



City of Racine
Meeting Minutes - Final
Public Safety and Licensing
Committee

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*Chairman Q.A. Shakoor, II, Vice Chair Gregory Holding
Alderman David L. Maack, Alderman Jim Kaplan, Alderman Robert Mozol*

Monday, January 7, 2008

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order @ 5:10p.m. due to weather related problems.

Approval of Minutes for the December 10, 2007 Meeting.

to Approve the Minutes

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lorna Revere

07-1578

Subject: Communication from the Purchasing Agent wishing to discuss award recommendations for Official Notice #14, Emergency Medical Supplies for the Racine Fire Department.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

1-7-08: That the separate award recommendations presented by the Purchasing Agent be approved.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available in account 101-300-5690, Emergency Medical Supplies

Purchasing Agent Sam Aiello appeared to answer any questions of the committee.

Recommended For Approval

07-1490

Subject: Application for a Class "B" and "Class C" Beer and Wine License for Willing & Willing Corp., Benard Willing II, (Agent) (Bernie's Pizzeria), for 1238 Lathrop Avenue. (13th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

12-10-07: That the item be deferred to the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee Meeting on January 7, 2008.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

1-7-08: That the application for a Class "B" and "Class C" Beer and Wine License for Willing & Willing Corp., for 1238 Lathrop Avenue be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Bernard Willing II appeared and informed committee members he has previous experience in working at several restaurants. He stated this business would be run by his parents, his wife and himself. They are looking to run an Italian style restaurant where people could enjoy a good meal and have a glass of wine or beer.

Recommended For Approval

[07-1483](#)

Subject: (New) Application of Syed Mikhail's, Inc., Omar Mansoor (Agent) for a Class "A" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage license for 930 Washington Avenue (1st District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

12-10-07: That the item be referred to the City Attorney to work with the applicant on an agreement which will address hours of operation, security, and no single/individual sales of beer. The City Attorney should also include information from the Chief of Police and submit a draft copy of the agreement to the Public Safety & Licensing Committee members to be discussed at the January 7, 2008 meeting.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

1-07-08: That the item be deferred until the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee meeting.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deferred

[07-1494](#)

Subject: Application of Mega Marts, LLC, Joe M. Ligocki, for a Change of Agent for a "Class A" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2406 S. Green Bay Road.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

12-10-07: That the item be deferred to the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee Meeting, January 7, 2008 per request of applicant.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

01-07-08: That the item be deferred to the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee Meeting, due to agent not appearing.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deferred

[07-1537](#)

Subject: (Renewal) Application of It's Yours Boutique for a Secondhand Article Dealer License for 3120 Washington Ave. (9th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

1-7-08: That the application of It's Yours Boutique for a Secondhand Article Dealer License for 3120 Washington Avenue be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

[07-1540](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Application of Maurice Colbert for a Public Passenger Vehicle Driver's License.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee of

1-7-08: That the application of Maurice Colbert for a Public Passenger Vehicle Driver's License be denied due to his record.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Denial

[07-1574](#)

Subject: (New) (Direct Referral) Application of Lahwinder Singh for a Public Passenger Driver's License.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

1-7-08: That the application of Lahwinder Singh for a Public Passenger Driver's License be approved pending record check.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

[07-1545](#)

Subject: (Renewal) Application of Marcus Cinemas of WI, LLC. for a Movie Theater License at 5230 Durand Avenue (Regency Mall Cinemas).

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

01-07-08: That the item be deferred to the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee Meeting.

Deferred

[07-1547](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Mark Thomas (Agent) to discuss complaints and numerous incidents at the "Blue Rock Lounge, LLC." located at 306 Sixth Street.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on
1-7-08:** That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Attorney Mark Richards appeared with his client Mark Thomas.

