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CITY OF MILWAUKEE

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LICENSES COMMITTEE

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In the Matter of the Class "B" Tavern and Tavern  
Dance application for:

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JENNIFER GARCIA

"The 5th, LLC"

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815 South 5th Street

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Proceedings had and testimony given in

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the above-entitled matter, before the LICENSES

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COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF MILWAUKEE, on

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the 26th day of July, 2007.

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CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: Okay. In the 12th District, Jennifer Garcia, agent for "The 5th, LLC," Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance applications for "The 5th," at 815 South 5th Street. Good afternoon.

THE APPLICANT: Good afternoon.  
Please raise your right hand, we'll swear you in.

(Whereupon the applicant was sworn.)

CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: Name and address for the record, please.

THE APPLICANT: Jennifer Garcia, 2213 South Mound, Milwaukee, 53207.

CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: Jennifer, do you admit to receiving notice in the mail there's a possibility your application could be denied because of neighborhood objections to loitering, littering, loud music, noise, parking, traffic problems, disorderly patrons, trespassing and conduct which is detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood?

THE APPLICANT: Yes.

CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: Health department?

HEALTH: No objections.

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1                   CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: Neighborhood  
2 services.

3                   DNS: Hold for occupancy permit.

4                   CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: Can I see a show  
5 of hands? Is there anyone here in the room to  
6 testify relative to 815 South 5th Street. Yes,  
7 please come forward. You're - - You're already  
8 sworn in. So we don't have to do that again, but  
9 just identify yourself once again for the record,  
10 so our Court Reporter will get that.

11                  THE WITNESS: Julie Coffman, 602 South  
12 3rd Street.

13                  CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: Okay. Ms. Garcia,  
14 at this time please describe exactly what it is  
15 you plan to do, if you are granted this license  
16 at this location.

17                  THE APPLICANT: We plan on - - I plan  
18 on serving charbroiled meats, seafood, and have a  
19 variety of appe - - appetizer, traditional bar  
20 foods.

21                  CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: Okay. And then  
22 why are you applying for this license?

23                  THE APPLICANT: Well, it's mainly - -  
24 It's got a huge bar. A lot of the seating would  
25 be bar seating, and I would - - I would be

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1       throwing parties and having receptions and  
2       fundraisers, so I would like to be able to serve  
3       liquor.

4               CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: This - - Is this  
5       going to be primarily a restaurant?

6               THE APPLICANT: Yes.

7               CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: Okay. That's your  
8       main focus - -

9               THE APPLICANT: Yes.

10              CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: - - is going to be  
11       a restaurant. Okay. And you want this license  
12       so you have the - - you can serve alcohol as an  
13       amenity with your food?

14              THE APPLICANT: Correct.

15              CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: Ms. Coffman, your  
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17              THE WITNESS: I wanted clarification on  
18       the purpose. I'm pleased that it's - - Slower?  
19       Thank you for the clarification of the business.  
20       As I previously testified, we have significant  
21       problems and concerns around some of the bars on  
22       5th Street. When they discharge their customers  
23       at bar time, they all congregate in a parking lot  
24       and along the street on 5th - - between 4th and  
25       5th on Bruce Street. It's a hip-hop kind of a

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1 crowd. They - - They play loud music. They drag  
2 race on the streets, and this was the  
3 aforementioned, two shootings have occurred in  
4 that vicinity in the last several months. So my  
5 objection was to another bar, potentially that  
6 would be similar to those that discharge these  
7 customers. And if it was, I was going to  
8 determine if the applicant had experience and was  
9 willing to monitor those customers. But given  
10 what I understand this to be primarily a  
11 restaurant, I - - On the limited information I  
12 know, I'll support her.

13 CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: And this is for  
14 the benefit of those - - those of you who - - who  
15 don't remember. This is the - - the former  
16 Savoy, which was a very popular and well run  
17 restaurant in Milwaukee. And that owner left  
18 that to go start a different operation. And the  
19 place has kind of sat vacant since then. There's  
20 been a couple of attempts at it, but it is  
21 primarily a restaurant, so. Okay. Any questions  
22 by members of the committee?

23 ALDERMAN PUENTE: Move approval.

24 CHAIRMAN WITKOWIAK: Okay. Motion by  
25 Alderman Puente is to recommend approval. Are

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1       there any objections to that motion? Hearing  
2       none, so ordered. We look forward to your - -  
3       your new venture.

4               ALDERMAN WADE: Good luck.

5               THE APPLICANT: Thank you.

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11 license of "The 5th", that came before the Licenses  
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21 Dated this            day of August, 2007.

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