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November 15, 2023

Sports Pub  
William Gonzalez  
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Racine, WI 53403

William Gonzalez  
1133 Villa St.  
Racine, WI 53403

Dear Mr. Gonzalez:

Please be informed that the Public Safety and Licensing Committee of the Common Council of the City of Racine will meet at 5:00 P.M., on Monday, November 27, 2023 in room 207B for a formal expression of concerns to address issue(s) related to the license premises located at 1301 Washington Ave Racine, WI, 53403, pursuant to section 6-27 of the City of Racine Code of Ordinances. Specifically, the committee has received notice of the following incidents/violations:

- 1) November 5, 2023: The Sports Pub- 1301 Washington Ave- Tavern Check- Officers were in the area for a traffic accident when a sergeant observed multiple people entering the tavern after bar close. The sergeant stated music could be heard coming from the tavern at an excessive level. The sergeant also stated while still dealing with the accident he would see people leaving the bar and when he looked inside it appeared to be very smoky inside as if they had a smoke machine or they were allowing smoking inside the tavern. Once the accident was cleared the sergeant along with additional officers went to conduct a tavern check. At the doors to the tavern they could hear music being played at an excessive volume but the doors were locked. Once officers knocked the music was turned off and they could see about seven people at the bar drinking out of plastic party cups. The sergeant stated after sometime someone came outside (later identified as the co-owner) and at that point they found the smoke to be marijuana smoke. The co-owner stated the only people inside the tavern were employees and family. The sergeant informed the co-owner that a tavern check was going to be conducted but he refused to let officers inside the tavern even after being informed that he had to as part of having his Class B license. After some time the co-owner knocked on the bar door a got the Class B license but still didn't let officers inside the tavern. It should be noted the license shown to officers was from Top Ten Bar and not The Sports Pub. The co-owner was cited for operating after bar closing and refusing to allow uniformed officers into the bar. Call Received: 03:24.
- 2) November 5, 2023: The Sports Pub- 1301 Washington Ave- Fight- A refused complainant called about 10-15 people fighting outside the tavern. Upon officers arrival they did not observe anyone fighting. Officers attempted to check inside the tavern but again found the doors locked and the bar refusing to open the doors. After some time the doors were open and two parties were asking why police were there and not moving for officers. It should be noted it was unclear if the two parties were a part of the tavern or not but either way they would not move when asked by officers. Once a sergeant arrived the two parties were informed if they did not move they would be arrested, at which point they moved. The officers were able to locate a co-owner who showed them the Class B license for Top Ten Sports bar and not The Sports Pub. The bar was closed down for the night due to the violation. Call Received: 23:08 Arrived: 23:09

Please be informed that the **AGENT'S APPEARANCE IS MANDATORY** and failure to appear may result in a suspension or revocation of your license.

If you have any questions, please call our office at 636-9171.

Sincerely,

Amber Pfeiffer  
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