



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes - Final LICENSES COMMITTEE

ALD. JAMES A. BOHL, JR., CHAIR
Ald. Milele A. Coggs, Vice-Chair
Ald. Ashanti Hamilton, Ald. T. Anthony Zielinski, and Ald. Nik Kovac

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Monday, February 15, 2010

10:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

Special

Meeting called to order at 10:15 a.m.

Present 3 - Bohl, Coggs, Kovac

Excused 2 - Hamilton, Zielinski

1. [091218](#) Motion relating to the new application for a food dealer license of Falls Eatery, LLC for the premises at 6222 W. Fond du Lac Avenue doing business as "Falls Eatery, LLC" in the 2nd Aldermanic District.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Individuals appearing:

Atty. Vincent Bobot, counsel for the applicant.

Ald. Joe Davis, Sr., 2nd Aldermanic District

Ald. Davis says that the location has been a source of some concerns in the neighborhood and that he has not received any business plan and the applicant has not reached out to the community. He also says that he wants to sit down with the community and the applicant to discuss the plans for the restaurant.

A motion was made by ALD. KOVAC that this Motion be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 3 - Bohl, Coggs and Kovac

No 0

Excused 2 - Hamilton and Zielinski

10:15 A.M.

2. [091259](#) Motion relating to the recommendations of the Licenses Committee relative to licenses.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

03 LISON, William A., Agent for "Commingled, LLC", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Amusement (Cabaret/Nite Club) applications for "Hybrid Lounge" at 707 E. Brady Street.

Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 5510 W. Wisconsin Ave. Nathan Freed, member of the LLC, also at the table.

The applicant requests adding comedy acts to its Amusement/Cabaret portion of the application.

Ald. Kovac moves to accept the amendment to the application. Prevailed 3-0. (Ald. Hamilton and Ald. Zielinski excused)

Ald. Zielinski at the table at 10:37 a.m.

Neighborhood supporter:

Grant Gehweiler, President of the Brady Street Association, 1844 N. Oakland Ave. He says that the association had concerns, but is in support of the license.

Ald. Kovac moves to make a concentration map dated February 9, 2010 centered on 707 E. Brady St., part of the record. Prevailed 4-0. (Ald. Hamilton excused)

Grant by Ald. Kovac as amended. Prevailed 4-0. (Ald. Hamilton excused)

A motion was made by ALD. KOVAC that this Motion be AMENDED. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Bohl, Coggs, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

Excused 1 - Hamilton

Attendance taken at 10:47 a.m.

Present 4 - Bohl, Coggs, Zielinski, Kovac

Excused 1 - Hamilton

091259

Motion relating to the recommendations of the Licenses Committee relative to licenses.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

03 BROWN, Marc A., Agent for "Silverstien Group, LLC", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance applications with an age distinction of 30 years of age and older Thursday-Saturday for "A-List Supper Club & Lounge" at 2116 N. Farwell Avenue.

New Location

Special Letter

Applicant at the table, Atty. Howard Mitz, 1017 W. Glen Oaks Lane, Suite 104,

Mequon, at the table as counsel. Applicant at the table, 3206 N. 11th St.

Marsha Bacon and Raymond Bacon, 4519 Pennington Lane, Racine, members of the LLC, at the table. John Kesselman, 10620 N. Port Washington Rd., Mequon, representative of the building owner, also at the table.

Atty. Mitz requests the item be held since Ald. Hamilton is not present. He says that Ald. Hamilton has knowledge of the item and that the applicant would request that the item be rescheduled on a day on which Ald. Hamilton can appear.

The item is not being held. Ald. Bohl is calling this a contested hearing.

Neighborhood objectors present:

Jim Plaisted, 2122 N. Prospect Ave., Executive Director of the East Side Business Improvement District and the East Side Association. He is in opposition to the license.

Ald. Coggs makes a memorandum from The East Side Association provided by Mr. Plaisted part of the record. Prevailed 3-0. (Ald. Hamilton and Ald. Zielinski excused) (Exhibit 1)

Karen Hunt, 1956 N. Oakland Ave., board member of the East Bank Neighborhood Association. She is in opposition to the license.

