

LICENSES COMMITTEE

ALD. JAMES WITKOWIAK, Chair Ald. James Bohl Jr., Vice Chair Ald. Robert Puente, Ald. Willie Wade, Ald. Terry Witkowski

October 29, 2007

City Hall, 301-B

LICENSE APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE:

8:00 A.M.

OS CORREA, Hermogenes, Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer application for "Tedechy Auto Sales" at 3400-04 W. National Avenue.

New Location Special Letter

Patrick McGuinn – West Allis - friend of the applicant Opponent:

Helen Hermes – 815 S. 34th St.

Make packet of 4 pages of photos provided by Ms. Hermes part of the record, by Ald. Puente. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Wade excused)(Exhibit 1)

Ald. Donovan at the table – he supports the statements of the opponent that this operation has been a continual eyesore and more of a junkyard than a used car lot; other neighbors have also been concerned. The applicant has been working on the property and it is night-and-day from what the site had looked like.

Hold to the call of the chair to allow the applicant to finish work on the property, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Wade excused)

- SINGH, Jatinder, Agent for "Harmony Food, LLC", Class "A" Malt application for "Harmony Food" at 2108 S. 25th Street.

 Ald. Donovan at the table he has spoken with the applicant about sales to underage and feels that the establishment won't have an adverse impact on the neighborhood.

 Grant, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Wade excused)
- TSUCHIHASHI, Michael K., Agent for "Forest County Potawatomi Community", Class "B"
 Tavern and Tavern Amusement (Cabaret/Nite Club) applications for "Potawatomi Bingo
 Casino" at 1721 W. Canal Street.

 New Location
 Special Letter

Ald. Donovan at the table – he has no objections. Att. John Finerty Grant, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Wade excused)

8:15 A.M.

14 HARRELL, Mary M., Agent for "Viva La Femme, LLC", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Amusement (Cabaret/Nite Club) transfer applications for "Viva La Femme" from 1619 S. 1st Street to 2331 S. 5th Street.

New Location Special Letter

Ald. Zielinski at the table – he is concerned with conflict between the application and statements made by the licensee at the table, particularly in regards to live music. The applicant does not plan to have live bands. Parking is currently a severe problem for the neighborhood and this establishment would only exacerbate it.

Michael Wyne – Franklin – building owner

Desiree Harrell - 524 W. Clark St.

Make concentration map and report part of the record, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald.

Wade excused)(Exhibit 1)

Opponents:

Brian Gillingham – 2425 S. 5th St.

James Puma – 2437 S. 5th St.

Ald. Wade arrives at 9:25 A.M.

Corrine Gillingham – 506A W. Lincoln Ave.

Dennis Kenia – 2400 S. 5th St.

Steven Henn – 3401 S. 5th St.

Joan Karmas – 2323 S. 5th Pl.

Make 4 photos on 2 sheets of paper provided by Mr. Wine part of the record, by Ald.

Witkowski. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Puente excused)(Exhibit 2)

Saltas Maldonado – 2343 S. 5th St.

Cosne Seneca – 2409 S. 5th St.

Hugo Bravo – 2429 S. 5th St.

Ron Ruedke – 2323 S. 5th Pl.

Supporters:

Charles Daniels – 1817 N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr.

Martha Love – 1846 W. Cherry St.

Deny, based on neighborhood testimony related to the fitness of the location and concentration, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 5-0

8:30 A.M.

O4 COLLINS, Timothy G., Agent for "St. Paul Seafood, LLC", Class "B" Beer and Class "C" Wine applications for "St. Paul Fish Company" at 400 N. Water Street – NE Corner of 1st Floor.

New Location

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Ald. Bauman at the table – he has no objections; they run a fine operation.

Grant, by Ald. Puente. Prevailed. 5-0

8:45 A.M.

O4 GROSS, Elly J., Agent for "Pabst Theater Concessions, LLC", Class "B" Tavern, Tavern Amusement (Cabaret/Nite Club) and Center for the Visual and Performing Arts applications for "Turner Hall Ballroom" at 1040 N. 4th Street.

Ald. Bauman at the table – this license application separates the license from the license for the restaurant, so that the premises will have 2 licenses, rather than one.

Gary Witt – 106645 W. Woodview, Brookfield – Executive Director

Att. David Jubelilier – 105 E. Chicago St.

Opponent:

Dave Halbrooks – 2924 E. Linwood

Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 5-0

- BROWN, Sonja K., Agent for "Brewtown Entertainment Group, LLC", Class "B" Tavern, Instrumental Music and Videogame Center renewal applications for "Jim Hegarty's Pub" at 1120 W. Wells Street. (expires 11-10-07) Special Letter Ald. Bauman at the table he has no objection to renewal.
 Make police report part of the record, by Ald. Puente. Prevailed. 5-0 Grant, with a warning letter, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 4-1 (Ald. Wade voting "no")
- O4 ESHAI, Faisal, Agent for "D & B Petroleum, LLC", Extended Hours Establishment application for "D & B Petroleum" at 2502 W. Wisconsin Avenue. New Location Special Letter

Ald. Bauman at the table – he is opposed to this license. It's across the street from a McDonald's which also wanted a 24-hour operation (which was denied) and is in a high-crime area so that loiterers are able to be easily seen by the police if the premises are not open. Att. David Bangert

Deny, based on possible detrimental effect on the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-1 (Ald. Bohl voting "no"; Ald. Witkowiak excused)

1TSINES, Savas D., Agent for "DNA Incorporated", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance applications for "Koozy's Café Bar" at 1003-07 N. Old World Third Street.

