costs incurred prior to opening. We expect these costs to decrease as we focus our growth towards our capital light model. Pre-opening expenses have varied from location to location depending on a number of factors, including the proximity of our existing restaurants; the amount of rent expensed during the construction and in-restaurant training periods; the size and physical layout of each location; the number of management and hourly employees required to operate each restaurant; the relative difficulty of the restaurant staffing process; the cost of travel and lodging for different metropolitan areas; the

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timing of the restaurant opening; and the extent of unexpected delays, if any, in obtaining necessary licenses and permits to open the restaurant.

Equity in income of subsidiaries. Equity in income of subsidiaries represents the income that we record under the cost or equity method of accounting for entities that are not consolidated. Included in this amount is our approximate 51% ownership of the Bagatelle New York restaurant, consisting of a 5.23% direct ownership interest by us and a 45.9% ownership interest through Bagatelle Investors and Bagatelle NY. As of September 30, 2019, we recorded our interests in Bagatelle Investors and Bagatelle NY as cost method investments. Prior to June 30, 2019, we had accounted for the investments in these entities under the equity method of accounting. Refer to Note 8 of our consolidated financial statements set forth in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for further information on our nonconsolidated investments.

Other Items

<u>EBITDA</u> and <u>Adjusted EBITDA</u>. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are presented in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and are supplemental measures of financial performance that are not required by, or presented in accordance with, GAAP. We define EBITDA as net income before interest expense, provision for income taxes and depreciation and amortization. We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income before interest expense, provision for income taxes, depreciation and amortization, non-cash impairment loss, non-cash rent expense, pre-opening expenses, lease termination expenses, non-recurring gains and losses, stock-based compensation and results from discontinued operations. Not all of the aforementioned items defining Adjusted EBITDA occur in each reporting period but have been included in our definitions of these terms based on our historical activity.

We believe that EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are appropriate measures of our operating performance, because they eliminate non-cash expenses that do not reflect our underlying business performance. We use these metrics to facilitate a comparison of our operating performance on a consistent basis from period to period, to analyze the factors and trends affecting our business and to evaluate the performance of our restaurants. Adjusted EBITDA has limitations as an analytical tool and our calculation of Adjusted EBITDA may not be comparable to that reported by other companies; accordingly, you should not consider it in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of our results as reported under GAAP. Adjusted EBITDA is included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q because it is a key measure used by management. Additionally, Adjusted EBITDA is frequently used by analysts, investors and other interested parties to evaluate companies in our industry. We use Adjusted EBITDA, alongside other GAAP measures such as net income, to measure profitability, as a key profitability target in our budgets, and to compare our performance against that of peer companies despite possible differences in calculation.

Please refer to table on page 32 for our reconciliation of net income to EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA.

Results of Operations

The following table sets forth certain statements of operations data for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	For the three r Septemb		For the nine mont September 3			30,	
	2019	2018		2019		2018	
Revenues:							
Owned restaurant net revenues	\$ 17,120	\$ 15,312	\$	53,749	\$	45,908	
Owned food, beverage and other net revenues	 2,065	 1,960		6,472		6,048	
Total owned revenue	19,185	17,272		60,221		51,956	
Management, license and incentive fee revenue	2,921	2,688		8,260		7,832	
Total revenues	22,106	19,960		68,481		59,788	
Cost and expenses:							
Owned operating expenses:							
Owned restaurants:							
Owned restaurant cost of sales	4,472	4,050		14,109		12,121	
Owned restaurant operating expenses	10,783	9,779		33,554		28,556	
Total owned restaurant expenses	15,255	13,829		47,663		40,677	
Owned food, beverage and other expenses	1,971	2,068		6,455		5,782	
Total owned operating expenses	17,226	15,897		54,118		46,459	
General and administrative (including stock-based compensation of \$338, \$337, \$975 and \$1,005 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018							
respectively)	2,352	2,266		7,706		7,937	
Depreciation and amortization	1,103	896		3,049		2,575	
Lease termination expenses	252	78		393		168	
Pre-opening expenses	_	449		545		1,330	
Transaction costs	358	_		510		_	
Equity in income of investee companies	_	_		_		(111)	
Other expense (income), net	40	38		(226)		(139)	
Total costs and expenses	21,331	19,624		66,095		58,219	
Operating income	775	336		2,386		1,569	
Other expenses, net:							
Interest expense, net of interest income	230	294		717		902	
Loss on early debt extinguishment	_	_		437		_	
Total other expenses, net	230	294		1,154		902	
Income before provision for income taxes	545	42		1,232		667	
Provision for income taxes	76	251		157		445	
Net income (loss)	469	(209)		1,075		222	
Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	9	96		83		116	
Net income (loss) attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	\$ 460	\$ (305)	\$	992	\$	106	

