

# City of Racine

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# **Meeting Minutes - Final**

# **Public Safety and Licensing Committee**

Chairman Jeff Coe Alder Maurice Horton Alder Melissa Lemke Alder Sandy Weidner Alder Carrie Glenn

Tuesday, September 10, 2019

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 307

#### **Call To Order**

PRESENT: 5 - Chairman Coe, Alder Horton, Alder Lemke, Alder Weidner and Alder Glenn

# Approval of Minutes for the August 27, 2019 Meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed on a motion of Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Lemke.

0984-19

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Coe on behalf of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee requesting the appearance of Joe Madison, Agent for Pepi's Pub & Grill at 618 Sixth Street, for a formal expression of concern. (1st District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 09-10-19: That the appearance of Joe Madison, Agent for Pepi's Pub & Grill at 618 Sixth Street, for a formal expression of concern, be Rescinded.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Joe Madison appeared before the Committee. Sergeant Webb spoke on the item. Alder Lemke iterated that she is concerned by any police report that indicates a person required a hospital visit stemming from an incident that occurred on a licensed premises. Alder Lemke questioned whether security cameras surveilled Sixth Street where the incident in question occurred. Mr. Madison responded that despite twenty-four installed cameras on his premises, none point toward Sixth Street, as he was advised that the City of Racine already had in place surveillance cameras that covered Sixth Street. Mr. Madison explained that no one under the age of twenty-one is allowed onto the premises after 9:00 p.m.

Alder Glenn made a motion to receive and file, and add a communication to rescind the vote to issue a Formal Expression of Concern, seconded by Alder Horton.

**Received and Filed** 

0985-19

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Coe on behalf of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee requesting the appearance of

William Vaughn, Agent for Culture Bar & Grill at 433 Main Street, for concerns regarding regular operating hours, pursuant to a formal expression of concern and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern. (1st District)

# **Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 09-10-19:** That the appearance of William Vaughn, Agent for Culture Bar & Grill at 433 Main Street, for concerns regarding regular operating hours, be Deferred, pursuant to a formal expression of concern and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern.

Fiscal Note: N/A

William Vaugh did not appear before the Committee.

Alder Lemke made a motion to issue a Formal Expression of Concern and also the option to rescind this vote, seconded by Alder Weider.

#### **Deferred**

0877-19

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Coe on behalf of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee requesting the appearance of Christina Sanchez, Agent of Game On, located at 1743 State St. (8th District)

**Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 08-13-19:** That the appearance of Christina Sanchez, Agent of Game On, be Deferred for two weeks.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 08-27-19: That the appearance of Christina Sanchez, Agent of Game On, be Deferred, and the Racine Police Department provide an update at the next Public Safety and Licensing Committee meeting on the operating hours of the business.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing committee on 09-10-19: That the appearance of Christina Sanchez, Agent of Game On, be Deferred, and the Racine Police Department provide an update at the next Public Safety and Licensing Committee meeting on the operating hours of the business, be Received and Filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Christina Sanchez did not appear before the Committee. Sergeant Webb spoke on the item, and stated that the police department performed a variety of checks on the business to determine whether it was in operation: September 2 (closed), September 5 (closed), September 9 (closed). Alder Glenn stated that

Ms. Sanchez might be remodeling the building and might be waiting for football season to commence to resume operation. Alder Weidner questioned whether a licensee must adhere to their listed hours of operation. City Clerk Coolidge advised that City Ordinance requires this. Assistant City Attorney Zbikowski advised that the Committee may vote to issue a Formal Expression of Concern in response

Alder Weidner made a motion to defer and issue a Formal Expression of Concerns and slo the option to rescind this vote, seconded by Alder Coe.

#### **Deferred**

AYES: 3 - Chairman Coe, Alder Horton and Alder Weidner

NOES: 2 - Alder Lemke and Alder Glenn

Christina Sanchez later appeared before the Committee.

Alder Weidner made a motion to reconsider, seconded by Alder Horton

#### Reconsider

AYES: 5 - Chairman Coe, Alder Horton, Alder Lemke, Alder Weidner and Alder Glenn

Christina Sanchez later appeared before the Committee. Ms. Sanchez explained that business is slow during the summer months, that she is considering closing during the summer months in 2020, and that she is remodeling.

Alder Weidner made a motion to receive and file, seconded by Alder Horton.

#### Received and Filed

0991-19

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Weidner requesting to rescind item 0145-19, and also requesting the appearance of Derek Hill for consideration of an operator's license.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 09-10-19: That requesting to rescind item 0145-19, be Rescinded and also requesting the appearance of Derek Hill for consideration of an operator's license, be Approved.