Lt. Purdy gave a brief account of some of the incidents, but turned it over to Sgt. Macemon who is the 3rd Shift Commander who has dealt with most of the calls at this establishment. Sgt. Macemon reported there have been numerous calls related to noise complaints, loud music, but officers have found no violations. He also stated there have been no citations issued recently.

Attorney Mark Richards stated his client is working to do everything within his power to run a respectable establishment and has tried to work with the neighbors to address their concerns.

Alderman Mozol made a motion to revoke the license. Motion failed for lack of second.

Alderman Holding made a motion to receive and file the item.

Lt. Purdy suggested that Sgt. Macemon and Mark Thomas exchange phone numbers and they work together to keep calls at a minimum.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Gregory Holding that this be Received and Filed. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 2 - Gregory Holding and Jim Kaplan

NOES: 1 - Robert Mozol

EXCUSED: 1 - David L. Maack

NON VOTING: 1 - Q.A. Shakoor II

Alderman Maack arrived @ 5:35p.m. and took his seat.

The meeting was recessed at 5:45p.m. due to weather conditions.

The meeting reconvened at 6:00p.m.

07-1582

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Mohammad O. Al-Abed (Agent) to discuss incidents at the Sunshine Supermarket located at 1559 Taylor Avenue.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee of

1-07-08: That the matter of Sunshine Supermarket located at 1559 Taylor Avenue, be referred to a due process hearing to determine whether the license should be revoked or suspended.

Mohammad Al-Iabed appeared and informed the committee he paid the fine for the sale of alcohol for the June incident, but he never sold any cigarettes to an underage person on July 2, 2007. He stated he went to court on the charge last month and lost his case.

Recommended For Further Consideration

[07-1343](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from Alderman of the 4th District requesting to discuss complaints, and numerous incidents at the "Winner's Circle" Tavern located at 1403 Superior Street.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-12-07: Mr. Mike Williams (owner) of Winners Circle, 1403 Superior Street be requested to appear at the next Public Safety & Licensing meeting November 26, 2007 to address these concerns. The Police Department will provide committee with a 12 month history of calls at this establishment and the item be deferred until that time.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-26-07: That the item be deferred for 30 days and Mr. Williams will work with Lt. Purdy and Alderman Kaplan to come up with a resolution to the problems and report back to the committee on the measures being taken to prevent such problems in the future.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

1-07-08: That the agents of the following establishments, Rosie's, Double D's and American Legion including the agent of Winner's Circle (Mike Williams), Officer Hanke, the Community Policing Officer and Alderman Kaplan meet to discuss what solutions can be taken to address the on-going incidents and they bring the item back before this committee with their results.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Lt. Purdy informed committee members he and Mr. Williams have had numerous conversations and actually met last week to discuss the issues at this establishment. Lt. Purdy felt it was not appropriate to require the owner to install security cameras at this establishment. He felt this would need to be a group effort with the surrounding liquor establishments such as Rosie's, Double D's and American Legion. He feels the agents of the above mentioned establishments, including the agent of Winner's Circle (Mike Williams), Officer Hanke, the Community Policing Officer and Alderman Kaplan meet to discuss what solutions can be taken to address the on-going incidents. Lt. Purdy will contact the City Clerk's Office once they have met and will bring their results back to the committee.

Deferred

[07-1577](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) License Premise Report for November/Decemeber 2007.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

1-07-08: Request that the agents of Rosie's - 1333 Douglas Avenue and Cera's - 607 Sixth Street be requested to appear at the next Public Safety

& Licensing Committee meeting.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Received and Filed

07-1500

Subject:(Direct Referral) Communication from the Purchasing Agent submitting the monthly report for the sale of abandoned vehicles for December 17, 2007.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 1-07-08: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: This will generate \$13,348.01 in revenues.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

07-1593

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

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 1-07-08: That the Operator's (Bartender's) Licenses be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m. by Alderman Holding. The next scheduled meeting of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee is January 21, 2008.

ATTEST: JANICE M. JOHNSON-MARTIN
CITY CLERK