The following table sets forth certain statements of operations data as a percentage of total revenues for the periods indicated:

	For the three mo September		For the nine mo September			
	2019	2018	2019	2018		
Revenues:						
Owned restaurant net revenues	77.4 %	76.7 %	78.5 %	76.8 %		
Owned food, beverage and other net revenues	9.3 %	9.8 %	9.5 %	10.1 %		
Total owned revenue	86.8 %	86.5 %	87.9 %	86.9 %		
Management, license and incentive fee revenue	13.2 %	13.5 %	12.1 %	13.1 %		
Total revenues	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %		
Cost and expenses:						
Owned operating expenses:						
Owned restaurants:						
Owned restaurant cost of sales (1)	26.1 %	26.4 %	26.2 %	26.4 %		
Owned restaurant operating expenses (1)	63.0 %	63.9 %	62.4 %	62.2 %		
Total owned restaurant expenses (1)	89.1 %	90.3 %	88.7 %	88.6 %		
Owned food, beverage and other expenses (2)	95.5 %	105.5 %	99.7 %	95.6 %		
Total owned operating expenses (3)	89.8 %	92.0 %	89.9 %	89.4 %		
General and administrative (including stock-based compensation of 1.5%, 1.7%, 1.4% and 1.7% for the three and nine months ended						
September 30, 2019 and 2018 respectively)	10.6 %	11.4 %	11.3 %	13.3 %		
Depreciation and amortization	5.0 %	4.5 %	4.5 %	4.3 %		
Lease termination expenses	1.1 %	0.4 %	0.6 %	0.3 %		
Pre-opening expenses	0.0 %	2.2 %	0.8 %	2.2 %		
Transaction costs	1.6 %	%	0.7 %	%		
Equity in income of investee companies	%	%	%	(0.2)%		
Other expense (income), net	0.2 %	0.2 %	(0.3)%	(0.2)%		
Total costs and expenses	96.5 %	98.3 %	96.5 %	97.4 %		
Operating income	3.5 %	1.7 %	3.5 %	2.6 %		
Other expenses, net:						
Interest expense, net of interest income	1.0 %	1.5 %	1.0 %	1.5 %		
Loss on early debt extinguishment	%	%	0.6 %	%		
Total other expenses, net	1.0 %	1.5 %	1.7 %	1.5 %		
Income before provision for income taxes	2.5 %	0.2 %	1.8 %	1.1 %		
Provision for income taxes	0.3 %	1.3 %	0.2 %	0.7 %		
Net income (loss)	2.1 %	(1.0)%	1.6 %	0.4 %		
Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	0.0 %	0.5 %	0.1 %	0.2 %		
Net income (loss) attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	2.1 %	(1.5)%	1.4 %	0.2 %		

These expenses are being shown as a percentage of owned restaurant net revenues.
 These expenses are being shown as a percentage of owned food, beverage and other net revenues.
 These expenses are being shown as a percentage of total owned revenue.

The following tables show our operating results by segment for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	For the three months ended September 30, 2019						For the three months ended September 30, 2018								
	Owned restaurants		Owned food, beverage and other	1	naged and icensed perations		Total		Owned estaurants		vned food, verage and other	l	naged and icensed erations		Total
Revenues:															
Owned net revenues	\$ 17,12	20 5	\$ 2,065	\$	_	\$	19,185	\$	15,312	\$	1,960	\$	_	\$	17,272
Management, license and incentive fee															
revenue					2,921		2,921						2,688		2,688
Total revenues	17,12	20	2,065		2,921		22,106		15,312		1,960		2,688		19,960
Cost and expenses:															
Owned operating expenses:															
Cost of sales	4,47	2	_		_		4,472		4,050		_		_		4,050
Other operating expenses	10,78	3	_		_		10,783		9,779		_		_		9,779
Owned food, beverage and other															
expenses	_		1,971				1,971				2,068				2,068
Total owned operating expenses	15,25	55	1,971		_		17,226		13,829		2,068				15,897
Segment income (loss)	\$ 1,86	5 5	\$ 94	\$	2,921	\$	4,880	\$	1,483	\$	(108)	\$	2,688	\$	4,063
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General and administrative							2,352								2,266
Depreciation and amortization							1,103								896
Interest expense, net of interest income							230								294
Transaction costs							358								_
Other							292								565
Income before provision for income taxes						\$	545							\$	42