Ald. Coggs moves to make a geographic rendition centered on the establishment location part of the record. Prevailed 3-0. (Ald. Hamilton and Ald. Zielinski excused) (Exhibit 2)

Paul Votto, 3110 Parkside Dr., Brookfield, representing the Dermond Property Investments property at 1857 E. Kenilworth Ave. He is in opposition to the license.

John Krzewinski, 1562 W. Irving Place, is in opposition to the license.

Arlene Cofta, 1612 E. Irving Place, is in opposition to the license.

Phyllis Atwell, 1604 E. Irving Place, is in opposition to the license.

Mavis Hubbard, 1606 E. Irving Place, is in opposition to the license.

Grant Gehweiler, 1844 N. Oakland Ave., President of the Brady Street Area Association, is in opposition to the license.

Suzette Orcholski, 1615 E. Irving Place, is in opposition to the license.

Steve Atwell, 1956 N. Oakland Ave., is in opposition to the license.

Supporters:

John Kesselman, 10620 N. Port Washington Rd., Mequon, representative of the building owner. He is in support of the license.

Kwabena Nixon, 2222 N. 19th St., #606, representative of MUEA-Milwaukee Urban Entertainment Alliance. He is in support of the license.

Donte Mills, 3805 N. 39th St., employee of the licensee. He is in support of the

license.

Edward A Brown, Jr., 3206 N. 11th St., brother of the applicant and LLC member. He says that the location will be primarily a restaurant.

Ald. Coggs moves to make the plan of operation and the restaurant's menu part of the official record. Prevalled 4-0. (Ald. Hamilton excused)

Ald. Kovac moves to make a concentration map dated February 10, 2010 centered on 2116 N. Farwell Ave. part of the record. Prevalled 4-0. (Ald. Hamilton excused) (Exhibit 3)

Marvin Pratt, 4045 N. 16th St., of Marvin Pratt and Associates. He is in support of the license.

Meeting recessed at 1:24 p.m.
Meeting reconvened at 1:33 p.m.

Atty. Mltz noted that his clients are willing to hold their application for Tavern Dance in abeyance.

Granting of the Class "B" Tavern license and denial of the Tavern Dance license, based on neighborhood testimony, by Ald. Kovac. Failed. 2-2 (Ald. Bohl and Ald. Coggs voting "no" and Ald. Hamilton excused)

Grant Class "B" tavern license and hold to the call of the Tavern Dance license, by Ald. Coggs. Failed. 2-2 (Ald. Zielinski and Ald. Kovac voting "no" and Ald. Hamilton excused)

RECESS: 1:56 P.M.
RECONVENE: 2:15 P.M.

Ronald Leonhardt, City Clerk, now present to speak on the issue of referring this matter to the Council without a recommendation. He said that this application could be referred without recommendation and, if that is done, all Council members would either need to read the transcript or watch this hearing prior to action on the Council floor.

Ald. Zielinski moved that this be referred to Council without recommendation. Prevalled. 3-1 (Ald. Coggs voting "no" and Ald. Hamilton excused)

A motion was made by ALD. ZIELINSKI that this Motion be AMENDED. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 3 - Bohl, Zielinski and Kovac

No 1 - Coggs

Excused 1 - Hamilton

08 ARIAS GARCIA, Oliva A. and DE LA CRUZ, Pablo, Class "B" Tavern and Record Spin partnership renewal applications for "La Espanola" at 2237 W. Forest Home Avenue. (Expires 3-2-10)

Special Letter

Ald. Donovan present at the table. Nancy Moldonado, 3312 S. 14th St., also at the table.

Applicants would like to withdraw their application for renewal.

Accept withdrawal of the partnership renewal application by Ald. Coggs. Prevailed 3-0. (Ald. Zielinski and Ald. Hamilton excused)

A motion was made by ALD. COGGS that this Motion be AMENDED. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 3 - Bohl, Coggs and Kovac

No 0

Excused 2 - Hamilton and Zielinski

A motion was made by ALD. KOVAC that this Motion be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 3 - Bohl, Coggs and Kovac

No 0

Excused 2 - Hamilton and Zielinski

Meeting adjourned: 2:29 P.M.

Staff Assistant Tobie Black

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