

# City of Racine Meeting Minutes - Final

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# Public Safety and Licensing Committee

Chairman Q.A. Shakoor, II, Vice Chair Gregory Helding
Alderman David L. Maack, Alderman Jim Kaplan, Alderman Robert Mozol

Monday, January 21, 2008

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

#### Call To Order

The meeting was called to order @5:02p.m.

**PRESENT:** 5 - Q.A. Shakoor II, Gregory Helding, David L. Maack, Jim Kaplan and Robert Mozol

**Public Comment** 

Annabelle Rohleder

# Approval of Minutes for the January 7, 2008 Meeting.

to Approve the Minutes

#### 08-1617

**Subject:** Communication from the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services requesting permission to enter in an agreement with David L. Hanson and Associates, Inc. to prepare plans and specifications to replace the softball lights at Island Park South Diamond.

# Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

**01-21-08:** That permission be granted to enter in an agreement with David L. Hanson and Associates, Inc. to prepare plans and specifications to replace the softball lights at Island Park South Diamond.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available in account 988.710.5020, Replace Island South Ball Lights.

**Recommended For Approval** 

# <u>08-1613</u>

**Subject:** The Fire Chief is requesting a Release from Liability for First Evangelical Lutheran Church, located at 728 Villa Street. The purpose of this release is to allow our firefighters to use a house for training purposes that the church owns. This house is located at 608 - 8th Street.

### Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

**1-21-08:** The Fire Chief be authorized to a Release from Liability for First Evangelical Lutheran Church, to allow our firefighters to use a house located at 608 - 8th street for training purposes.

# Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

**01-21-08:** That authorization be granted to the Fire Chief for Release from Liability for First Evangelical Lutheran Church, to allow our firefighters to use a house located at 608 - 8th street for training purposes.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Chief Hansen appeared and asked the committee to hear from Division Chief Bush on the item. Division Chief Bush informed committee members First Evangelical Lutheran Church would like to be released from liability of any damages or injuries which may occur during firefighter's training.

# **Recommended For Approval**

#### 08-1614

**Subject:** Application of CEC Entertainment, Inc., Christopher S. Mrozek, Agent, for a Change of Agent for a Class "B" and "Class C" Wine license for 5612 Durand Avenue. (14th District)

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 01-21-08:** That the Application of CEC Entertainment, Inc., Christopher S. Mrozek, Agent, for a Change of Agent for a Class "B" and "Class C" Wine license for 5612 Durand Avenue be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Christopher S. Mrozek (Agent) appeared and informed committee members he has 25 years restaurant experience and 12 years experience working at an establishment that serves liquor. He also stated he would be on the premises at least 80% of the time.

# Recommended For Approval

#### 07-1494

**Subject:** Application of Mega Marts, LLC, Joe M. Ligocki, for a Change of Agent for a "Class A" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2406 S. Green Bay Road.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 12-10-07: That the item be deferred to the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee Meeting, January 7, 2008 per request of applicant.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 01-07-08: That the item be deferred to the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee Meeting, due to agent not appearing.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 01-21-08: That the Change of Agent request be denied, due to the agent not appearing before the committee.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alderman Maack made a motion to deny the Change of Agent request for Joe M. Ligocki, due to Mr. Ligocki failing to appear at 3 different Public Safety & Licensing meetings.

#### **Recommended For Denial**

#### <u>08-1603</u>

**Subject:** Request of the Committee for the appearance of Rosie's, Rosie H. Carothers, Agent, for 1333 Douglas Avenue for incidents that appeared on the November - December 2007 Licensed Premise Report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 01-21-08: That the matter of Rosie's Bar located at 1333 Douglas Avenue, be referred to a due process hearing to determine whether the license should be revoked or suspended.

Fiscal Note: The approximate cost is \$8,000.

Lt. Purdy supplied committee members with a report showing a lengthy history of police calls to Rosie's. This included calls such as shooting incidents, assaults, and ordinance violations.

Rosie Carothers (owner) appeared and informed committee members many of the calls were incidents that occurred outside of the bar and she should not be responsible for those type of incidents.