			Ow	ned food,	Mar	aged and					Ow	ned food,	Ma	naged and		
		Owned	bev	erage and	li	censed				Owned	bev	erage and	1	icensed		
	re	staurants		other	ор	erations		Total	re	staurants		other	op	perations		Total
Revenues:						,				,				,		
Owned net revenues	\$	53,749	\$	6,472	\$	_	\$	60,221	\$	45,908	\$	6,048	\$	_	\$	51,956
Management, license and incentive fee																
revenue						8,260		8,260						7,832		7,832
Total revenues		53,749		6,472		8,260		68,481		45,908		6,048		7,832		59,788
Cost and expenses:																
Owned operating expenses:																
Cost of sales		14,109		_		_		14,109		12,121		_		_		12,121
Other operating expenses		33,554		_		_		33,554		28,556		_		_		28,556
Owned food, beverage and other																
expenses				6,455				6,455				5,782				5,782
Total owned operating expenses		47,663		6,455		_		54,118		40,677		5,782		_		46,459
Segment income (loss)	\$	6,086	\$	17	\$	8,260	\$	14,363	\$	5,231	\$	266	\$	7,832	\$	13,329
General and administrative								7,706								7,937
Depreciation and amortization								3,049								2,575
Interest expense, net of interest income								717								902
Transaction costs								510								- 1
Loss on early debt extinguishment								437								
, ,																(111)
Equity in income of investee companies																(111)
Other							_	712							_	1,359
Income before provision for income taxes							\$	1,232							\$	667

The following table presents a reconciliation of net income (loss) to EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	For the three months ended September 30,					For the nine months ended September 30,				
	2019			2018		2019		2018		
Net income (loss) attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	\$	460	\$	(305)	\$	992	\$	106		
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		9		96		83		116		
Net income (loss)		469		(209)		1,075		222		
Interest expense, net of interest income		230		294		717		902		
Provision for income taxes		76		251		157		445		
Depreciation and amortization		1,103		896		3,049		2,575		
EBITDA		1,878		1,232		4,998		4,144		
Non-cash rent expense (1)		3		(52)		(86)		(141)		
Pre-opening expenses		_		449		545		1,330		
Lease termination expense (2)		252		78		393		168		
Loss on debt extinguishment		_		_		437		_		
Transaction costs (3)		358		_		510		_		
Stock-based compensation		338		337		975		1,005		
Other nonrecurring charges				145		_		145		
Adjusted EBITDA		2,829		2,189		7,772		6,651		
Adjusted EBITDA attributable to noncontrolling interest		192		153		361		317		
Adjusted EBITDA attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	\$	2,637	\$	2,036	\$	7,411	\$	6,334		

⁽¹⁾ Non-cash rent expense is included in owned restaurant operating expenses and general and administrative expense on the statement of operations and comprehensive income (loss).

Results of Operations for the Three Months Ended September 30, 2019 and 2018

Revenues

Owned restaurant net revenues. Owned restaurant net revenues increased \$1.8 million, or 11.8%, to \$17.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 from \$15.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018. This increase was primarily due to increased sales at our existing owned locations and the opening of our restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee in March 2019. SSS increased 7.9% with an average check increase of 5.2% for the three months ended September 30, 2019 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2018. Our Denver location, which opened in January 2017, was considered a comparable location for SSS in the three months ended September 30, 2019. To drive revenue, among several strategies, we have emphasized happy-hour and pre-dinner time frames. We have also emphasized group dining, banquets and events, and increased efforts in digital marketing.

Owned food, beverage and other revenues. Owned food, beverage and other revenues increased \$0.1 million, or 5.4%, to \$2.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 from \$2.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018.

Management and license fee revenue. Management and license fee revenues increased \$0.2 million, or 7.4%, to \$2.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 from \$2.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018. Management and license fee revenues increased primarily due to increased sales within our existing international managed locations in the United Kingdom and Italy, which was partially offset by the negative currency effects of a weaker British Pound and Euro. The increase was also driven by new STK licensed locations that opened in the third quarter of 2018 and in 2019, including in Mexico City, Mexico, Dubai, United Arab Emirates, and Doha, Qatar. This increase was partially offset by the loss of management fee revenue from the One 29 Park, LLC management agreement, which terminated on September 30, 2018.

⁽²⁾ Lease termination expense are costs associated with closed, abandoned and disputed locations or leases.

⁽³⁾ Transaction costs relate to costs incurred with the Kona Grill acquisition and internal costs associated withcapital raising activities, most recently the Bank of America Credit Agreement, the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement, and costs associated with the preparation of the Form S-8.

Cost and Expenses

Owned restaurant cost of sales. Food and beverage costs for owned restaurants increased approximately \$0.4 million, or 9.8%, to \$4.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 from \$4.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018. This increase was primarily due to increased sales at our existing owned locations and the opening of our restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee in March 2019. As a percentage of owned restaurant net revenues, cost of sales decreased from 26.4% for the three months ended September 30, 2018 to 26.1% for the three months ended September 30, 2019 primarily due a decreased sales mix of food to beverage sales coupled with better restaurant-level management of waste. Food revenues as a percentage of total food and beverage revenues were approximately 65% and 66% for the three months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Food costs as a percentage of food revenues are typically higher than beverage costs as a percentage of beverage revenues.