## Fiscal Note: N/A

Derek Hill appeared before the Committee with his mother, Theresa Hill. Sergeant Webb spoke on the item and stated that Mr. Hill was disqualified for an operator's license under guideline number 5—false statement regarding record. Ms. Hill described three convictions since 2014. The Committee found good cause for the false statement because Mr. Hill stated that he believed that the charge was dismissed and that it was not mentioned when others looked into his background.

Alder Weidner made a motion to rescind the prior vote to deny Mr. Hill's application for an operator's license, seconded by Alder Horton.

# Rescind

AYES: 5 - Chairman Coe, Alder Horton, Alder Lemke, Alder Weidner and Alder Glenn

Alder Weidner made a motion to approve based on evidence of rehabilitation, seconded by Alder Horton.

#### **Approved**

0912-19

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Coe requesting the appearance of Yolanda Kruse, applicant for an Operator's License. (Working in the 11th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-27-19: That the appearance of Yolanda Kruse, applicant for an Operator's License be Deferred.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 09-10-19: That the appearance of Yolanda Kruse, applicant for an Operato's License be Denied.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Yolanda Kruse did not appear before the Committee.

Alder Weidner made a motion to deny based on non-appearance, seconded by Alder Horton.

# Denied

1011-19

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Coe requesting the appearance of Brittany Flogel, applicant for an Operator's License. (Working in the 15th District)

Recommendation of the Public and Safety Licensing Committee on 09-10-19: That the appearance of Brittany Flogel, applicant for an Operator's License, be Approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Brittany Flogel appeared before the Committee. Sergeant Webb stated that Ms. Flogel was disqualified for an operator's license pursuant to guideline numbers 1, 3, and 5. The Committee found good cause for the false statement and evidence of rehabilitation because Ms. Flogel explained that she inappropriately turned to alcohol to cope with health issues, is currently a role model and community advocate for similarly situated persons, and desires her operator's license to increase her responsibilities and outreach.

Alder Weidner made a motion to approve based on evidence of rehabilitation, seconded by Alder Lemke.

## **Approved**

1012-19

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Coe requesting the appearance of Kalyn Mosby, applicant for an Operator's License. (Working in the 4th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 09-10-19: That the appearance of Kalyn Mosby, applicant for an Operator's License, be Approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Kalyn Mosby appeared before the Committee. Sergeant Webb spoke on the item, and there are charges that are pending as a felony. Ms. Mosby stated she was a party to a crime. Beth Lab, Mosby's mother, spoke that her daughter does not get into trouble, and is applying for college. Ms. Mosby is working at Booster's Buoy and does not think the charge will be an issues. Alder Weidner stated the Public Safety and Licensing Committee can take items case by case. Alder Horton talked about how he works with youth and he can tell she is sorry and she needs to finish school and do what she can to stay out of trouble.

Alder Weidner made a motion to approve based on evidence of rehabilitation, seconded by Alder Glenn.

#### **Approved**

1013-19

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Coe requesting the appearance of Sharon Hazelton, applicant for an Operator's License. (Working in the 12th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 09-10-19: That the appearance of Sharon Hazelton, applicant for an Operator's License, be Deferred.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Sharon Hazelton did not appear before the Committee.

Alder Weidner made a motion to defer based on first instance of non-appearance and requested another invite, seconded by Alder Horton.

#### Deferred

0986-19

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Coe, on behalf of Judge Weber the Municipal Court's recommendations as to the deposit schedule for citations written for violations of sections 66-1002 (chronic nuisance properties) and 66-677(1) - (3) (vapor products) of the Code of Ordinances.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

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**on 09-10-19:** That the Municipal Court's recommendations as to the deposit schedule for citations written for violations of sections 66-1002 (chronic nuisance properties) and 66-677(1) - (3) (vapor products) of the Code of Ordinances, be Approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Assistant City Attorney Robin Zbikowski spoke on the item, and explained that the substance of the ordinances was previously approved by Common Council, and that for the Committee's consideration was the corresponding deposit schedules recommended by Judge Weber of the Municipal Court.

Alder Weidner made a motion to recommend for approval, seconded by Alder Horton.

**Recommended For Approval** 

**Subject:** License Premise Report for September 10, 2019.

The Committee, pursuant to the Licensed Premise Report, voted to issue to GRC a Formal Expression of Concern and also the option to rescind this vote.

Alder Lemke made a motion to Receive and File, seconded by Alder Weidner.

Received and Filed

# **Adjournment**

The meeting was Adjourned at 6:56 PM.

Alder Horton made a motion to Adjourn, seconded by Alder Glenn.

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