Special Letter

Ald. Bauman at the table – this was scheduled this past cycle so that the agent could be changed based upon the criminal record of the current agent. The change in agent, however, wasn't filed until Oct. 25th.

Opponent:

Brian Renier – Grafton – President of Third Street Association Hold to the call of the chair in order to get the paperwork in order, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Witkowiak excused)

O4 SHAIKH, Omar, Agent for "Milwaukee Street Business, Inc.", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance applications for "Sun Tzu" at 718 N. Milwaukee Street.

Special Letter

Ald. Bauman at the table.

Hold to the call of the chair as applicant not present, by Ald. Wade. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Witkowiak and Ald. Puente excused)

9:00 A.M.

PATROLA, Ramesh S., Agent for "Guru, Inc.", Class "B" Tavern application for "Indian Rasoi" at 1692-94 N. Van Buren Street. Special Letter A.D. 3 aide at the table – the alderman supports this application. Emerjit Singh – 320 W. Scott St. – translator

Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Witkowiak and Ald. Puente excused)

07 QUINN, Billy J., Junk Collector (Truck) application for "BJ Scrap" at 3039 N. 20th Street.

New Location
Special Letter

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Deny, based on non-appearance, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Witkowiak and Ald. Puente excused)

07 THOMPSON, David, Junk Collector (Truck) application for "David Thompson" at 3147 N. 37th Street. New Location

Special Letter

Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Witkowiak and Ald. Puente excused)

9:15 A.M.

06 BROCK, Juanita, Junk Collector (Truck) application for "Juanita & Tee's" at 2870 N. Teutonia Avenue.

New Location
Special Letter

A.D. 6 aide at the table.

Make photos from the Dept. of Neighborhood Services part of the record, by. Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Witkowiak and Ald. Puente excused)(Exhibit 1)

Hold to the call of the chair so that the applicant can amend the application to be her home address, rather than a fenced-in, vacant lot with no paved parking, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Witkowiak and Ald. Puente excused)

O6 CARTER, SR, Tony M., Class "B" Tavern and Instrumental Music renewal applications for "Ray's Rhythm & Blues Lounge" at 2712 N. Dr. M L King, Jr. Drive. (expires 12-12-07)

Special Letter

A.D. 6 aide at the table – the alderman has no position on this application.

Deny, based on non-appearance, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 2-1 (Ald. Wade voting "no"; Ald. Witkowiak and Ald. Puente excused)

Reconsider, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Puente excused)

This matter was taken up at 12:29 P.M.

Applicant now present.

Marjorie Rucker – Historic King Dr. Business Improvement District

Hold to the call of the chair at the applicant's request, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Puente excused)

06 LUCKETT, Kevin D., Class "B" Tavern application for "Brothers II" at 3251 N. 8th Street.

Special Letter

A.D. 6 aide at the table – the alderman would like to have this matter held one cycle because the neighbors weren't notified nor did the applicant speak with the alderman's office (although the applicant said he spoke directly with the alderman himself)
Supporter:

Ronnie Gilham – 4563 N. 37th St. – sold the bar to the applicant

Opponent:

Alan D'Amato – 3239 N. 8th St.

Hold to the call of the chair so the alderman's office can organize any meetings if need be, by Ald. Witkowiak. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Witkowski excused)

9:30 A.M.

ABDALLAH, Ahmad, Agent for "S & F VIP, Inc.", Class "A" Liquor & Malt application for "VIP 13 Food & Liquor Mart" at 6329 S. 20th Street. Special Letter

Att. Brian Sajdak – representing the property owner

Muhammed Abdula – Franklin

Sam Hussain – Greenfield - brother of the owner and nephew of the agent Supporters:

Greg Kawczynski – 6666 S. 20th St.

Vicki Zervo – 6600 S. 27th St. – interim president of the College Heights Neighborhood Association

Danny Zbrozek - 1820 W. Salem St.

Opponents:

Chris Monroe – 6380 S. 20th St. – president of the College Heights Neighborhood Association Thomas Frozena – 6382 S. 20th St.

Gwendolyn Ezell – 6380 S. 20th St.

Chester Kuzminski – 1814 W. Salem St.

Deny, based on neighborhood testimony and adverse impact to the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Bohl excused)

RECESS: 12:15 P.M. RECONVENE: 12:39 P.M.