Owned restaurant operating expenses. Owned restaurant operating expenses increased \$1.0 million, or 10.2%, to \$10.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 from \$9.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018. As a percentage of owned restaurant net revenues, owned restaurant operating expenses decreased 90 basis points to 63.0% for the three months ended September 30, 2019 from 63.9% for the three months ended September 30, 2018 primarily as a result of improvements in operating expenses and labor efficiencies, which were partially offset by the opening of our owned STK restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee in March 2019.

Owned food, beverage and other expenses. Owned food, beverage and other expenses decreased \$0.1 million, or 4.8%, to \$2.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 from \$2.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 primarily due to improvements in operating expenses and labor efficiencies.

<u>General and administrative</u>. General and administrative costs increased approximately \$0.1 million, or 4.3%, to \$2.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 from \$2.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 primarily as a result of increased professional expenses. However, general and administrative costs as a percentage of total revenues decreased to 10.6% for the three months ended September 30, 2019 from 11.4% for the three months ended September 30, 2018.

<u>Depreciation and amortization</u>. Depreciation and amortization expense increased approximately \$0.2 million, or 22.2%, to \$1.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 from \$0.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018. The increase was primarily related to the opening of our restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee in March 2019.

<u>Lease termination expenses</u>. Lease termination expense increased approximately \$0.2 million to \$0.3 million for the three months ending September 30, 2019 from \$0.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018. These costs are associated with closed, abandoned and disputed locations or leases. The lease termination expenses increased primarily due to settlements paid to a landlord related to disputed lease terms and the costs to close a New York, New York corporate office.

<u>Pre-opening expenses</u>. Pre-opening expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2018 were \$0.4 million related to the development of our restaurant in San Diego, California, which opened in July 2018. There were no pre-opening expenses incurred in the three months ended September 30, 2019 because our STK restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee opened in March 2019.

Transaction costs. In the three months ended September 30, 2019, we incurred transaction costs of approximately \$0.4 million related to the Kona Grill acquisition, which closed on October 4, 2019, and the internal costs associated with entering into the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement, the proceeds of which were used to finance the Kona Grill acquisition. Refer to Note 19 to our consolidated financial statements set forth in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for details related to the acquisition and related financing.

<u>Interest expense</u>, net of interest income. Interest expense, net of interest income was approximately \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million for the three months ending September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

<u>Provision for income taxes</u>. The provision for income taxes for the three months ended September 30, 2019 was a tax expense of \$0.1 million compared to tax expense of \$0.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018. Our effective tax rate was 13.9% and 597.6% for the three months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Our projected annual effective tax rate differs from the statutory U.S. tax rate of 21% primarily due to the following: (i) availability of U.S. net operating loss carryforwards, resulting in no federal income taxes; (ii) a full valuation allowance on the U.S. deferred tax assets, net; (iii) taxes owed in foreign jurisdictions such as the United Kingdom, Canada and Italy; and, (iv) taxes owed in state and local jurisdictions.

<u>Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest.</u> Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest was negligible for the three months ended September 30, 2019 and approximately \$0.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018.

Results of Operations for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019 and 2018

Revenues

Owned restaurant net revenues. Owned restaurant net revenues increased \$7.8 million, or 17.0%, to \$53.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 from \$45.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. This increase was primarily due to increased sales at our existing owned locations and the opening of our restaurants in San Diego, California in July 2018 and Nashville, Tennessee in March 2019. SSS increased 8.7% with an average check increase of 2.9% for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2018. Our Denver location, which opened in January 2017, was considered a comparable location for SSS in the nine months ended September 30, 2019. To drive revenue, among several strategies, we have emphasized happy-hour and pre-dinner time frames. We have also emphasized group dining and increased efforts in digital marketing.

Owned food, beverage and other revenues. Owned food, beverage and other revenues increased \$0.5 million, or 8.3%, to \$6.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 from \$6.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. The increase in revenue was primarily related to the 2019 Super Bowl activities in Atlanta, Georgia for which there was not a similar event in 2018.

Management and license fee revenue. Management and license fee revenues increased \$0.5 million, or 6.4%, to \$8.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 from \$7.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. Management and license fee revenues increased related to new STK licensed locations that opened in the third quarter of 2018 or in 2019, including in Mexico City, Mexico, Dubai, United Arab Emirates, and Doha, Qatar. This increase was partially offset by the loss of management fee revenue from the One 29 Park, LLC management agreement, which terminated on September 30, 2018, as well as negative currency effects of a weaker British Pound and Euro related to our managed and license locations in the United Kingdom and Italy.

