



City of Racine

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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, September 8, 2008

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

Call to Order

PRESENT: 4 - Q.A. Shakoor, II, Aron Wisneski, Jim Kaplan and Robert Mozol

EXCUSED: 1 - Terry McCarthy

Approval of Minutes for the August 25, 2008 Meeting.

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

Public Comment

No one appeared.

08-2550

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Alderman of the 13th District requesting to discuss video poker machines at gas stations, convenience stores and other places.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 08-25-08: That the item be deferred.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 09-8-08: That the item be deferred to gather more information.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alderman Spangenberg appeared and spoke on the item. He expressed his concerns to the committee members that we need to send a message to our legislators informing them they need to address this problem as there is no consistency.

Ald. Shakoor spoke and stated the City of Racine has no jurisdiction on any actions that need to be taken by the State.

Attorney Weber informed committee members the State Statue is rather complex. The only thing the City could do would be to enact an ordinance which would prohibit any gambling in the City of Racine.

This item was deferred for two weeks to allow committee members time to write down their concerns, talk with the Racine Tavern League and others, to include the State of Wisconsin, and report their findings to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee.

Deferred

[08-2615](#)

Subject: (New) Application of Andrade Magdalena, for a Class "B" and "Class C" Wine license for 522 Sixth Street. (1st District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 09-8-08: The new application of Andrade Magdalena, for "Class C" and Class "B" Wine license for 522 Sixth Street be approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Mr. Magdalena appeared with his wife and informed the committee members he would like to open a Mexican Family Restaurant in the downtown area. He stated he had 15 years of experience and he would be leasing the building. The parking lot would be shared with the other business on the corner (Park 6th). He stated he would not have any music and he is only interested in serving beer and wine.

Alderman Wisneski asked that the questionnaire form submitted by Mr. Magdalena be amended to strike where he checked off hard liquor and beer and that it shows beer and wine only.

Recommended For Approval

[08-2609](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Renewal application of Abdul G. Hafiz, Racine Yellow Cab, LLC, for a Public Passenger Vehicle Operator's Business License.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 09-8-08: That the item be deferred for two weeks.

Attorney Weber informed committee members they had just received that afternoon the required certificate of insurance although it does not show it being paid until March 2009 when the license would expire.

City Clerk informed committee members she would recommend they defer the item as there still were concerns with them only having one driver currently licensed to operate a vehicle.

Deferred

[08-2563](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Ian J. King regarding the application for an Operator's (Bartender) License.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 08-25-08: That the item be deferred.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 09-8-08: That the operator's (bartender) license for Ian J. King be

granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Mr. King appeared and informed committee members he had only been on the job about a month when this incident occurred. He stated he had looked at the year wrong. He stated it was a stupid mistake and he now requires identification from all customers.

Granted

[08-2618](#)

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

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 09-8-08: That the applications for Operator's (Bartender's) Licenses be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

Miscellaneous Business

Alderman Kaplan informed committee members that he will be on medical leave beginning September 22, 2008 and will need to be excused from several meetings.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55p.m.