



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final Public Safety and Licensing Committee

*Chairman Aron Wisneski
Vice Chairman Gregory Holding
Robert Mozol
Jim Kaplan
Melissa Kaprelian-Becker*

Monday, August 22, 2011

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 205

Call To Order

PRESENT: 5 - Aron Wisneski, Gregory Holding, Robert Mozol, Jim Kaplan and Melissa Kaprelian-Becker

Approval of Minutes for the July 25, 2011 Meeting.

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

11-6700

Subject: Communication from the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services requesting permission to waive bidding relative to the purchase and installation of playground equipment, and instruct the Purchasing Agent to obtain from Miller & Associates.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-22-11: That formal bidding be waived and the Purchasing Agent work with Miller and Associates for the purchase and installation of playground equipment.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available in the following accounts:
891.030.5770, Roosevelt Park Play Equipment and 891.030.5760, Franklin Park Play Equipment.

Donnie Snow appeared and requested that formal bidding be waived and the Purchasing Agent work with Miller and Associates for the purchase and installation of playground equipment.

Recommended For Approval

11-6767

Subject: [Direct Referral] Communication from the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services requesting to rescind the request that Coca-Cola, Inc. be the exclusive provider of beverages at the community centers; further request the Mayor and City Clerk enter into an agreement with Pepsi-Cola General Bottlers, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Pepsi Beverages Company, to be the exclusive provider of beverages at the community centers.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 8-22-11: To rescind the request to enter into an agreement with Coca-Cola, Inc. and enter into an agreement with Pepsi-Cola General Bottlers, Inc. to be the exclusive provider of beverages at the community centers.

Fiscal Note: Approximately \$41,000.00 over five years.

Donnie Snow appeared and informed the committee he had previously come before them requesting to enter into an agreement with Pepsi. He stated that the recommendation of some of the alderman was to seek other vendors in which they did. He stated the Purchasing Agent had made contact with Coca Cola company and had a verbal agreement, but was never able to obtain a signed agreement. In conversation with the Coca Cola Company, it was determined that the person who gave the verbal agreement had no authority to do this. He was requesting to rescind the request with Coca Cola, Inc. Director Snow was asking that the committee approve the recommendation to enter into an agreement with Pepsi -Cola General Bottlers, Inc. to be the exclusive provider of beverages at the community centers.

Alderman Holding requested that a e-mail from the Purchasing Agent be sent to all committee members explaining in detail what led up to this situation.

Recommended For Approval

[11-6722](#)

Subject: (New) Application of Roberts Roost LLC, Edward Scharding, Agent for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 600 Sixth Street. (1st District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 8-22-11: That the Application of Roberts Roost LLC, Edward Scharding, Agent for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 600 Sixth Street be approved pending submission of an amendment to the hours of operation to the City Clerk's Office.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Ed Scharding and Mr. Roberts appeared. Mr. Roberts stated he would be leasing the building and basically it would be more of a Restaurant than a tavern. He stated he planned on hiring about 6-8 employees and wanted to be able to offer a Sunday Brunch where people could make their own Bloody Mary's. He stated his hours of operation would be 7:00a.m - 2:00p.m. with the exception of Packer Games, First Fridays and special events. Alderman Mozol questioned this and stated he preferred to see the hours of operation amended. After further discussion, it was determined that Mr. Roberts will submit to the Clerk's Office an amendment to his hours of operation before September 2, 2011.

Ald. Holding clarified that based on the business plan provided, the expectation is that this location will be a restaurant, not a tavern or club. If the licensee wants to change their business model, they should come back to this committee and request such changes."

Recommended For Approval

[11-6760](#)

Subject: (New) The application of Maurice Caldwell and Jeanette Caldwell, Affordable Luxury Limo for a Public Passenger Vehicle Operator's Business License, and Public Passenger Driver's License for Maurice Caldwell

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-22-11: That the application of Maurice Caldwell and Jeanette Caldwell, Affordable Luxury Limo for a Public Passenger Vehicle Operator's Business License, and Public Passenger Driver's License for Maurice Caldwell be granted pending all requirements being met.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

[11-6723](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request the appearance of the owner/agent for The Club, 1240 Washington Avenue due to incidents at their establishment on June 25, July 8, and July 16, 2011.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-22-11: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Mario Aranda appeared and answered questions of the committee for the three incidents in question. He stated he had been working with Sgt. Wohlgemuth and Sgt. Metoyer and some problems in the neighborhood. The committee advised him to continue to work with the police department and to never be afraid to call the police on disruptive patrons in/or around his business. Vice Chairman and President of the Council Holding wanted it noted that you will not be held accountable for contacting the police for assistance when needed.

