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Meeting Minutes - Final Public Safety and Licensing Committee

*Chairman Jeff Coe,
Vice Chairman Raymond DeHahn,
Alderman Henry Perez,
Alderman Mary Land, Alderman Mollie Jones*

Tuesday, October 13, 2015

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 307

Call To Order

PRESENT: 5 - Jeff Coe, Raymond DeHahn, Henry Perez, Mary Land and Mollie Jones

Approval of Minutes for the September 22, 2015 Meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed on a motion of Ald. DeHahn, Seconded by Ald. Perez.

[15-00880](#)

Subject: Application of Pizza Hut, Inc., Rebecca J. Pohlman, Agent, for a Change of Agent for a Class "B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage License for 5000 Washington Avenue (12th District).

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-13-2015: That the application of Pizza Hut, Inc., Rebecca J. Pohlman, Agent, for a Change of Agent for a Class "B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage License for 5000 Washington Avenue be approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Rebecca J. Pohlman appeared before the committee. She explained she worked for a country club in Nebraska from 1996-2004. She has been working at Pizza Hut since the end of April.

Recommended For Approval

[15-00500](#)

Subject: Request the appearance of Fides Wagner-Richardson, 1102 Mound Avenue to discuss the renewal of the "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2015-2016.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 6-9-15: That the current 2014-2015 license be extended until both the City Attorney and the Attorney for the owners can come up with clarification on the State Statue regarding serving food after bar closing hours and this item be brought back before the committee in two weeks.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 7-28-15: That the renewal for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License at 1102 Mound Avenue for 2015-2016 be deferred.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 10-13-15: That the renewal for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License at 1102 Mound Avenue for 2015-2016 be deferred.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Fides Wagner-Richardson appeared before the committee without his lawyer and claimed he is no longer represented by an attorney. The committee was under the impression that his attorney and the City Attorney were working towards an agreement. Mr. Wagner-Richardson explained in his area, out of 11 properties, he owns 5. He started his business in 1977, and since then things were fine until mid 2015. He said there have been no changes in 40 years. Sgt. Rivers told Mr. Wager-Richardson that he noticed trouble beginning in mid 2014. The committee shared concerns about patrons being inside after closing hours. Ald. Perez made a motion to defer the item for 2 weeks to give the Attorney's Office some time to do some investigating, Seconded by Ald. DeHahn, and passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Deferred

[15-00863](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from Todd Anderson wishing to address the committee on some changes regarding The Faccia Bella Club, 3422 Douglas Avenue, where a "Class B" License was approved for this location by the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 7-14-2015 and Council approval on 7-21-15.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 10-13-15: That the communication from Todd Anderson wishing to address the committee on some changes regarding The Faccia Bella Club, 3422 Douglas Avenue, where a "Class B" License was approved for this location by the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 7-14-2015 and Council approval on 7-21-15 be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Todd Anderson appeared before the committee to let them know that things are going a little differently than his original business plan and that he would like to work in two phases. In the first phase, he would start out with a bar and entertainment (karaoke). Secondly, in time, a kitchen would be added. The committee asked him to amend his application in the Clerk's Office.

Received and Filed

[15-00876](#)

Subject: Communication from the Chief of Police requesting to purchase a Police Mobile Command Vehicle from LDV Inc. in the amount of \$344,888.00 under GSA grant pricing.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 10/12/2015: Funding for the purchase of a Police Mobile Command Vehicle from LDV Inc. in the amount of \$344,888.00 under GSA grant pricing be appropriated from recaptured Capital Improvement Bond Proceeds.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-13-15: That the communication from the Chief of Police requesting to purchase a Police Mobile Command Vehicle from LDV Inc. in the amount of \$344,888.00 under GSA grant pricing be approved.

Fiscal Note: There are sufficient funds available for a re-appropriation.

Chief Howell and Lt. Wohlgemuth appeared before the committee. Chief Howell explained their current vehicle has not been replaced since the early 1980's and was used primarily for drunk drivers. He also shared the current vehicle is very under equipped for this time period. Lt. Wohlgemuth shared this vehicle is brand new with three areas inside and has ICS (Individual Command System) technology. Chief Howell shared the vehicle would be primarily used for Special Events, Homeland Security, Crisis Negotiations, Swat Team, Major Crimes, and for Interviews in the field. They shared, by having this facility in the field, it would be very helpful with communications, dispatch, interviews, investigations, drug testing and could also be used as a COP House.

Recommended For Approval

[15-00899](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Purchasing Agent submitting the report on bids received for the sale of Abandoned Vehicles, September 15, 2015.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-13-15: That the item be recommended to be received and filed as the highest responsible bidder out of three bids was Sturtevant Auto Salvage.

Fiscal Note N/A: This will generate \$8,102.00 in revenue for account 13101 48301.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

[15-00903](#)

Subject: License Premise Report

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-13-15: That the License Premise Report for 10-13-15 be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Sgt. Rivers reported not too much going on, that many tavern checks have been completed, and updated committee members on an incident at the Brass Monkey involving a gun.

Received and Filed

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm.