

Good Neighbors Report

To: Public Safety and Licensing Committee

From: Attorney Ian R. Pomplin

RE: Parlays on Main, LLC., Alexia Gates, Agent
240 Main Street

Meeting date: Wednesday, April 1, 2026

Departments: Police and Attorney

License(s): Class “B” (beer) and “Class B” (intoxicating liquor) licenses

Background:

Alexia Gates was first granted a liquor license for Parlays on Main, 240 Main Street at the August 6, 2025 meeting of the City of Racine Common Council. Parlays on Main had police calls for service that were identified as concerning by the Public Safety and Licensing Committee after the presentation of the February 25, 2025 licensed premises report. Accordingly, the licensed premises was called before the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on March 11, 2026 for a formal expression of concern. These issues included a large fight that occurred on February 14, 2026, loitering and loud music occurring outside of the business on March 9, 2026, and a large fight on March 9, 2026.

At the March 11, 2026 meeting, the Committee recommended that the licensed premises meet with the City Attorney’s Office and the Police Department in lieu of having the formal expression of concern be upheld. This recommendation was approved by the Common Council on March 19, 2026.

Parlays on Main has had no other formal expressions of concern.

Police Department issues.

Sgt. Cruz and Attorney Pomplin discussed the ongoing issues with Ms. Gates that the Public Safety and Licensing Committee had raised during the formal expression of concern process. These issues included the responsibility to call police when issues are developing that may result in larger fights or incidents as well as the license holder’s requirement to proactively prevent these fights or incidents before they begin. Since the Public Safety and Licensing meeting, Ms. Gates has held a meeting with her staff in which she has informed them that it is their obligation to call the police when issues arise, as well as ensuring that all of her staff were appropriately licensed as bartenders. Proper identification of underage individuals was reviewed, as well as the prohibition of underage individuals when operating primarily as a bar at night, in contrast to operating as a restaurant in the early evening.

All parties discussed these ongoing issues and some solutions suggested would be to more actively monitor patrons for issues, require parties loitering outside to move along, as well as letting individuals out of the bar in staggered groups if issues do arise. Ms. Gates discussed that the business intended to purchase an ID scanner that had the ability to log IDs, so that individuals who misbehave may be barred from the building, instead of just relying on memory. Further, Ms. Gates stated that she intended to purchase a camera system to install in the business.

Overall Summary

The license holder was receptive to working with the City Attorneys Office and the Police Department to resolve these issues and prevent them from occurring in the future. She promptly scheduled the Good Neighbors Meeting and attended without issue. Ms. Gates is aware that she needs to be more proactive in addressing these issues as they arise, before they turn into large fights. She is also aware that she and her staff need to be active in reporting issues to the police department.