Received and Filed

[11-6775](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) The **renewal** application of Rejuvenations for a Massage Establishment Permit for 215 Sixth Street. (1st District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-22-11: The **renewal** application of Rejuvenations for a Massage Establishment Permit for 215 Sixth Street be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

[11-6689](#)

Subject: (New) Application for Ancient Horizon, Abdbari Ali, for a Secondhand Jewelry Dealer's License for 5762 Durand Avenue. (14th

District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 7-25-11: That the item be deferred for two weeks.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-22-11: Application for Ancient Horizon, Abdbari Ali, for a Secondhand Jewelry Dealer's License for 5762 Durand Avenue be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

[11-6724](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Sale of Abandoned Vehicles 07-28-11

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-22-11: That the Sale of Abandoned Vehicles 07-28-11 be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: This will generate \$13,788.02 in revenue.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

[11-6787](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Operator's (Bartender's) Licenses for 08/22/2011.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-22-11: That the Operator's (Bartender) Licenses for 8/22/2011 be granted with the exception of Tarlikaben V. Patel due to a failed records check and the applicant be requested to appear at the next meeting.

Fiscal Note: N/A

That the Operator's (Bartender) Licenses for 8/22/2011 be granted with the exception of Tarlikaben V. Patel due to a failed records check and the applicant be requested to appear at the next meeting.

Granted

[11-6785](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Alcohol Compliance Checks Report for fall 2011

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-22-11: That the applicants all be requested to appear at the next

3 meetings to discuss the incident in question and the report be received and filed.

September 12, 2011 Meeting: Akash Food and Liquor - 3945 Erie Street

Street

Jalisco and Michoacan - 1950 Racine

Odd Fellows - 817 S. Main Street

Super Mercado Gran Morelos - 1105

N. Memorial Drive.

September 26, 2011 Meeting: Andy's - 3818 Durand Avenue

Arbee's Liquor - 2062 Lathrop

Avenue

Citgo - 5302 Washington Avenue

Dan's Liquor - 1856 Taylor

Lieungh's on Lathrop - 1933 Lathrop

Avenue

October 10, 2011 Meeting: One Stop Food and Liquor Mart - 1711 N. Main St.

Pantry Foods - 3711 Douglas Avenue

Santa Fe Liquor & Grocery - 516

High Street

US Pantry - 1627 Washington

Avenue

Megan Kroes with Focus on Community informed committee members that they do offer training to all establishments that are cited and do send "thank you" letters to all establishments that do not sell. She stated they try to mix up the volunteers, but this time the same volunteer was used.

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Received and Filed

[11-6786](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Licensed Premise Report and DRC Reports for 8/22/2011 meeting.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-22-11: That the owner/agent of Kenny's, 1300 N. Main Street be requested to appear at the next meeting and the balance of the report be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

It was discussed that Kenny's, 1300 N. Main Street should be requested to appear at the next meeting to discuss several incidents that occurred at their establishment. Inv. Stillman also informed committee members that obtaining video footage is troublesome and they are not good at returning calls.

Received and Filed

[11-6718](#)

Subject: Communication from the President of the Common Council wishing to discuss City of Racine policy with respect to firearms in light of 2011 Wisconsin Act 35.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-22-11: That the item be referred to the Committee of the Whole with the Recommendation that the Common Council not prohibit carrying of legally permitted concealed weapons in Municipal Buildings with the exception of Community Centers.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alderman Holding informed committee members that Act 35, "Conceal Carry" allows people to carry conceal weapons in certain areas where there are no signs posted prohibiting this action. He stated that municipalities would need to post signs to not allow people to carry them in City buildings. Alderman Holding made a motion to recommend the Mayor's Office/Executive Branch take no action to Act 35 and to not post signs. Motion was seconded by Alderman Kaplan. After further discussion, Alderman Holding withdrew his motion.

Motion made by Alderman Holding seconded by Alderman Kaplan to Refer the item to the Committee of the Whole with the Recommendation that the Common Council not prohibit carrying of legally permitted concealed weapons in Municipal Buildings with the exception of Community Centers. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Holding, Mozol, Kaplan and Kaprelian-Becker

NOES: None

NON-VOTING: Wisneski

Recommended for Further Consideration

AYES: 4 - Gregory Holding, Robert Mozol, Jim Kaplan and Melissa Kaprelian-Becker

NON VOTING: 1 - Aron Wisneski

[11-6784](#)

Subject: Communication from the City Clerk requesting the committee look at implementing a policy to deal with late renewals for various licenses issued through the City Clerk's Office.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-22-11: That the item be deferred until the City Clerk and the City Attorney can check into the matter further.

The City Clerk informed committee members the problems she is seeing with late renewals. She stated she felt a business should be held accountable when they were late within a certain time period. Alderman Wisneski stated that the Clerk's Office should be sending at least one Certified Letter to the businesses. The City Clerk asked the item be deferred to give her time to work with the City Attorney on if late fees could be added to certain licenses.

Deferred

[11-6807](#)

Subject: Ordinance No. 7-11

To amend Article IV. - Operator's License by removing all references to provisional licenses, Code of the City of Racine, Wisconsin relating to Alcoholic Beverages.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 8-22-11: That Ordinance 7-11 be adopted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Approval

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12p.m.