



City of Milwaukee Meeting Minutes

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Milwaukee, Wisconsin
53202

UTILITIES & LICENSES COMMITTEE

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Wednesday, June 22, 2005

1:30 PM

301-B, City Hall

Special

Meeting convened: 1:48 P.M.

Members Present: ALD. WITKOWIAK, ALD. BOHL, ALD. PUENTE and ALD. WADE

Members Excused: ALD. DUDZIK

1) [050195](#)

A substitute ordinance relating to public passenger vehicle regulations.

[Fiscal Note.rtf](#)

Speakers:

1. Peter Tsounis - 2828 E. College Ave., Cudahy
2. Ali Haydary Yasavoli - 2338 W. Burnham
3. Michael DeNicola - 300 S. 63rd St.
4. Alex Friedman - 4971 S. Iroquis, Glendale
5. Wayne Rovanseck - 2134 N. 28th St.
6. Vakramj Singh - left and didn't speak
7. Muhammad Nawaz - 4873 S. 14th St., #4
8. Muhammad Tariq - left and didn't speak
9. Dharmender Pal Singh - didn't speak
10. Abronchi Haile - didn't speak
11. Amandeep Mahal - 5315 W. Greenfield Ave., #1
12. Val Sigal - 8948 N. Iroquois Rd.
13. Samih Omari - 1824 E. Jarvis - spoke from the audience and the table
14. Emad Ekkhalife - 4180 W. Hawthorne Trace #206
15. Benjamin Adetiba - 4729 W. Garfield Ave.
16. Justice Khalsa - 7455 N. Port Washington Rd.
17. John Doherty - 1707 N. Prospect - Transit Express

18. *Sarrie Assaf - PO Box 51193, Milwaukee 53203*

Ald. Wade amends the ordinance to include all public passenger vehicle drivers and public passenger vehicles, not just taxicab drivers and taxicabs. Prevalled.

A motion was made by Ald. Wade that this matter be AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. WITKOWIAK, ALD. BOHL, ALD. PUENTE and ALD. WADE

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. DUDZIK

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A motion was made by Vice Chair Bohl that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - ALD. WITKOWIAK, ALD. BOHL and ALD. WADE

Noes: 1 - ALD. PUENTE

Excused: 1 - ALD. DUDZIK

2) **050292**

A substitute ordinance relating to public passenger vehicle driver's license testing and personal appearance of public passenger vehicle drivers.

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The City Attorney has concerns related to discrimination as it relates to the English-language testing requirement.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Bohl that this matter be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. WITKOWIAK, ALD. BOHL, ALD. PUENTE and ALD. WADE

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. DUDZIK

3) [050293](#)

An ordinance relating to revocation of public passenger vehicle permits and suspension and revocation of public passenger vehicle driver's licenses.

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Ayes: 4 - ALD. WITKOWIAK, ALD. BOHL, ALD. PUENTE and ALD. WADE
Noes: 0
Excused: 1 - ALD. DUDZIK

4) [050291](#)

An ordinance relating to restricting the age of vehicles operating as taxicabs.

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A motion was made by Vice Chair Bohl that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. The motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - ALD. BOHL and ALD. WADE
Noes: 2 - ALD. WITKOWIAK and ALD. PUENTE
Excused: 1 - ALD. DUDZIK

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A motion was made by Vice Chair Bohl that this matter be REFERRED WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - ALD. WITKOWIAK, ALD. BOHL and ALD. WADE
Noes: 1 - ALD. PUENTE
Excused: 1 - ALD. DUDZIK

5) 050253

An ordinance relating to issuance of taxicab permits.

[Communication from Ald. Witkowiak.PDF](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Wade that this matter be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. WITKOWIAK, ALD. BOHL, ALD. PUENTE and ALD. WADE
Noes: 0
Excused: 1 - ALD. DUDZIK

6) 050254

An ordinance relating to retitling twenty-four hour establishments to extended hours establishments.

[Fiscal Note.rtf](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Wade that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. WITKOWIAK, ALD. BOHL, ALD. PUENTE and ALD. WADE

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. DUDZIK

3:30 P.M.

7) [050208](#)

A substitute ordinance relating to food peddler regulations.

[Fiscal Note.rtf](#)

[Letter from F. Camacho.PDF](#)

Speakers:

1. *Francisco Camacho - 916 S. 11th St.*
2. *John Stern - Frankfurter & Sons hot dog carts*
3. *Marco - Marco's Dogs*

City officials present:

Deputy Inspector Anna Ruzinski

Loyce Robinson - Consumer Health Protection Division of the Health Department

Ald. Wade amends the file to have the closing hour be no later than one hour after bar time (from 9 p.m. to one hour after bar closing time). Prevailed.

A motion was made by Ald. Wade that this matter be AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. WITKOWIAK, ALD. BOHL, ALD. PUENTE and ALD. WADE

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. DUDZIK

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[Fiscal Note.rtf](#)

[Letter from F. Camacho.PDF](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Wade that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. WITKOWIAK, ALD. BOHL, ALD. PUENTE and ALD.

WADE

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. DUDZIK

Meeting adjourned: 5:03 P.M.

Linda M. Elmer

Staff Assistant

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