Cost and Expenses

Owned restaurant cost of sales. Food and beverage costs for owned restaurants increased approximately \$2.0 million, or 16.5%, to \$14.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 from \$12.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. This increase was primarily due to increased sales at our existing owned locations and the opening of our restaurants in San Diego, California in July 2018 and Nashville, Tennessee in March 2019. As a percentage of owned restaurant net revenues, cost of sales decreased from 26.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 to 26.2% for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 primarily due to the positive impacts of operating initiatives including reduction of restaurant-level waste coupled with selective price increases. This decrease in cost of sales was partially offset by inflation of food prices. Food revenues as a percentage of total food and beverage revenues were approximately 65% for each of the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Food costs as a percentage of food revenues are typically higher than beverage costs as a percentage of beverage revenues.

Owned restaurant operating expenses. Owned restaurant operating expenses increased \$5.0 million, or 17.5%, to \$33.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 from \$28.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. As a percentage of owned restaurant net revenues, owned restaurant operating expenses increased 20 basis points to 62.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 from 62.2% for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 primarily as a result of the openings of two owned STK restaurants in San Diego, California in July 2018 and Nashville, Tennessee in March 2019.

Owned food, beverage and other expenses. Owned food, beverage and other expenses increased \$0.7 million, or 12.1%, to \$6.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 from \$5.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. The increase in expense was primarily related to the 2019 Super Bowl activities in Atlanta, Georgia, for which there was not a similar event in 2018, and increased marketing activities from our major off-site events group.

General and administrative. General and administrative costs decreased \$0.2 million, or 2.5%, to \$7.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 from \$7.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. The decrease was primarily due to reduced external professional fees and corporate occupancy costs. General and administrative costs as a percentage of total revenues decreased 200 basis points from 13.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 to 11.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2019.

<u>Depreciation and amortization</u>. Depreciation and amortization expense increased approximately \$0.4 million, or 15.4%, to \$3.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. The

increase was primarily related to the opening of our restaurant in San Diego, California in July 2018 and our restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee in March 2019

<u>Lease termination expenses</u>. Lease termination expenses for the nine months ending September 30, 2019 and 2018 were \$0.4 million and \$0.2 million, respectively. These costs are associated with closed, abandoned and disputed locations or leases. The lease termination expenses increased primarily due to settlements paid to a landlord related to disputed lease terms and the costs to close a New York, New York corporate office.

<u>Pre-opening expenses.</u> Pre-opening expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 were \$0.5 million compared to pre-opening expenses of \$1.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. In 2018, preopening expenses were primarily related to the development of our restaurant in San Diego, California, which opened in July 2018. In 2019, our preopening expenses related to the development of our STK restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee, which opened in March 2019.

Transaction costs. In the nine months ended September 30, 2019, we incurred tansaction costs of approximately \$0.5 million. These costs were primarily related to the Kona Grill acquisition, which closed on October 4, 2019, and the internal costs associated with entering into the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement, the proceeds of which were used to finance the Kona Grill acquisition. Refer to Note 19 to our consolidated financial statements set forth in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for additional details regarding the Kona Grill acquisition and related financing. Additionally, the transaction costs include internal costs associated to entering into the Bank of America Credit Agreement on May 15, 2019 and costs to register shares on Form S-8 in conjunction with shareholder approved changes to our employee equity compensation plan. Refer to Note 6 and Note 19 to our consolidated financial statements set forth in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for details related to the Bank of America Credit Agreement and Kona Grill acquisition, respectively.

Equity in income of investee companies. Equity in income of investee companies was approximately \$0.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. We did not recognize any equity in income of investee companies for the nine months ended September 30, 2019. Refer to Note 8 of our consolidated financial statements set forth in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for further information on our nonconsolidated investments.

<u>Interest expense</u>, net of interest income. Interest expense, net of interest income was approximately \$0.7 million and \$0.9 million for the nine months ending September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Loss on early debt extinguishment. On May 15, 2019, in conjunction with entering into the Bank of America Credit Agreement, we prepaid the outstanding debt balances to early extinguish the \$2.6 million of outstanding term loans with BankUnited, the \$5.3 million of outstanding promissory notes with Anson Investments Master Fund LP, and the \$1.0 million outstanding promissory note with 2235570 Ontario Limited. We recognized a \$0.4 million loss on debt extinguishment primarily caused by the recognition of the unamortized discounts related to warrants issued with the promissory notes and the recognition of unamortized debt issuance costs related to the debt extinguished.

