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Meeting Minutes - Final Public Safety and Licensing Committee

*Chairman Gregory Holding
Vice Chairman James Morgenroth
Melissa Kaprelian-Becker
Krystyna Sarrazin
Henry Perez*

Monday, October 7, 2013

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 205

Call To Order

Alderman Morgenroth called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: 4 - James Morgenroth, Melissa Kaprelian-Becker, Krystyna Sarrazin and Henry Perez

EXCUSED: 1 - Gregory Holding

Approval of Minutes for the September 23, 2013 Meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed on motion of Alderman Kaprelian-Becker.

[13-9398](#)

Subject: (New) Application of Mei Li (Uptown China LLC) for a Class "B" & "Class C" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Wine License for 1530 Washington Avenue. (3rd District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 10-07-13 : That the (New) Application of Mei Li (Uptown China LLC) for a Class "B" & "Class C" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Wine License for 1530 Washington Avenue be approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

The applicant, Mei Li was present to discuss a request for a Class "B" and "Class C" License. Mr. Li indicated this is a second business for them, they have had previous experience serving alcohol and have had no problems.

Alderman Sarrazin moved, seconded by Alderman Kaprelian-Becker to approve the Class "B" and "Class C" License for 1530 Washington Avenue. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Recommended For Approval

[13-9069](#)

Subject: Communication from the Municipal Court Judge submitting a recommendation for the default/bond schedule amounts for violations of Code of Ordinances section 22-891.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-07-13 : That the item be deferred to discuss the fine amounts with the Municipal Court Judge.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Attorney Weber informed the Committee that the Judge recommends increasing the default/bond schedule for businesses that violate Code of Ordinances section 22-891. Alderman Perez indicated the fine amounts recommended may be too low for a large business and recommends a higher fine.

Alderman Perez moved and Alderman Kaprelian-Becker seconded to refer this item back to the judge to determine if the fine amount should be larger. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Alderman Sarrazin moved and Alderman Kaprelian-Becker seconded to authorize Alderman Perez to speak on behalf of the PSL Committee regarding the fine amounts. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Deferred

[13-9421](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Consideration of renewal agreement with Kenneth Meyer, Kenny's on Main, 1300 North Main Street.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-07-13 : That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alderman Perez moved to defer this item until Alderman Holding was present. There was no second to the motion, motion failed

Alderman Kaprelian-Becker moved and Alderman Sarrazin seconded to receive and file the renewal agreement with Kenneth Meyer, Kenny's on Main, 1300 North Main St. Motion passed on a voice vote. Perez opposed.

Received and Filed

[13-9432](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) 2013 Fall Alcohol Compliance Checks

The following establishments failed:

US Pantry - 1627 Washington Avenue
The Market - 1949 Racine Street
Mobil - 3700 Spring Street
Xpress Food Mart - 2418 Douglas Avenue

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-07-13 : That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A History Report was presented to the Committee to review. Sgt. Rivers stated that if these establishments receive other citations, the police department will let the Committee know so they can be flagged for further review.

Alderman Kaprelian-Becker moved, seconded by Alderman Sarrazin to receive and file the 2013 Fall Alcohol Compliance Checks report. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Received and Filed

[13-9423](#)

Subject:(Direct Referral) License Premise Report and DRC Report for October 7, 2013

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-07-13 : That the License Premise Report be received and filed. No DRC report was presented.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Sgt. Rivers presented the report and informed the Committee that the police department is investigating a robbery at the Brass Monkey - 1436 Junction Ave. He indicated it is the second one since the 1st of the year. Alderman Kaprelian-Becker mentioned the number of smoking violations at the Neighborhood Bar - 2002 Erie St. and discussion was held if it would be beneficial to call the owner in to discuss the number of violations. Attorney Weber indicated that smoking violations are processed through the municipal court and no action can be taken to suspend or revoke their liquor license. No DRC Report was received to be presented to the Committee.

Alderman Perez moved, seconded by Morgenroth to receive and file the License Premise Report. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Received and Filed

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.