



# City of Racine

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## Meeting Minutes - Final Public Safety and Licensing Committee

Chairman Q.A. Shakoor, II, Vice Chair Aron Wisneski, Alderman Jim Kaplan, Alderman  
Robert Mozol, Alderman Terry McCarthy

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Monday, May 12, 2008

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

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### Call To Order

**PRESENT:** 5 - Q.A. Shakoor, II, Aron Wisneski, Terry McCarthy, Jim Kaplan and Robert Mozol

### Approval of Minutes for the April 21, 2008 Meeting.

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

### Public Comment

*No one appeared.*

### 08-2005

**Subject:** Communication from Chief of Police Wahlen, requesting to add items to the 2008 Asset Forfeiture Spending Plan.

### **Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**05-12-08:** The 2008 Asset Forfeiture Spending Plan be amended by increasing account 241.000.5770 Machinery & Equipment - Interview Room Remodeling & Rewiring by \$5,000; Neighborhood Security Cameras by \$25,000 and Wireless PC Sgt. & Investigation Offices by \$20,000. Account 241.000.5890 Canine (Investigations) - Recertification Training increase by \$3,000.

### **Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**5-12-08:** The 2008 Asset Forfeiture Spending Plan be amended by increasing the outlay account to a total of \$53,000.00 for use by the Police Department accounts 241.000.5770 Machinery & Equipment - Interview Room Remodeling & Rewiring by \$5,000; Neighborhood Security Cameras by \$25,000 and Wireless PC Sgt. & Investigation Offices by \$20,000. Account 241.000.5890 Canine (Investigations) - Recertification Training increase by \$3,000.

**Fiscal Note:** Sufficient funds are available for the appropriation.

*Chief Wahlen appeared and informed committee members this was a carry over from last year's budget. Chief Wahlen informed committee members the systems are new Gateway laptops at approximately \$900.00 each.*

**Recommended For Approval**

08-2007

**Subject:** Communication from Chief of Police Wahlen, requesting to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2008 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant (Grant Control # 2008-014).

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**05-12-08:** Permission granted for the Chief of Police to apply for an \$18,000 grant with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2008 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant (Grant Control No. 2008-014).

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**5-12-08:** That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for an \$18,000 grant with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the 2008 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant. (Grant Control No. 2008-014).

**Fiscal Note:** The grant requires a 25% soft match (\$4,500) on the part of the City.

*Chief Wahlen appeared and informed committee members that this was the sixth year for this program, and an \$18,000 grant would be used for salary/wages for night shift alcohol saturation patrols.*

**Recommended For Approval**

08-2009

**Subject:** Communication from Chief of Police Wahlen, requesting to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2008 Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant (Grant Control # 2008-015).

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**05-12-08:** Permission granted for the Chief of Police to apply for a \$4,000 grant with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2008 Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant (Grant Control No. 2008-015).

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**5-12-08:** That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for a \$4,000.00 grant with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the 2008 Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant. (Grant Control No. 2008-015).

**Fiscal Note:** There is a 25% (\$1,000) soft match required on the part of the City.

*Chief Wahlen informed committee members this is the fourth year of this program to monitor violations of crosswalks.*

**Recommended For Approval**

08-2013

**Subject:** Communication from Chief of Police Wahlen, requesting to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2008 Bicycle

Safety Grant (Grant Control # 2008-016).

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**05-12-08:** Permission granted for the Chief of Police to apply for a \$4,000 grant with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2008 Bicycle Safety grant (Grant Control No. 2008-016).

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**5-12-08:** That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for a \$4,000.00 grant with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the 2008 Bicycle Safety grant. (Grant Control No. 2008-016).

**Fiscal Note:** There is a 25% (\$1,000) soft match required on the part of the City.

*Chief Wahlen appeared and informed committee members that this is the fourth year for this grant. There will be two officers conducting activities between 2:30 - 6:30p.m. for bike entry patrol.*

**Recommended For Approval**

**08-1975**

**Subject:** Application of Deutscher Mann Verein (German Men's Club), Robert J. Hill, Agent, for a Change of Agent for a "Class B" Club Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor license for 701 Villa Street. **(1st District)**

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**5-12-08:** That the Change of Agent for a "Class B" Club application for German Men's Club, Robert J. Hill, 701 Villa Street be granted upon completion of the Responsible Beverage Servers Course.

Fiscal Note: N/A

*Mr. Robert Hill appeared and informed committee members there would not be changes to the operation of the business. He stated he will be on the premises 10% of the time and the manager, Rose Kowalski would be present 90% of the time. Mr. Hill was informed that he would need to complete the Responsible Beverage Servers Course prior to issuance of license.*

**Recommended For Approval**

**08-2082**

**Subject:** Application of Mega Marts, LLC, David J. Babcock, Agent, for a Change of Agent for a "Class A" license for 2406 S. Greenbay Road.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**5-12-08:** That the Change of Agent for a "Class A" application for Mega Marts, David J. Babcock, 2406 S. Greenbay Road be denied due to lack of compliance as agent did not appear.