<u>Provision for income taxes</u>. The provision for income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 was tax expense of \$0.2 million compared to \$0.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. Our annual effective tax rate was 12.7% and 66.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Our projected annual effective tax rate differs from the statutory U.S. tax rate of 21% primarily due to the following: (i) availability of U.S. net operating loss carryforwards, resulting in no federal income taxes; (ii) a full valuation allowance on the U.S. deferred tax assets, net; (iii) taxes owed in foreign jurisdictions such as the United Kingdom, Canada and Italy; and, (iv) taxes owed in state and local jurisdictions.

Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest. Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest was approximately \$0.1 million for each of the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

On May 15, 2019, we entered into a Credit Agreement with Bank of America, N.A. The Bank of America Credit Agreement provides for a secured revolving credit facility of \$10.0 million and a \$10.0 million term loan. The term loan is payable in quarterly installments, with the final payment due in May 2024. The revolving credit facility also matures in May 2024.

The Bank of America Credit Agreement contained several financial covenants, including (a) a maximum consolidated leverage ratio of (i) 4.75 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarter ending on or prior to June 30, 2020 and (ii) 4.50 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarter thereafter and (b) a minimum consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio of 1.35 to 1.00.

The Bank of America Credit Agreement had several borrowing and interest rate options, including the following: (a) a LIBOR rate (or a comparable successor rate) or (b) a base rate equal to the greater of the prime rate, the federal funds rate plus 0.50% or the LIBOR rate for a one-month period plus 1.00%; provided that the base rate may not be less than zero. Loans under the Bank of America Credit Agreement bore interest at a rate per annum using the applicable indices plus a varying interest rate margin of between 2.75% and 3.50% (for LIBOR rate loans) and 1.75% and 2.50% (for base rate loans).

In conjunction with entering into the Bank of America Credit Agreement on May 15, 2019, we prepaid the outstanding debt balances to early extinguish the \$2.6 million of outstanding term loans with BankUnited, the \$5.3 million of outstanding promissory notes with Anson Investments Master Fund LP, and the \$1.0 million outstanding promissory note with 2235570 Ontario Limited. We recognized a \$0.4 million loss on debt extinguishment within other expenses, net on the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss), primarily caused by the recognition of the unamortized discounts related to warrants issued with the promissory notes and the recognition of unamortized debt issuance costs related to the debt extinguished. Additionally, we prepaid the \$1.2 million of outstanding cash advances due to the TOG Liquidation Trust, a related party.

On October 4, 2019, in conjunction with the acquisition of Kona Grill, we entered into a Credit and Guaranty Agreement with Goldman Sachs Bank USA ("Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement"), which replaced the Bank of America Credit Agreement. The Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement provides for a secured revolving credit facility of \$12.0 million and a \$48.0 million term loan. The term loan is payable in quarterly installments, with the final payment due in October 2024. The revolving credit facility also matures in October 2024. In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019, we incurred \$0.3 million of debt issuance costs related to the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement, which were capitalized and are recorded as a direct deduction to the long-term debt, net of current portion, on the consolidated balance sheets. Refer to Note 19 – Subsequent Events for additional details regarding the acquisition and related financing.

Our principal liquidity requirements are to meet our lease obligations, our working capital and capital expenditure needs and to pay principal and interest on our outstanding indebtedness. Subject to our operating performance, which, if significantly adversely affected, would adversely affect the availability of funds, we expect to finance our operations for at least the next 12 months, including costs of opening currently planned new restaurants, through cash provided by operations, borrowings on our Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement and construction allowances provided by landlords of certain locations

In the context of our current debt structure and projected cash needs, we believe the combination of our cash provided by operations and our Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement are adequate to support our immediate business operations and plans. As September 30, 2019, we had cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$2.0 million.

We expect that our capital expenditures, net of amounts received as landlord incentives, in 2019 will be less than prior years because we expect that that the Nashville, Tennessee STK restaurant will be the only new, owned restaurant we open in 2019. In the nine months ended September 30, 2019, we have received approximately \$0.5 million of landlord incentives which were primarily used to fund capital expenditures for the construction of new, owned restaurants. We currently anticipate our total capital expenditures for 2019, net of cash landlord incentives received, will be approximately \$5.0 million.

We expect to fund our anticipated capital expenditures for 2019 with current cash on hand, expected cash flows from operations, proceeds from expected tenant improvement allowances, and borrowings under the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement. Our future cash requirements will depend on many factors, including the pace of our expansion, conditions in the retail property development market, construction costs, the nature of the specific sites selected for new restaurants, and the nature of the specific leases and associated tenant improvement allowances available, if any, as negotiated with landlords.

