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**TONY ZIELINSKI**  
ALDERMAN, 14TH DISTRICT

January 12, 2016

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Honorable Members:

Common Council File Numbers 151143, 151192, and 151341 contain the following recommendations:

Renewal, with a ten (10) day suspension, based upon aldermanic and neighborhood testimony, of the Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises license(s) for Todd Sokowloski for the premises located at 4024 S Howell Ave ("Jerseys Pub & Grill") in the 13th aldermanic district.

Renewal with a 90 day suspension of the Food Dealer's and Public Entertainment Premises licenses, and nonrenewal of the Class B Beer and Class C Wine, based upon the police report, neighborhood and aldermanic testimony, and operating outside the plan of operation for Donald Lewis for the premises located at 2451 W Fond du Lac Ave ("Young Urban Jazz") in the 15th aldermanic district.

Renewal, with a ten (10) day suspension, based upon the police report of the Class D Operator's license for Michelle Eckert.

Nonrenewal, based upon nonappearance of the Class D Operator's license for Ayanna Allen.

Nonrenewal, based upon nonappearance of the Class D Operator's license for Tonya Brewer.

Nonrenewal, based upon nonappearance of the Class D Operator's license for Jacob Dehne.

Nonrenewal, based upon nonappearance of the Class D Operator's license for Twanna Dillard.

Nonrenewal, based upon nonappearance of the Class D Operator's license for Anthony Olivera.

Revocation, based upon police report and testimony, of the Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises license(s) for J. Jesus Gamez for the premises located at 1905 S 6<sup>th</sup> St ("Palomas Place") in the 12th aldermanic district.

Nonrenewal, based upon nonappearance of the Class D Operator's license for J. Jesus Gamez.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Zielinski".

Tony Zielinski, Chair  
Licenses Committee

cc: All Council Members  
Files 151143, 151192, and 151341

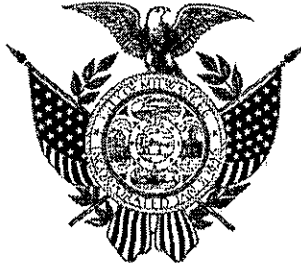


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**TONY ZIELINSKI**  
ALDERMAN, 14TH DISTRICT

Date: January 8, 2016

To: All Members of the Milwaukee Common Council

From: The Licenses Committee

Re: Report of the Licenses Committee on the complaint seeking revocation of the Class "B" Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises licenses held by J. Jesus Gamez for the premises located at 1905 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Palomas Place").

### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. J. Jesus Gamez (hereinafter the "License") is the holder of Class "B" Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises licenses for the premises located at 1905 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Palomas Place").
2. A complaint for revocation of this license was filed with the City Clerk by Captain Heather Wurth on behalf of Chief of Police Edward Flynn. The complaint alleged that the premises known as "Palomas Place" facilitates illegal drug activity and that it constitutes a public nuisance.
3. Said summons commanded the appearance of J. Jesus Gamez to answer the complaint for revocation of the Class "B" Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises licenses on January 5, 2016 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 301-B of City Hall. At that date time and place, the licensee, J. Jesus Gamez failed to appear and answer the complaint as summoned and was not represented by counsel.
4. Based upon the sworn testimony heard and the evidence received at the hearing, the Committee found the following:

The Licensee failed to appear.

Assistant City Attorney Nick DeSiato stated there were eight undercover drug buys. Five of the buys occurred between January and May resulting in the purchase of cocaine. A search warrant was executed after the fifth buy when a considerable amount of cocaine and methamphetamine was recovered.

The following day the police were notified that more drugs were being sold. Three more buys took place and another search warrant was executed on October 1st where cocaine was found throughout the premises. The buys were conducted by a confidential informant and a police officer. Every buy was confirmed and tested positive for cocaine or methamphetamine. The Department of Revenue participated in the search warrants, found violations of excise laws and



confiscated three crates of alcohol (the first time) and ninety-nine bottles the second time.

The following individuals were present:

Captain Heather Wurth, Milwaukee Police Department  
Sergeant Tabiaddon, Milwaukee Police Department  
Police Officer Bill Esqueda, Milwaukee Police Department  
State Patrol Officer Derek Bergum  
Agent Georgeann King, Department of Revenue

Alderman Jose Perez stated he is in support of the revocation.

Alderman Robert Puente moved approval of the revocation based upon City Attorney testimony.

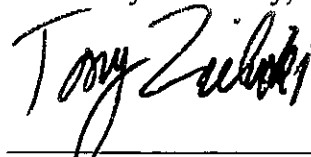
#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Committee has jurisdiction to hold hearings and provided Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and a Recommendation to the full Common Council pursuant to Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes and Chapters 90 and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances.
2. Based upon the above facts found, the Committee concludes that the licensee, J. Jesus Gamez, has not met the criteria of Chapters 90 and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances or Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes to allow the continued operation of the premises.
3. In order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Milwaukee, it is the recommendation of the Licenses Committee that the full Common Council of the City of Milwaukee should exercise its judgment to revoke the Class "B" Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises licenses held by J. Jesus Gamez for the premises located at 1905 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Palomas Place") based upon the evidence and testimony provided by the Milwaukee Police Department.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law stated above, the Committee, by a vote of five (5) ayes and zero (0) noes, recommends that the Class "B" Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises licenses held by J. Jesus Gamez for the premises located at 1905 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Palomas Place") be revoked.

Dated and signed at Milwaukee, Wisconsin this 8th day of January, 2016.



TONY ZIELINSKI, Chair  
Licenses Committee