Roxy & 740 Bennett Road Orlando Incident and Records Report

Executive Summary

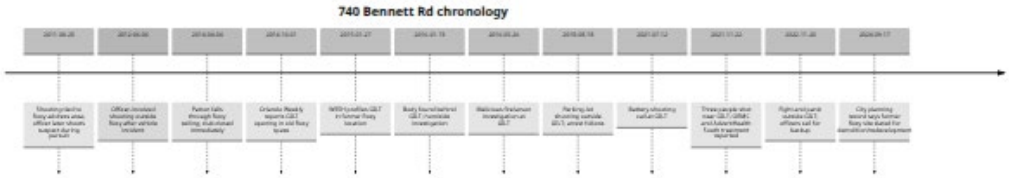
The public record supports a clear, address-based history at **740 Bennett Rd., Orlando, FL 32803** that long predates and extends beyond any single news cycle. Before GILT, the site operated as **Roxy Nightclub**; local reporting documents a 2011 shooting connected to the address area, a 2012 officer-involved shooting outside Roxy, and a 2014 injury that temporarily closed the club after a patron fell through the ceiling. Orlando Weekly then reported that **Gilt Nightclub** was opening in the former Roxy space in late 2014, and WESH described GILT in January 2015 as a total renovation of the old Roxy address. [1]

Once operating as GILT, the address continued to generate serious public incident coverage. The strongest, clearly sourced items I found are: a **2016 homicide investigation** after a body was found behind the club; a **2016 malicious-fire / arson investigation** involving a propane tank; a **2018 parking-lot shooting** with an arrest; a **2021 battery-shooting call** at the club; a separate **2021 three-victim shooting near the venue** in which victims were treated at **Orlando Regional Medical Center** and **AdventHealth South**; and a **2022 crowd-disturbance / fight response** that required backup. [2]

The corporate and licensing history is also documentable. Florida Sunbiz shows **BENNETT ROAD NIGHTCLUB, LLC** was filed on **August 19, 2013**, lists **Frederick M. Bond** and **Mitri M. Hiresh** as managers in the 2014 annual report, and shows the company became **inactive by administrative dissolution on September 26, 2025**. Separately, Florida ABT records show license **BEV5802630** tied to **Bennett Road Nightclub LLC / GILT Concert Venue** at **740 Bennett Road** in a 2023 record, while a 2025 ABT quota-license document shows the same license number associated with **EYE BY EUPHORIA LLC** at **8255 International Drive, Suite 108**. The most cautious reading is that the license number later appeared on a different venue/entity/address; I did **not** locate the underlying transfer order in this search. [3]

The City of Orlando's 2024 planning materials add an important end-point: the City's "Current Plans & Projects List" states that the **Modera Baldwin Park** project at **740 Bennett Rd and 3901 E. Colonial Dr** includes demolition of the **Roxy nightclub** and construction of a mid-rise apartment building. That is the strongest official redevelopment record I found for the site. [4]

Incident Chronology



Date	Event	What the source says
2011-04-23	Shooting / officer-involved pursuit	WFTV reported a victim was shot outside Roxy nightclub on Bennett Road, and an Orlando officer later shot the suspect, Craig LeBlanc, during a pursuit. [5]
2012-06-06	Officer-involved shooting outside Roxy	WFTV and ClickOrlando reported that Emily Cox allegedly drove at Officer Sergio Ramos outside Roxy; Ramos fired, and both Cox and Ramos were taken to the hospital. WFTV specifically named **Orlando Regional Medical Center**. [6]
2014-04-04	Ceiling fall / closure	ClickOrlando reported a man fell about 17 feet through the ceiling at Roxy, was taken to a hospital, and the club was closed immediately afterward. [7]
2014-10-01	GILT announced in old Roxy space	Orlando Weekly reported GILT would open in the old Roxy space and said Roxy had closed “for good” in August. [8]
2015-01-27	GILT opening profile	WESH described GILT as operating in the former Roxy space at 740 Bennett Rd. [9]
2016-01-13 to 2016-01-14	Body found / homicide investigation	WFTV, FOX 35, and ClickOrlando reported that Essex Taylor III was found behind GILT and that Orlando police were treating the matter as a homicide investigation. [10]
2016-05-26	Malicious fire / arson investigation	ClickOrlando reported OFD investigated a malicious fire at GILT and found a propane tank inside the club; Orlando Weekly described it as an arson attempt. [11]
2018-08-18	Parking-lot shooting / arrest	WFTV, ClickOrlando, and FOX 35 reported a shooting in the GILT parking lot and the later arrest of Peter Palacios. [12]

