



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final Public Safety and Licensing Committee

Chairman Gregory Holding
Vice Chairman Aron Wisneski
Robert Mozol
Melissa Kaprelian-Becker
Krystyna Sarrazin

Monday, April 23, 2012

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 205

Call To Order

PRESENT: 5 - Chairman Holding, Vice Chairman Wisneski, Robert Mozol, Melissa Kaprelian-Becker and Krystyna Sarrazin

Approval of Minutes for the April 9th, 2012 Meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed on motion of Alderman Wisneski.

12-7572

Subject: Communication from Municipal Judge submitting the deposit schedule for violations of Racine Ordinances sec.66-616, related to Smoking Prohibited.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 4-23-12: That the deposit schedule submitted by the Municipal Judge relating to Smoking Prohibition be approved as submitted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Approval

12-7573

Subject:(Direct Referral) (New) Application for a Gasoline Station Owner's and Manager's License for Reefpoint Marina, James J. Carolla, Manager at 2 Christopher Columbus Causeway.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 04-23-12: That the application for a Gasoline Station Owner's and Manager's License for Reefpoint Marina, James J. Carolla, Manager at 2 Christopher Columbus Causeway be approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

City Clerk explained this had been previously licensed and these were new owners.

Recommended For Approval

[12-7593](#)

Subject: (New) Application of The Spot on Douglas, LLC, Pamela Baker, Agent for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 1307 Douglas Avenue (4th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 04-23-12: That the application of The Spot on Douglas, LLC, Pamela Baker, Agent for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 1307 Douglas Avenue be approved pending all required inspections.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Pamela Baker appeared. She stated she would be on the premises about 80% of the time and she had no plans to make any changes to the establishment. She stated there would be no DJ or bands and they would be hiring security. She stated ID's will be checked at the door and they had just ordered a digital system that can download any video when needed. She stated she would be retaining the video for at least 6 months. She stated this would be more of a sports bar and she is the only member of the LLC.

*Motion made by Alderman Wisneski seconded by Alderman Mozol to approve the application pending all required inspections. Motion passed by a voice vote.
AYES: Wisneski, Sarrazin, Mozol and Kaprelian-Becker*

Recommended For Approval

[12-7605](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Marisol Calderon regarding her application for an Operator's (Bartender) License.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 04-23-12: That the Operator's (Bartender) license for Marisol Calderon be approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Marisol Calderon appeared. She explained the incidents in question. The committee was satisfied with her explanations and recommended approval of her operator's license.

Recommended For Approval

[12-7546](#)

Subject: Communication for the 12th District Alderman that the Public Safety and Licensing Committee consider amending Ordinance 6-97 to allow wine tasting samples at class A facilities.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 04-09-12: That this item be deferred to a future meeting.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 04-23-12: The item be deferred to gather more information and

bring it back to committee with answers to some of the questions raised.

Edward Fahnrich a representative of Timers's appeared and explained to the committee that Timers has been in operation for over 35 years and have always had to competed with grocery stores and wanted the committee to know that he would like the same opportunities that some of his neighboring businesses have.

Alderman Wisneski submitted what he felt would be some proposed changes if we allowed Class A establishments to hold wine sampling events

Proposed Modifications to Ord. 6-97

If all of the following are agreed to and met, a Class-A facility in the City of Racine shall be allowed to provide samples of wine in accordance with State laws.

- 1. Number of employees: must have at least three (3) employees working (not including the wine representative) at the time of the sampling.*
- 2. Facility must be at least 3000 square feet in size.*
- 3. Facility must be able to demonstrate by providing last year's sales data that at least 25% of total alcohol sales are wine.*

This exemption may be applied for at any time and lasts until the end of the accompanying annual liquor license.

There shall be a fee of \$50 to apply for this exemption.

There was some other points brought up and discussed such as to where the sampling would take place in the structure and history of establishment. It was also noted that the City Attorney would need to find out if we were able to include these exceptions. Alderman Mozol stated he wanted to know how many establishments would be possibly allowed. He will generate a demographic map.

Motion was made by Alderman Mozol and seconded by Alderman Wisneski to defer and gather more information and for the City to determine if exceptions would even be allowed. Motion passed by the following voice vote:

AYES: Wisneski, Mozol, Sarrazin and Kaprelian-Becker

NOES: Holding

Deferred

[12-7607](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) License Premise Report and DRC Reports for the 04/23/12 Meeting.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 04-23-12: That the report be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Received and Filed

Chairman Holding informed committee members that, beginning with the June 12th meeting, the Public Safety and Licensing Committee will be holding its meetings on Tuesday nights @ 5:30p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50p.m.