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Meeting Minutes - Final

Public Safety and Licensing Committee

Chairman Jeff Coe
Vice Chairman Raymond DeHahn
Alderman Sandy Weidner
Alderman Steve Smetana
Alderman Tracey Larrin

Tuesday, June 28, 2016

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 307

Call To Order

PRESENT: 5 - Jeff Coe, Raymond DeHahn, Sandy Weidner, Steve Smetana and Tracey Larrin

Approval of Minutes for the June 14, 2016 Meeting.

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

PUBLIC HEARING ON ITEM 0493-16

Chairman Coe declared the Public Hearing closed since there were no speakers present.

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[0493-16](#)

Subject: Petition to exceed quota for a "Class A" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 930 Washington Ave. (1st District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 06-28-16: That the petition to exceed quota for a "Class A" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 930 Washington Ave. be denied because it does not meet the geographical requirements and exceeds the quota limit of the ordinance due to the 1,000 feet from any other alcohol establishment.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Assistant City Attorney Larsen stated in order to exceed quota, there must be no establishments within 1,000 feet of another licensed establishment according to Ordinance 6-97. Attorney Larsen explained there are two establishments within 1,000 feet, and there could be others.

Alderman Weidner made a motion to deny, seconded by Alderman DeHahn.

Recommended For Denial

[0223-16](#)

Subject: (New) Application for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage

and Intoxicating Liquor License for Winston LLC dba BJW's, 1900 Racine Street, Michael Winston, Agent. (2nd District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 03-22-16: That the Application for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Winston LLC dba BJW's, 1900 Racine Street, Michael Winston, Agent be deferred until our next meeting on April 12, 2016.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 04-12-16: That the Application for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Winston LLC dba BJW's, 1900 Racine Street, Michael Winston, Agent be deferred.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 05-24-16: That the Application for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Winston LLC dba BJW's, 1900 Racine Street, Michael Winston, Agent be deferred.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 06-28-16: That the Application for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Winston LLC dba BJW's, 1900 Racine Street, Michael Winston, Agent be received and filed and that the applicant submit required documents of new location to City Clerk by noon on July 1, 2016.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Mr. Winston did not appear before the committee at the request of Alderman Coe. The City Clerk requested that the item be received and filed since the applicant must submit a new application for the new location.

Alderman Weidner made a motion to receive and file, seconded by Alderman DeHahn.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

[0547-16](#)

Subject: (New) Application of R & V Night Club, LLC, Veronica Campos, Agent, for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 1224 16th Street (3rd District).

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 06-28-16: That the application of R & V Night Club, LLC, Veronica Campos, Agent, for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 1224 16th Street be approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Veronica Campos appeared before the committee. Ms. Campos stated she has been a bartender for two years and her husband has been working security and as a DJ for the past seven years at the establishment. Ms. Campos went on to explain that the business will be family run and it will have a capacity of approximately 100 people. She also stated she hopes to serve food at the establishment in the future.

A motion was made by Alderman DeHahn to approve, seconded by Alderman Smetana.

Recommended For Approval

[0553-16](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Stephanie C. Hernandez, applicant for an Operator's License.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 06-28-16: That the Operator's License Application for Stephanie C. Hernandez be deferred.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Stephanie Hernandez did not appear before the committee. Since the applicant did not appear and questions remain regarding the record check response, Alderman DeHahn made a motion to defer, seconded by Alderman Smetana.

Deferred

[0550-16](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request the appearance of the following license holder for recent incidents at their establishment:

Shannon Curtin, Agent
Wharf 209
209 Dodge St.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 06-28-16: The committee requests that the communication be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Shannon Curtin and Officer Steve Beal appeared before the committee. Mr. Curtin explained that Officer Beal has been working at Wharf 209 as an off duty officer and Wharf 209 is looking for a second off duty officer. Officer Beal primarily helps check identification to prevent any underage patrons and tries to intervene before any potential problems arise. Mr. Curtin stated he does have cameras and they record each entrance and will record up to fourteen days. The committee members asked if Mr. Curtin has a card reader, but he does not. It was recommended that he may want to invest in one.

A motion was made by Alderman Weidner to receive and file, seconded by Alderman Smetana.

Received and Filed

[0476-16](#)

Subject: Communication from the Racine City Tavern League requesting to appear before the appropriate City committees to request to change overnight on street parking restrictions in the Downtown area so they begin at 3 AM instead of 2 AM for the safety of their staff and patrons.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 06-14-16: Recommend approval since modifying the Alternate Side Parking Restrictions in the Downtown parking meter area until 3 AM does not impact Public Works Operations.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 06-28-16: That the Attorney's Office make the necessary amendment to the Ordinance in the area of State Street to Seventh Street, Main Street to Villa Street until 3 AM.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deputy Chief Todd Schulz appeared before the committee. He stated he had spoken to Police Chief Art Howell and he was in agreement that a change could be made to accommodate the safety of the staff for the Racine City Tavern League. Deputy Chief Schulz explained that the Chief of Police was in favor of placards, but it was up to the committee to decide the best solution. The committee also discussed changing the ordinance to permit overnight on street parking restrictions Downtown from 2 AM to 3 AM.

A motion was made by Alderman DeHahn to have the Attorney's Office amend the ordinance until 3 AM in the area of State Street to Seventh Street, Main Street to Villa Street, seconded by Alderman Coe.

Recommended For Approval

[0526-16](#)

Subject: Licensed Premise Report

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 06-28-16: That the Licensed Premise Report be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Investigator Bialkowski appeared before the committee for Sgt. Rivers. He stated nothing stood out on the report.

Motion was made by Alderman DeHahn, seconded by Alderman Larrin to receive and file.

Received and Filed

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.