2021-07-12	Battery-shooting call	WFTV reported Orlando police were called to Gilt just after 2 a.m. for a battery-shooting call. [13]
2021-11-22	Three-victim shooting near GILT	ClickOrlando and WFTV reported three victims, with treatment at **Orlando Regional Medical Center** and **AdventHealth South**. [14]
2022-11-20	Fight / crowd control response	WFTV reported a fight outside GILT caused panic and officers on patrol called for backup; no major injuries were reported. [15]
2024-09-17	Redevelopment record	City planning records say the approved Modera Baldwin Park project includes demolition of the former Roxy nightclub site and construction of apartments. [4]

News and Public Records

The news file is strongest on **serious incidents**, while the public-record file is strongest on **entity history, licensing, and redevelopment**. I found enough primary and near-primary material to document: the site's nightclub continuity from Roxy to GILT; multiple police/fire incidents; manager names from Sunbiz; alcohol-license presence at the Bennett Road location; and the City's later redevelopment description. I did **not** find a clean, official public-facing page that lets me reliably extract a historical **740 Bennett Rd-specific OPD/OFD CAD list** or a **740 Bennett-specific code-enforcement case history** entirely from open web snippets. The City does, however, provide formal request mechanisms and searchable portals for those categories. [16]

The two most useful official-record clusters are these. First, **Sunbiz**: Bennett Road Nightclub, LLC was filed in 2013, its 2014 annual report names **Bond** and **Hiresh** as managers, and the current detail page shows the company inactive as of September 2025. Second, **Florida ABT**: in 2023, ABT still listed **GILT Concert Venue / Bennett Road Nightclub LLC / 740 Bennett Road** under license **BEV5802630**; by 2025, ABT's active quota list shows the same license number attached to **EYE BY EUPHORIA LLC** at a different Orlando address, while Sunbiz shows **EYE BY EUPHORIA LLC** was filed July 30, 2024 and remains active. [3]

The direct URLs below correspond to the articles and records summarized above. [17]

News article URLs

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2011-04-25  WFTV
https://www.wftv.com/news/orlando-cop-opens-fire-on-suspected-nightclub-
shoo/286626370/

2012-06-06  WFTV
https://www.wftv.com/news/local/police-officer-run-over-fires-shots-driver-
outside/288018358/
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2012-06-18 ClickOrlando
https://www.clickorlando.com/news/local/orlando/woman-shot-by-officer-at-nightclub-identified/

2014-04-04 ClickOrlando
https://www.clickorlando.com/news/2014/04/04/man-falls-through-ceiling-at-orlando-night-club/

2014-10-01 Orlando Weekly
https://www.orlandoweekly.com/news/gilt-nightclub-to-open-in-old-roxy-space-2284423/

2015-01-27 WESH
https://www.wesh.com/article/gilt-opens-in-former-roxy-nightclub/4439731

2016-01-13 WFTV
https://www.wftv.com/news/local/body-found-near-orlando-nightclub/52588839/

2016-01-13 FOX 35
https://www.fox35orlando.com/news/police-identify-body-found-behind-orlando-nightclub

2016-01-14 ClickOrlando
https://www.clickorlando.com/news/2016/01/14/orlando-police-investigate-death-of-man-found-behind-nightclub-as-homicide/

2016-05-26 ClickOrlando
https://www.clickorlando.com/news/2016/05/26/orlando-fire-department-investigates-malicious-fire-at-gilt-nightclub/

2016-05-27 Orlando Weekly
https://www.orlandoweekly.com/music/someone-tried-to-blow-up-gilt-nightclub-last-night-2495989/

2018-08-20 ClickOrlando
https://www.clickorlando.com/news/2018/08/20/arrest-made-in-shooting-at-gilt-nightclub-in-orlando/

2018-08-20 WFTV
https://www.wftv.com/news/local/police-man-injured-in-shooting-in-orlando-nightclub-parking-lot/815675791/

2018-08-20 FOX 35
https://www.fox35orlando.com/news/arrest-following-shooting-at-orlando-night-club

2021-07-12 WFTV

https://www.wftv.com/news/local/orange-county/investigation-underway-orlando-nightclub/ESEGGIK2DBCRHJS5TGQEFCHOXY/

2021-11-22 ClickOrlando
https://www.clickorlando.com/news/local/2021/11/22/man-shot-outside-orlando-bank-sparks-scare-at-nearby-nightclub/

2021-11-22 WFTV
https://www.wftv.com/news/local/man-shot-near-popular-orlando-nightclub/AB3GRWKEWVEMFPSS7BZNFLZXVA/

2021-11-22 FOX 35
https://www.fox35orlando.com/video/1004802

2022-11-20 WFTV
https://www.wftv.com/news/local/chaos-erupts-gilt-nightclub-after-fight-breaks-out/H3DR5ZRRAFCG7NQQHEWQESSQXM/

Public-record and portal URLs

Sunbiz detail: BENNETT ROAD NIGHTCLUB, LLC
https://search.sunbiz.org/Inquiry/CorporationSearch/SearchResultDetail?aggregateId=flal-l13000116663-a8ee9bdc-0557-46fa-907f-4484418e065c&directionType=CurrentList&inquirytype=EntityName&listNameOrder=BENNETTROADNIGHTCLUB+L130001166630&searchNameOrder=BENNETTROADNIGHTCLUB+L130001166630&searchTerm=BENNETT+ROAD+NIGHTCLUB%2C+LLC

Sunbiz PDF: 2014 annual report for BENNETT ROAD NIGHTCLUB, LLC
https://search.sunbiz.org/Inquiry/CorporationSearch/GetDocument?aggregateId=flal-l13000116663-a8ee9bdc-0557-46fa-907f-4484418e065c&formatType=PDF&transactionId=l13000116663-fe94bce8-3048-4ed0-a68f-ba8d24ccd8f6

Sunbiz detail: EYE BY EUPHORIA LLC
https://search.sunbiz.org/Inquiry/CorporationSearch/SearchResults?Detail=FL.DOS.Corporations.Shared.Contracts.FilingRecord&InquiryDirectionType=PreviousRecord&InquiryType=EntityName&ListNameOrder=EYEC+P020000240660&SearchNameOrder=EYEC+P020000240660&SearchTerm=EYEBROWS+AND+CIA+LLC

Florida ABT pool-buying groups PDF
https://www2.myfloridalicense.com/abt/documents/Activepoolgroupandmembers_000.pdf

Florida ABT active quota licenses PDF
https://www2.myfloridalicense.com/abt/licensing/quota_license_lists/documents/ActiveQuotasforInternetwithSecondaryStatus20.pdf

City of Orlando public records request
https://www.orlando.gov/Our-Government/Records-and-Documents/Request-a-

Public-Record

Request an Orlando Police Department record
https://www.orlando.gov/Public-Safety/OPD/OPD-Records-Open-Data/Request-an-Orlando-Police-Department-Record

OPD Records & Open Data
https://www.orlando.gov/Public-Safety/OPD/OPD-Records-Open-Data

Request an Orlando Fire Department record
https://www.orlando.gov/Public-Safety/OFD/Records/Request-an-Orlando-Fire-Department-Record

Code Enforcement & Compliance
https://www.orlando.gov/Building-Development/Code-Enforcement

Code Enforcement open-data dataset
https://data.cityoforlando.net/Economic-Development/Code-Enforcement-Cases/k6e8-nw6w

View active calls
https://www.orlando.gov/Public-Safety/View-Active-Calls

View permitting data
https://www.orlando.gov/Building-Development/Permits-Inspections/Other/View-Permitting-Data

Permit search / status lookup
https://punt-egov.aspgov.com/Click2GovBP/selectpermit.html

City planning PDF
https://www.orlando.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/departments/edv/city-planning/appendix-k-current-plans-and-projects-list-as-of-september-17-2024.pdf

Ownership Licensing and Corporate History

The corporate record is straightforward on the nightclub entity itself. **BENNETT ROAD NIGHTCLUB, LLC** was filed on **August 19, 2013**. The current Sunbiz detail page lists the **principal address as 740 Bennett Road** and identifies **Frederick Morgan Bond Jr.** and **Mitri M. Hiresh** as managers; the 2014 annual report PDF likewise lists **BOND, FREDERICK M** and **HIRESH, MITRI M** as managers. The same current detail page shows the entity became **inactive** after **administrative dissolution for annual report** on **September 26, 2025**. [18]

