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Meeting Minutes - Final

Public Safety and Licensing Committee

*Chairman Jeff Coe
Alder Maurice Horton
Alder Melissa Lemke
Alder Sandy Weidner
Alder Carrie Glenn*

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 307

Call To Order

PRESENT: 4 - Chairman Coe, Alder Horton, Alder Lemke and Alder Glenn

EXCUSED: 1 - Alder Weidner

Approval of Minutes for the January 14, 2019 Meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed on a motion of Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Lemke.

to Approve the Minutes

[1404-19](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe submitting an application for a Public Dance Hall License, La Esquina LLC DBA La Esquina, located at 2005 Taylor Ave, Eriberto Malacara, Agent. (3rd District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 01-14-2020: That the application for a Public Dance Hall License, La Esquina LLC DBA La Esquina, located at 2005 Taylor Ave, Eriberto Malacara, Agent. (3rd District), be Deferred.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 01-28-2020: That the application for a Public Dance Hall License, La Esquina LLC DBA La Esquina, located at 2005 Taylor Ave, Eriberto Malacara, Agent. (3rd District), be Approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Ramon Vidales and Eriberto Malacara appeared before the Committee. The Clerk's Office spoke on the original application for hours of operation (11:00 AM - 12:00 AM) as well as entertainment ("there will be no formal entertainment groups of disc jockey music). Attorney Arn stated that even though the public dance hall license allows a business to operate until 1:00a.m., the original alcohol license application and plan stated that the business will close at 12:00a.m. every night. As such, operating past that time would not be permitted under the alcohol license application. Mr. Malacara stated he came into the clerk's office previously to change the closing hour to 1:00 AM

and that had been approved by the committee. The clerk's office was asked to look into this. The occupancy limit for La Esquina is 87 people, which is posted in the restaurant. Sgt. Freidel spoke on two police reports regarding the establishment. One was of noise complaints, patrons blocking traffic outside of the bar and littering. The other call was for 40-50 people fighting. Mr. Vidales stated it was a graduation party and he has no recollection of a fight with that many people.

Alder Glenn made a motion to Approve, seconded by Alder Horton.

A motion was made by Alder Glenn, seconded by Alder Horton, that this Communication be Recommended For Approval. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 3 - Alder Horton, Alder Lemke and Alder Glenn

NOES: 1 - Chairman Coe

EXCUSED: 1 - Alder Weidner

[0058-20](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe on behalf of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee requesting the appearance of Micah Tharpe, agent for 509 Social Lounge at 509 6th Street, pursuant to a formal expression of concern and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern (1st District).

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 01-28-2020: That the appearance of Micah Tharpe, agent for 509 Social Lounge at 509 6th Street, pursuant to a formal expression of concern and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern (1st District), be Deferred.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Micah Tharpe failed to appear. A member from the audience informed the Committee that the agent has a twelve hour work day and could not make it to the meeting tonight.

Alder Lemke made a motion to Defer, seconded by Alder Horton.

Deferred

[0059-20](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe on behalf of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee requesting the appearance of Dean Paros, agent for Teezers at 1936 Lathrop Ave., pursuant to a formal expression of concern and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern (13th District).

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 01-28-2020: That the appearance of Dean Paros, agent for Teezers at 1936 Lathrop Ave., pursuant to a formal expression of concern and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of

concern (13th District), be Resinded of the formal expression of concern.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Dean Paros appeared before the Committee. Sgt. Friedel read the report from December 05, 2019 of a gun shot being fired outside the establishment. Mr. Paros stated that the father and son were there to meet up, after not seeing each other for a long period of time. The two started arguing and went outside, and that is when the shot went off. Mr. Paros has been cooperative with the police department by giving video and working with them. Mr. Paros indicated that there was nothing else he could do to prevent the situation and that the parties had only been at the bar for roughly 20 minutes before the incident occurred. The committee stated they wanted an explanation anytime there are reports of violence from the licensed premises. Alder Perez spoke on the item and stated that people are able to bring a gun into a bar as long as the person is not drinking.

Alder Glenn made a motion to Rescind the formal expression of concern, seconded by Alder Horton.

Rescind

[0052-20](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe on behalf of the City of Racine Police Department Liaison of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee requesting the consideration of the Licensed Premises Report for January 28, 2020, and any formal expressions of concern pursuant to it.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 01-28-2020: That the City of Racine Police Department Liaison of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee requesting the consideration of the Licensed Premises Report for January 28, 2020, and any formal expressions of concern pursuant to it, be Received and Filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alder Glenn made a motoin to call in Dubai Hookah Lounge, located at 607 6th Street, for a formal expression of concern and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern, seconded by Alder Lemke. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 3 - Alder Horton, Alder Lemke and Alder Glenn

EXCUSED: 1 - Alder Weidner

Alder Lemke made a motion to Receive and File, seconded by Alder Horton.

Received and Filed

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:29 PM.

Alder Horton made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alder Glenn.