Fiscal Note: N/A

*David J. Babcock did not appear.*

**Recommended For Denial**

[08-2030](#)

**Subject:(Direct Referral)** Communication from Spring Street Station located at 3441 Spring Street requesting to discuss amending his hours of operation.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 5-12-08:** That the closing hour be amended from 10:00p.m. - 11:00p.m. to maximize customers needs.

Fiscal Note: N/A

*Mr. Ruditys appeared and informed committee members he is requesting the amendment to accommodate the employees of the hospital during the shift change.*

**Granted**

[08-2090](#)

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) (**Amendment**) Application of Sticky Rice, Morakot Khampane, Agent for "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 337 Main Street **to include a Sidewalk Cafe w/ alcohol permit.**

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 5-12-08:** That the application for a sidewalk cafe permit with alcohol, 337 Main Street be approved pending City Plan Commission approval.

Fiscal Note: N/A

**Recommended For Approval**

[08-2029](#)

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) (New) Application for a Sidewalk Cafe Permit for Shillings Irish Pub & Restaurant, at 611 Wisconsin Avenue. (1st District)

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 5-12-08:** That the application for a sidewalk cafe permit without alcohol, 611 Wisconsin Avenue be approved pending City Plan Commission approval.

Fiscal Note: N/A

**Recommended For Approval**

[08-1710](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Chief Executive Officer of Lincoln Lutheran requesting a 15-year renewal of the agreement with City of Racine for use of the City parking lot proximate to their facility at 2000

Domanik Drive.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 02-11-08:** That the item be deferred to the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee Meeting on February 25, 2008.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 2-25-08:** That the item be deferred to the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee Meeting on March 10, 2008.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 3-10-08:** That the item be deferred to the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee Meeting on March 24, 2008.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 5-12-08:** That the 15-year renewal agreement with Lincoln Lutheran be approved.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

*City Attorney Weber informed committee members Lincoln Lutheran contributed \$4,000.00 of the \$10,000.00 project cost to pave the exit area driveway of the lot and all remaining terms of the agreement will remain the same.*

**Recommended For Approval**

[07-0530](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Alderman of the 11th District requesting adoption of an ordinance relating to residency restrictions of sex offenders within the City of Racine.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 5-7-07:** That the Communication from the Alderman of the 11th District requesting adoption of an ordinance relating to residency restrictions of sex offenders within the City of Racine be deferred until the July meeting.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07:** That the item be deferred to give the committee time to obtain further information.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 5-12-08:** That the item be received and filed until the State establishes guidelines.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

*Ald. Wisneski informed committee members that the alderman who had sponsored this item had determined that it would be best for the State to establish guidelines.*

**Recommended to be Received and Filed**

[08-2119](#)

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from Atty. Tofte on behalf of the tenants at 1632 Douglas Avenue regarding a "Class B" liquor license.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 5-12-08:** That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note:

*City Clerk informed committee members of the history that led up to the letter from Attorneys Tofte and Wyant. This is basically a owner/tenant situation and the committee has no jurisdiction unless the business is not in operation for 60 days. The current license expires on June 30, 2008 which would negate the 60 day requirement.*

**Received and Filed**

[07-0241](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the 7th & 9th District Alderman requesting to discuss concerns regarding the expired City contract with P.A.M., the firm which handles parking ticket collections.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 3-12-07:** The item be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee of 03-12-07:** That the item be referred to the Committee of the Whole and returned to the Public Safety & Licensing Committee, with their recommendation.

**Recommendation of the Committee of the Whole on 06-17-07:** That staff enter into negotiations with Duncan Solutions (aka Professional Account Management) for a new 2 year contract, and report back to the Finance & Personnel Committee and the Public Safety & Licensing Committee.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 05-12-08:** The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a 5-year and contract with Citation Management, also known as Professional Account Management LLC, for the processing of parking citation collection and be evaluated in a 12-month period.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

*City Administrator Ben Hughes appeared and informed committee members the city issues approx. 45000 parking tickets generating \$800,000-900,000 in revenue a year. Currently, the call center employees 9 persons to handle the call volume for 170 communities. Chief Wahlen expects no additional staff would be required to handle the anticipated workload. The amended contract is necessary to fulfill customer service expectations and to recover additional revenue.*

Deferred

[08-2077](#)

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the Purchasing Agent submitting the monthly report for the sale of abandoned vehicles for April 24, 2008.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 5-12-08:** That the item be received and filed.

**Fiscal Note:** This will generate \$16,827.63 in revenues.

**Recommended to be Received and Filed**

[08-2114](#)

**Subject:** : (Direct Referral) Applications for Operator's (Bartender's) Licenses.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee of 5-12-08:** That the operator license applications be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

**Granted**

**Miscellaneous Business**

*The due process hearing scheduled for Rosie's Tavern, 1333 Douglas, has been postponed until June 9, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.*

**Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m. by Ald. Wisneski*