Local press aligns with that record. Orlando Weekly's 2014 launch piece states that the venue opening in the old Roxy space was backed by the **Bennett RD Group** and names

Fred Bond, Mitri Hiresh, and Ron Black in the project narrative. That article is not a filing, but it is useful corroboration of the management circle associated with the GILT launch. [8]

On alcohol licensing, the 2023 Florida ABT pool-buying-group PDF lists **BEV5802630**, **BENNETT ROAD NIGHTCLUB LLC**, **GILT CONCERT VENUE**, and **740 BENNETT ROAD, ORLANDO 32803** on the same line. By contrast, the 2025 ABT quota-license PDF lists **BEV5802630** as **EYE / EYE BY EUPHORIA LLC / 8255 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE, SUITE 108 / ORLANDO FL 32819**, while Sunbiz shows **EYE BY EUPHORIA LLC** was filed on **July 30, 2024**, is **active**, and lists **PLANNING FUTURE, LLC** as manager. This is strong evidence that the same license number later appears under a different entity and address, but without the underlying ABT transfer order it would be safer to describe that as a **later recorded association** rather than making a stronger claim. [19]

There are also at least two civil-case **leads** in a secondary court index. Trellis shows an **Armando Carreno v. Bennett Road Nightclub, LLC / GILT** Orange County matter with an answer filed on **January 19, 2022**, and a separate **TIN NYO, PAULA v. BENNETT ROAD NIGHTCLUB LLC** entry. Because those are secondary, partially paywalled index pages rather than verified clerk records, they should be treated only as retrieval leads for later direct clerk verification. [20]

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[1] [6] [22] https://www.wftv.com/news/local/police-officer-run-over-fires-shots-driver-outside/288018358/

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[2] https://www.clickorlando.com/news/2016/01/14/orlando-police-investigate-death-of-man-found-behind-nightclub-as-homicide/

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[3] [16] [18] [21] Detail by Entity Name

https://search.sunbiz.org/Inquiry/CorporationSearch/SearchResultDetail?aggregateId=flal-l13000116663-a8ee9bdc-0557-46fa-907f-4484418e065c&directionType=CurrentList&inquirytype=EntityName&listNameOrder=BENNETTROADNIGHTCLUB+L130001166630&searchNameOrder=BENNETTROADNIGHTCLUB+L130001166630&searchTerm=BENNETT+ROAD+NIGHTCLUB%2C+LLC

[4] https://www.orlando.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/departments/edv/city-planning/appendix-k-current-plans-and-projects-list-as-of-september-17-2024.pdf

https://www.orlando.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/departments/edv/city-planning/appendix-k-current-plans-and-projects-list-as-of-september-17-2024.pdf

[5] Detail by Entity Name - Sunbiz.org - Division of Corporations

https://search.sunbiz.org/Inquiry/CorporationSearch/SearchResults?Detail=FL.DOS.Corporations.Shared.Contracts.FilingRecord&InquiryDirectionType=ForwardRecord&InquiryType=EntityName&ListNameOrder=EYEER+P060000131770&SearchNameOrder=EYEEU+P160000365530&SearchTerm=EYEER+CORP.&utm_source=chatgpt.com

[7] https://www.clickorlando.com/news/2014/04/04/man-falls-through-ceiling-at-orlando-night-club/

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[11] https://www.clickorlando.com/news/2016/05/26/orlando-fire-department-investigates-malicious-fire-at-gilt-nightclub/

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[13] https://www.wftv.com/news/local/orange-county/investigation-underway-orlando-nightclub/ESEGGIK2DBCRHJS5TGQEFCHOXY/

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[19] https://www2.myfloridalicense.com/abt/documents/Activepoolgroupandmembers_000.pdf

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[20] https://trellis.law/doc/110389897/answer-affirmative-defense-due-date-complete-date

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[23] Request a Public Record - City of Orlando

https://www.orlando.gov/Our-Government/Records-and-Documents/Request-a-Public-Record?utm_source=chatgpt.com