



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

Monday, November 10, 2008

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

Call To Order

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

Approval of Minutes for the October 27, 2008 Meeting.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one appeared.

08-2847

Subject: Communication from the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services requesting permission to enter in an agreement with STS to perform the necessary engineering services to apply for an "Exception to Construct on an Abandon Landfill" permit from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. This work will be performed at Lockwood Park.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-10-08: That the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services be granted permission to enter in an agreement with STS to perform the necessary engineering services to apply for an "Exception to Construct on an Abandon Landfill" permit from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available in account 101.700.5750.

Donnie Snow appeared and requested approval of the item.

Recommended For Approval

08-2824

Subject: (NEW) Application of Rapids Drive Convenience, LLC, Stephen J. Grebe, Agent, for a "Class A" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 3502 Rapids Drive. (6th District)

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-10-08: That the application of Rapids Drive Convenience, LLC,

Stephen J. Grebe, Agent, for a "Class A" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 3502 Rapids Drive be approved pending the records check.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Stephen Grebe appeared and informed committee members he wanted to run a clean and safe place for small neighborhood shopping needs. He stated that he was looking to hire 5-7 employees and he would be on the premises about 4 days a week. His hours of operation would be 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. He stated he had been in contact with the Alderman of the District, and she did not support the liquor license in the area.

Alderman Weidner informed committee members that she had indeed spoke with Mr. Grebe and she was not in support of the liquor license at a convenience/gas station. She stated she felt the Council was looking to limit liquor being sold at convenience stores and gas stations.

Recommended For Approval

[07-1225](#)

Subject: Application of D&K Real Estate Investments LLC (Indigo), Billie J. Chomicki, Agent for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 1501 Washington Avenue. (3rd District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-22-07: That the item be deferred and the applicant work with the City Attorney on an agreement that outlines certain stipulations as well as scheduling a meeting with Uptown Business Association to address some of their concerns.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-10-08: That the item be received and filed as applicant has not met the ordered requirements.

Fiscal Note: N/A

City Clerk and Chairman Shakoor have both tried to make contact with applicant to find out the status of this business. Applicant has not met the requirements ordered by the committee on 10-22-07.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

[08-2840](#)

Subject: Communication from West Sixth Street Neighborhood wishing to discuss concerns regarding the Neighborhood Pantry at 1511 West Sixth Street.

Deferred

[08-2819](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of Isaly Talavera (agent) for Racine Mini Market (Nick's Supermarket), 1407 Superior Street, for non-compliance for tobacco

sales.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-10-08: That the City Attorney send a summons to appear at the November 24, 2008 Public Safety and Licensing Committee Meeting, to the Agent, Isaly Talavera, 1407 Superior Street by a City of Racine Police Officer and the item be deferred until that time.

This was the second request by the committee of the Racine Mini Market. City Clerk informed committee members a letter was sent certified mail and was signed for by the Agent, Isaly Talavera on 10-29-08.

Deferred

[08-2852](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of Sukjinder Singh (agent) for Family Supermarket, 1201 S. Memorial Drive, for non-compliance for tobacco sales.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-10-08: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Kathryn Coopershorter and Sukjinder Singh appeared. Kathryn informed committee members she will be working with Mr. Singh to help train all employees on alcohol and tobacco sales. Agent informed committee members he was ill the day of the sale as he was having some diabetic issues and was not focusing.

Received and Filed

[08-2853](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of Narendra Shah(agent) for Fine Fare Foods, 1819 Durand Ave, for non-compliance for tobacco sales.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-10-08: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Narendra Shah appeared and informed committee members he had spent a full month training the employee. He stated that the first two weeks the employee worked on his own, he made an illegal sale of tobacco. He stated employee was talking on the phone and was not focusing on his duties. Employee has been terminated.

Received and Filed

[08-2854](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of Margarita Kellen(agent) for Walgreens #02927, 4810 Washington Avenue, for non-compliance for tobacco sales.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-10-08: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Aaron Mathews appeared. He informed committee members that the employee has been terminated for violating company policy. All employees are being re-trained and are required to enter the date of birth in the system before making a sale.

Received and Filed

[08-2855](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of Abdul Hafiz(agent) for Metro Petro, 4301 Washington Avenue, for non-compliance for tobacco sales.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-10-08: That the item be deferred until the 11-24-08 meeting and a certified letter be sent to agent.

Deferred

[08-2856](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of John P. Henes(agent) for Lee's Deli, 2615 Washington Avenue, for non-compliance for tobacco sales.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-10-08: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

John Henes appeared. He informed committee members he viewed the video tape of the sale that took place on the date in question, and the seventeen year old who made the sale should never have been on the register. They now require a manager to ring all tobacco sales and to check ID's for patrons up to age 40.

Received and Filed

[08-2857](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of Kamaljit and Deepinder Dhaliwal (agents) for AD United Petroleum, 1917 16th Street, for non-compliance for tobacco sales.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-10-08: That the item be deferred until the 11-24-08 meeting and a certified letter be sent to agent.

Deferred

[08-2895](#)

Subject:(Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of Zohaib Mir(agent) for Raytown Pantry, 2731 Durand Avenue, for non-compliance for tobacco sales.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-10-08: That the item be deferred until the 11-24-08 meeting and a certified letter be sent to agent.

Deferred

[08-2858](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Radojko Radicevic, Agent for Rudy's, 2515 Douglas Avenue, due to a recent incident at your establishment.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-10-08: That the item be deferred until the 12-08-08 meeting and a certified letter be sent to agent.

Deferred

[08-2893](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Licensed Premises Report 9-23-08 thru 10-22-08

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-10-08: That the representative from the police department supply committee members with a 12 month history report of Cash Money's, 901 S. Memorial Drive.

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Received and Filed

[08-2891](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral)Licensed Premises Report 10-23-08 thru 11-05-08

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-10-08: That the representative from the police department supply committee members with a 12 month history report of All Sports Pub, 3458 Rapids Drive and an 18 month history report for Kenny's, 1300 N. Main Street.

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Received and Filed

[08-2894](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Alcohol Compliance Checks Report November 3, 2008

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-10-08: That the representative from the police department supply committee members with a 12 month history report of Champion Liquor aka Olympic Liquor, 1629 Douglas Avenue.

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Received and Filed

[08-2890](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Operator's (Bartender) Licenses

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-10-08: That the Operator's (Bartender) Licenses be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

Miscellaneous Business

Alderman Mozol requested that the representative of the police department supply committee members with a detailed report involving the shooting on Tuesday, November 4, 2008 at the Total 24, 930 Washington Avenue.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:22p.m. by Alderman Wisneski.