Alderman Kaplan informed committee members Ms. Carothers called him the night of a shooting incident which occurred at the establishment on June 4, 2007 where Ms. Carothers was one of three victims. Ald. Kaplan advised Ms. Carothers to contact him after she was released from the hospital and feeling better so they could work together on some solutions to the problems at the establishment. He informed the committee members Ms. Carothers has not been in contact with him.

Alderman Helding made a motion to move for a due process hearing.

Alderman Maack 2nd the motion.

Alderman Maack withdrew his 2nd to the motion.

Alderman Mozol then made the 2nd to the motion. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

Alderman Mozol made a motion for the City Attorney to draft an agreement. The motion failed due to lack of a 2nd.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Gregory Helding that this be Recommended For Further Consideration. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

# 08-1604

**Subject:** Request of the Committee for the appearance of Cerafin Davalos, Agent for Cera's Tequilla Bar, 607 Sixth Street for incidents that appeared on the November - December 2007 Licensed Premise Report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 01-21-08: That the matter of the Cera's Tequilla Bar located at 607 Sixth

Street, be referred to a due process hearing to determine where the license should be revoked or suspended.

Fiscal Note: The approximate cost is \$8,000.

Lt. Purdy supplied committee members with a report showing a lengthy history of police calls to Cera's Tequila Bar. This included calls such as a homicide, assaults, and ordinance violations.

Cerafin Davalos appeared along with his attorney David Saldana. Atty. Saldana asked committee members for more time to review police reports and discuss incidents with his client Mr. Davalos.

Alderman Maack stated that the homicide incident alone was enough for him to call for a due process hearing.

Alderman Kaplan stated he was in support of a due process hearing due to the number of incidents occurring at the establishment.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Gregory Helding that this be referred for a due process hearing. The motion was PASSED by a Voice Vote.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Gregory Helding that this be Recommended For Further Consideration. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

#### 07-1545

**Subject:** (Renewal) Application of Marcus Theaters Corporation for a Movie Theater License at 5230 Durand Avenue (Regency Mall Cinemas).

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 01-07-08: That the item be deferred to the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee Meeting.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 01-21-08: That the (Renewal) Application of Marcus Theaters Corporation for a Movie Theater License at 5230 Durand Avenue (Regency Mall Cinemas) be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

# 07-1483

**Subject:** (New) Application of Syed Mikhail's, Inc., Omar Mansoor (Agent) for a Class "A" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage license for 930 Washington Avenue (1st District)

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 12-10-07:** That the item be referred to the City Attorney to work with the applicant on an agreement which will address hours of operation, security, and no single/individual sales of beer. The City Attorney should also include information from the Chief of Police and submit a draft copy of the

agreement to the Public Safety & Licensing Committee members to be discussed at the January 7, 2008 meeting.

# Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

**1-07-08:** That the item be deferred until the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee meeting.

# Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

**01-21-08:** That the item be deferred until the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee meeting.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alderman Maack made a motion to defer the item to the next Public Safety & Licensing meeting due to the (Agent) Omar Mansoor not being in attendance.

Deferred

07-1582

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Mohammad O. Al-Abed(Agent) to discuss incidents at the Sunshine Supermarket located at 1559 Taylor Avenue.

# Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee of

<u>1-07-08:</u> That the matter of Sunshine Supermarket located at 1559 Taylor Avenue, be referred to a due process hearing to determine whether the license should be revoked or suspended.

# Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

**01-21-08:** That the item be referred to the City Attorney to work with the (Agent) Mohammad O. Al-Abed on an agreement which will address hours of operation, security of off-duty officers, and no single/individual sales of beer.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alderman Maack made a motion to refer item to a due process hearing. He later withdrew the motion and stated he would like the (Agent) Mohammad O. Al-Abed to work with the City Attorney to come up with an agreement to resolve the problems at the establishment.

Alderman Helding made a motion to refer the item to the City Attorney to draw up an agreement with the (Agent) Mohammad O. Al-Abed for solutions to the problems at the establishment.

**Recommended For Further Consideration** 

<u>08-1630</u> Subject: (Direct Referral) Applications for Operator's (Bartender's) Licenses.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 01-21-08: That applications for Operator's (Bartender's) Licenses be

granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

# Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m. by Alderman Helding. The next scheduled meeting of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee is February 11, 2008.

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