Under our current capital light strategy, we plan to enter into management and license agreements for the operation of STKs where we are not required to contribute significant capital upfront. We expect to rely on our cash flow from operations and continued financing to fund the majority of our planned capital expenditures for 2019.

Our operations have not required significant working capital, and, like many restaurant companies, we have negative working capital. Revenues are received primarily in credit card or cash receipts and restaurant operations do not require significant receivables or inventories, other than our wine inventory. In addition, we receive trade credit for the purchase of food, beverages and supplies, thereby reducing the need for incremental working capital to support growth.

Cash Flows

The following table summarizes the statement of cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and September 30, 2018 (in thousands):

	For the nine months ended September :			September 30,
		2019		2018
Net cash provided by (used in):				
Operating activities	\$	2,978	\$	3,407
Investing activities		(3,509)		(2,598)
Financing activities		1,342		(1,211)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		(357)		(178)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$	454	\$	(580)

Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$3.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$3.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. The decrease was primarily attributable to the use of cash to settle working capital accounts, including accounts payable and accrued expenses. This was partially offset by improvements in net income and to changes within our working capital accounts, including converting \$1.3 million of cash collateralized letters of credit to standby letters of credit.

Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 was \$3.5 million compared to \$2.6 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2018. The difference was attributable to increased capital expenditures in 2019 for purchases of property and equipment, primarily related to the construction of our owned restaurants and general capital expenditures of existing restaurants. In the nine months ended September 30, 2019, we received \$0.5 million of landlord incentives which were primarily used to fund capital expenditures for the construction of new, owned restaurants. The receipt of the landlord incentives were reflected within the change in operating lease liabilities and right-of-use assets within net cash provided by operating activities. In the nine months ended September 30, 2018, we received of \$0.6 million of proceeds related to the sale of our interest in One 29 Park, a restaurant and rooftop bar located in a New York City hotel.

Financing Activities

Net cash provided by financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 was \$1.3 million compared to net cash used in financing activities of \$1.2 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2018. On May 15, 2019, we entered into the Bank of America Credit Agreement, which provided for a secured revolving credit facility of \$10.0 million and a \$10.0 million term loan, incurring \$0.4 million of debt issuance costs. In conjunction with entering into the Bank of America Credit Agreement, we prepaid the outstanding debt balances to early extinguish the \$2.6 million of outstanding term loans with BankUnited, the \$5.3 million of outstanding promissory notes with Anson Investments Master Fund LP, and the \$1.0 million outstanding promissory note with 2235570 Ontario Limited as well as prepaid the \$1.2 million of outstanding cash advances due to the TOG Liquidation Trust, a related party.

Capital Expenditures and Lease Arrangements

To the extent we open new company-owned restaurants, we anticipate capital expenditures would increase from the amounts described in "Investing Activities" above. Although we are committed to our capital light strategy, in which our capital investment is expected to be limited, we are willing to consider opening owned restaurants as opportunities arise. For owned restaurants, we have typically targeted an average cash investment of approximately \$3.8 million for a 10,000 square-foot STK restaurant, net of landlord contributions and equipment financing and excluding pre-opening costs. In addition, some of our existing restaurants will require capital improvements to either maintain or improve the facilities. We may add seating or provide enclosures for outdoor space in the next twelve months at some of our locations.

Our hospitality F&B services projects typically require limited capital investment from us. Capital expenditures for these projects will primarily be funded by cash flows from operations and equipment financing, depending upon the timing of these expenditures and cash availability.

We typically seek to lease our restaurant locations for periods of 10 to 20 years under operating lease arrangements, with a limited number of renewal options. Our rent structure varies from lease to lease, but our leases generally provide for the payment of both minimum and contingent (percentage) rent based on sales, as well as other expenses related to the leases (for example, our pro-rata share of common area maintenance, property tax and insurance expenses). Many of our lease arrangements include the opportunity to secure tenant improvement allowances to partially offset the cost of developing and opening the related restaurants. Generally, landlords recover the cost of such allowances from increased minimum rents. However, there can be no assurance that such allowances will be available to us on each project that we select for development.

Loan Agreements

As of September 30, 2019, our long-term debt consisted of a term loan, a revolving credit facility and equipment financing agreements for which no additional financing was available. In 2019, we made principal payments of approximately \$11.5 million towards our long-term debt, which includes \$8.9 million of early debt extinguishment payments. As of September 30, 2019, we had approximately \$14.0 million of outstanding debt to third parties. On October 4, 2019, in conjunction with the acquisition of Kona Grill, we entered into the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement, which replaced the Bank of America Credit Agreement and provides for a secured revolving credit facility of \$12.0 million and a \$48.0 million term loan.

