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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, October 27, 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 13, 2008 Meeting.

to Approve the Minutes

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one appeared.

08-2779

Subject: Communication from the Alderman of the 8th District requesting to discuss the concerns of residents in the West Sixth Street community regarding the camera system that is not yet functional.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 10-27-08: That the item be deferred until 11-24-08 meeting.

Deferred

08-2817

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of Himmat Gill (agent) for Citgo Gas & Food Mart, 2240 Northwestern Avenue, for non-compliance for tobacco sales.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 10-28-08: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Himmit Singh along with Stakish Bhardwaja appeared. Mr. Bhardwaja stated Mr. Singh did not speak english that well so he was there to assist him. Mr. Singh informed committee members he got confused by looking at the year instead of month and day. He stated he has since purchased a new system which shows clearly the month/day/year.

Received and Filed

08-2818

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of Mohammed Schafeeq (agent) for Cigarette City, 3402 Douglas

Avenue, for non-compliance for tobacco sales.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 10-28-08: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Mohammed Schafeeq appeared and informed committee members his business has not received a citation since 2000 when he first opened the business. He was not there at the time of the incident as he had left his son in charge. He stated his son informed him it had gotten busy, and he just didn't take the time to check ID's. He stated he will never leave anyone else in charge of his establishment.

Received and Filed

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.

No one appeared and the committee requested the agent be requested to appear at the next Public Safety and Licensing Committee meeting.

Deferred

Alderman Wisneski arrived @ 5:25p.m. and took his seat.

08-2820

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of Blanca Webers (agent) for Casablanca De Mexico, 230 Main St, for non-compliance for tobacco sales.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 10-28-08: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Blanca and Tom Webers appeared. Blanca stated that their business had not received any citations since 2000 when they began their business. Tom Weber stated he was the employee who had sold tobacco to an underage and he should be the one punished as his wife and the other employee had followed all the rules. He stated it was merely a bad call on his part and he will now card anyone who looks under 30.

Received and Filed

08-2816

Subject: (Direct Referral) Applications for Operator's (Bartender's) Licenses.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 10-28-08: That the licenses be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

Miscellaneous Business

[08-2843](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Presentation of "The Club" agreement by City Attorney Weber.

Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 10-28-08: That the settlement agreement be accepted with the following amendment: that the agreement be accepted contingent on verification to the City Council that the video equipment is operative.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Atty. Weber informed the committee that he had received this agreement from the Attorney of the license holder. There was brief discussion by committee members related to this agreement versus the previous agreement.

Alderman Mozol made a motion to continue with the due process hearing that had been previously scheduled.

*AYES: MOZOL, McCARTHY
NOES: WISNESKI, KAPLAN, SHAKOOR*

Motion failed.

Alderman Wisneski made a motion to accept the settlement agreement as proposed with one amendment as follows: that the agreement be accepted contingent on verification to the City Council that the video equipment is operative.

*AYES: WISNESKI, KAPLAN, SHAKOOR
NOES: MOZOL, McCARTHY*

Recommended For Acceptance

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15p.m. by Alderman Wisneski.