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Meeting Minutes - Final

Public Safety and Licensing Committee

Chair Jeff Coe
Alder Maurice Horton
Alder Melissa Lemke
Alder Jeffrey Peterson
Alder Carrie Glenn

Tuesday, June 23, 2020

5:30 PM

Virtually

Call To Order

PRESENT: 5 - Alder Glenn, Chair Coe, Alder Peterson, Vice Chairman Horton and Alder Lemke

Approval of Minutes for the June 09, 2020 Meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed on a motion of Alder Lemke, seconded by Alder Horton.

to Approve the Minutes

AYES: 4 - Alder Glenn, Alder Peterson, Vice Chairman Horton and Alder Lemke

[0299-20](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe on behalf of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee requesting the appearance of Aaron Morris, agent for The Egg Plant Cafe & Catering at 240 Main Street B, pursuant to a formal expression of concern in regards to not maintaining regular business hours, an update on Agent, and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern, regarding to renew or deny the liquor license. (1st District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 06-23-2020: That the appearance of Aaron Morris, agent for The Egg Plant Cafe & Catering at 240 Main Street B, pursuant to a formal expression of concern in regards to not maintaining regular business hours, an update on Agent, and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern, regarding to renew or deny the liquor license. (1st District), be Deferred.

Fiscal Note: N/A

David and Sandra Morris appeared virtually to speak before the committee. They stated they had not been open since December, but have Conditional Surrendered to the Clerk's Office. The Clerk's Office stated the new applicant had turned in the application, but it was returned due to not being filled out completely.

Alder Peterson made a motion to Defer for two weeks, seconded by Alder Horton.

Deferred

AYES: 3 - Alder Peterson, Vice Chairman Horton and Alder Lemke

NOES: 1 - Alder Glenn

[0300-20](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe on behalf of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee requesting the appearance of Tarplah Carver, agent for Vero's LLC at 211 6th Street, pursuant to a formal expression of concern in regards to not maintaining regular business hours and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern, regarding to renew or deny the liquor license. (1st District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 06-23-2020: That the appearance of Tarplah Carver, agent for Vero's LLC at 211 6th Street, pursuant to a formal expression of concern in regards to not maintaining regular business hours and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern, regarding to renew or deny the liquor license. (1st District), be Approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Glenn, seconded by Alder Lemke, that this Communication be Denied. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

AYES: 2 - Alder Glenn and Alder Lemke

NOES: 3 - Chair Coe, Alder Peterson and Vice Chairman Horton

Tarplah Carver appeared before the committee virtually via telephone. Mr. Carver stated that he is finishing up construction at 211 6th Street, and should be done in 4-6 months. He received his final permits from the city a few months ago, and with COVID-19 he was stalled with construction.

Alder Peterson made a motion to approve, seconded by Alder Horton.

A motion was made by Alder Peterson, seconded by Vice Chairman Horton, that this Communication be Approved. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 3 - Chair Coe, Alder Peterson and Vice Chairman Horton

NOES: 2 - Alder Glenn and Alder Lemke

[0301-20](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe on behalf of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee requesting the appearance of Dorothy Lee, agent for CBI of Racine INC DBA Tropical Paradise at 1600 Douglas Avenue, pursuant to a formal expression of concern for not having an operating business location and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern, regarding no renewal application, determining to renew or deny the liquor license. (4th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 06-23-2020: That the appearance of Dorothy Lee, agent for CBI of Racine INC DBA Tropical Paradise at 1600 Douglas Avenue, pursuant to a formal expression of concern for not having an operating business location and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern, regarding no renewal application, determining to renew or deny the liquor license. (4th District), be Denied.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Dorothy Lee appeared before the committee virtually. She stated she does not have a location at this time and is looking for an extension by the committee to get a place. It was stated she had not had a location for some time. The City Clerk's Office stated an application had been turned in but nothing was filled out, but the name of the agent. So the application was returned.

Based on the lack of a location for the premises, Alder Lemke made a motion to deny the renewal application and refer to the matter to the due process for a hearing, if one is requested, seconded by Alder Glenn.

Recommended For Denial

[0302-20](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe on behalf of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee requesting the appearance of Tesa Santoro, agent for HIAV LLC DBA Lokal at 501 6th Street, pursuant to a formal expression of concern for not having an operating business location for over two years and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern, regarding to renew or deny the liquor license. (1st District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 06-23-2020: That the appearance of Tesa Santoro, agent for HIAV LLC DBA Lokal at 501 6th Street, pursuant to a formal expression of concern for not having an operating business location for over two years and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern, regarding to renew or deny the liquor license. (1st District), be Denied.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Tesa Santoro did not appear before the committee virtually and has not made any contact with the City Clerk's office. The establishment received its application over two years ago but has never operated or been opened for business. There are still 3 people on the wait list for an alcohol license.

Based on failure to continuously operate under the license, Alder Lemke made a motion to deny the renewal application and refer to the matter to the due process board for a hearing, if one is requested, seconded by Alder Horton.

Recommended For Denial

[0304-20](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe on behalf of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee requesting the appearance of Fugang Wang, agent for Whey Chai Cuisine Inc at 400 Main Street, pursuant to a formal expression of concern in regards to not maintaining regular business hours and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern. (1st District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 06-23-2020: That the appearance of Fugang Wang, agent for Whey Chai Cuisine Inc at 400 Main Street, pursuant to a formal expression of concern in regards to not maintaining regular business hours and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern. (1st District), be Received and Filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Fugang Wang did not appear before the committee virtually and has not submitted a renewal application. The Clerk's Office stated mailings have been returned to the office, and an online search shows the business is permanently closed.

Alder Peterson made a motion to receive and file, seconded by Alder Glenn.

Received and Filed

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 pm.