The Bank of America Credit Agreement contained, and the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement contains, customary representations, warranties and conditions to borrowing including customary affirmative and negative covenants, which include covenants that limit or restrict our ability to incur indebtedness and other obligations, grant liens to secure obligations, make investments, merge or consolidate, and dispose of assets outside the ordinary course of business, in each case subject to customary exceptions for credit facilities of this size and type. As of September 30, 2019, we were in compliance with the covenants required by the Bank of America Credit Agreement. Based on current projections, we believe that we would continue to comply with the covenants in the Bank of America Credit Agreement, and will comply with the convenants in the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement, throughout the twelve months following the issuance of the financial statements.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not have any off-balance sheet arrangements as defined in Item 303(a)(4)(ii) of Regulation S-K.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

See Note 1 to our consolidated financial statements set forth in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for a detailed description of recent accounting pronouncements. We do not expect the recent accounting pronouncements discussed in Note 1 to have a significant impact on our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

As of January 1, 2019, we adopted Accounting Standard Codification Topic 842, Leases, ("ASC Topic 842"). Refer to Note 12 to our consolidated financial statements set forth in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for a detailed description of the impact of implementing ASC Topic 842.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

As a "smaller reporting company," as defined by Item 10 of Regulation S-K, we are not required to provide this information.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, carried out an evaluation as of the last day of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"). Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures (a) are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is timely recorded, processed, summarized and reported and (b) include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Changes in Internal Controls

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act, that occurred during the third quarter of 2019 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II — OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

We are subject to claims common to our industry and in the ordinary course of our business, including lease disputes and employee-related matter. Companies in our industry, including us, have been and are subject to class action lawsuits, primarily regarding compliance with labor laws and regulations. Defending lawsuits requires significant management attention and financial resources and the outcome of any litigation is inherently uncertain. We believe that accruals for these matters are adequately provided for in our consolidated financial statements. We do not believe the ultimate resolutions of these matters will have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position and results of operations. However, the resolution of lawsuits is difficult to predict. A significant increase in the number of these claims, or one or more successful claims under which we incur greater liabilities than is currently anticipated, could materially and adversely affect our consolidated financial statements.

Item 6. Exhibits.

(a) Exhibits required by Item 601 of Regulation S-K.

Exhibit	Description
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (Incorporated by reference to Form 8-K filed on June 5, 2014).
3.1 3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws (Incorporated by reference to Form 8-K filed on October 25, 2011).
10.1	Asset Purchase Agreement dated August 30, 2019 between Kona Grill Acquisition, LLC and Kona Grill, Inc., Kona
	Restaurant Holdings, Inc., Kona Shushi, Inc., Kona Macadamia, Inc., Kona Texas Restaurants, Inc., Kona Baltimore, Inc.,
	Kona Grill International Holdings, Inc., Kona Grill International, Inc., and Kona Grill Puerto Rico, Inc. (Incorporated by
	reference to Form 8-K filed on September 3, 2019).
10.2	Employment Agreement between Emanuel Hilario and The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc. dated September 3, 2019
	(Incorporated by reference to Form 8-K filed on September 3, 2019).
10.3	Credit and Guaranty Agreement dated October 4, 2019 with Goldman Sachs Bank USA (Incorporated by reference to Form
	8-K/A filed on October 8, 2019).
<u>31.1</u> *	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes - Oxley Act of 2002
31.1* 31.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes - Oxley Act of 2002
32.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes - Oxley Act of 2002, 18 U.S.C. Section
	<u>1350.</u>
<u>32.2*</u>	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes - Oxley Act of 2002, 18 U.S.C. Section
	<u>1350.</u>
101.CAL*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
101.INS*	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document

^{*}Filed herewith.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: November 7, 2019							
	THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC.						
	Ву:	/s/ Tyler Loy					
		Tyler Loy, Chief Financial Officer					
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I, Emanuel Hilario, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
- a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
- b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
- d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
- a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 7, 2019

/s/ Emanuel Hilario

Emanuel Hilario
Title: Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

I, Tyler Loy, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
- a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
- b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
- d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
- a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 7, 2019

/s/ Tyler Loy

Tyler Loy

Title: Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (subsections (a) and (b) of section 1350, chapter 63 of title 18, United States Code), the undersigned officer of The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), does hereby certify, to such officer's knowledge, that:

The Quarterly Report for the three months ended September 30, 2019 (the "Form 10-Q") of the Company fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: November 7, 2019 /s/ Emanuel Hilario

Emanuel Hilario
Title: Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (subsections (a) and (b) of section 1350, chapter 63 of title 18, United States Code), the undersigned officer of The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), does hereby certify, to such officer's knowledge, that:

The Quarterly Report for the three months ended September 30, 2019 (the "Form 10-Q") of the Company fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: November 7, 2019 /s/ Tyler Loy

Tyler Loy
Title: Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)