13 SOSA, Arnulfo, Class "B" Tavern renewal application and NEW Tavern Dance application for "Las Dos Estrellas" at 1901 W. Grant Street. (expires 11-26-07)

Special Letter

Gustavo Romero – 3924 S. 2nd St. – translator and bartender Make police report part of the record, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Puente excused) Grant Class "B" Tavern License with a 10-day suspension based on the police report and hold to the call of the chair the Tavern Dance license so the applicant can meet with the local alderman, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Puente excused)

10:00 A.M.

12 ALI, Tara N., Agent for "Fuzion Café & Lounge, Inc.", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Amusement (Cabaret/Nite Club) applications for "Fuzion Café & Lounge" at 524 S. 2nd Street. **New Location**

Special Letter

Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 5-0

MOLINARI, Rafael, Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance applications for "La Borinquena" at 12 1503 W. Arthur Avenue. Special Letter

Mildred Rodriguez – 1503 W. Lincoln Ave. – owner Grant, by Ald. Wade. Prevailed. 5-0

10:15 A.M.

12 MERCADO SANCHEZ, Rogelio, Class "B" Tavern application for "Taco Riendo" at 1631 W. Mitchell Street. **New Location** Special Letter

As of 10/29/07

Att. Roberto Ledesma Grant, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 5-0

10:30 A.M.

PSZENNIAK, Lukas, Agent for "CY2, LLC", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance applications for "C2" at 140 S. 1st Street.

New Location

Special Letter

Hold to the call of the chair as applicant out of the country and some neighbors said they didn't get notices, by Ald. Witkowiak. Prevailed. 5-0

10:45 A.M.

JANUSZ, Darlene J., Agent for "Janusz Enterprizes, Inc.", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance renewal applications for "It's Russ & Darlene's Bar & Hall" at 3427-31 W. Lincoln Avenue. (expire 11-23-07)

Special Letter

Ald. Dudzik at the table – This was in Ald. Donovan's district and he had no concerns with this establishment. He thinks they may just need to step up their efforts to get decent bartenders. Russ Janusz also present.

Make police report part of the record, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 5-0 Grant, with a warning letter not to include item #7, by Ald. Puente. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Bohl excused)

1:30 P.M.

BANACIN, Sue A., Class "D" Bartender application.

Special Letter

Deny, based on non-appearance, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Bohl excused)

BODWIN, Brock J., Class "D" Bartender application.

Special Letter

Make police report part of the record, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Bohl excused) Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Bohl excused)

FERREIRA, Carolina M., Class "D" Bartender application.

Special Letter

Deny, based on non-appearance, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Bohl excused)

FISCHER, Joseph A., Class "D" Bartender application.

Special Letter

Make police report part of the record, by Ald. Puente. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Bohl excused) Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Bohl excused)

PAIGE, JR, John E., Class "D" Bartender application.

Special Letter

Deny, based on non-appearance, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Bohl excused)

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RECESS: 1:55 P.M.

RECONVENE: 2:21 P.M.

2:00 P.M.

WRIGHT, Sonja D., Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance applications for "The Fitzgerald's Jazz & Blues" at 2001 N. 30th Street.

Special Letter

A.D. 15 aide at the table – the alderman has no objections as long as the music format is kept the same (jazz).

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Make police report part of the record, by Ald. Puente. Prevailed. 5-0 Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 5-0

2:15 P.M.

TALYANSKY, Edward I., Agent for "Midwest Auto Recycling, LLC", Auto Wrecker application for "Midwest Auto Recycling" at 2431 N. 30th Street. Special Letter

A.D. 15 aide at the table – the alderman's office has gotten a number of complaints about this operation, which had its license denied by the city. It is not currently operating in the city, but does have an operation in Cudahy that responds to equipment requests online.

Att. Brian Randall

Make police report part of the record, by Ald. Puente. Prevailed. 5-0 Supporter:

Leroy Holmes – 4700 W. Capitol Dr.

Make supplemental plan of operation provided by Att. Randall part of the record, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 5-0 (Exhibit 1)

Make packet of responses to warning letters from the Wisconsin Dept. of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection provided by Att. Randall part of the record, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Wade excused)(Exhibit 2)

Make Statement of Consumer Policy provided by Att. Randall part of the record, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Wade excused)(Exhibit 3)

Make packet of support letters from employees provided by Att. Randall part of the record, by Ald. Witkowski. Failed. 1-3 (Ald. Bohl, Ald. Witkowiak and Ald. Puente voting "no"; Ald. Wade excused)(Rejected Exhibit 1)

Make letter from Captain McPike, Wisconsin Dept. of Corrections, dated 10/29/07 provided by Att. Randall part of the record, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Wade excused)(Exhibit 4) Deny, based on the applicant's past involvement with MidCity and possible adverse impact to the public health, safety and welfare, by Ald. Bohl. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Wade excused)

2:30 P.M.

MC KENZIE, Ricardo D., and Leonie A., Class "B" Tavern renewal partnership application for "Leoric Sport Club Bar & Grill" at 2035 W. Fond du Lac Avenue.

Special Letter

A.D. 15 aide at the table – the alderman supports the committee's decision in this matter. Make police report part of the record, by Ald. Puente. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Wade excused) Grant, with a 60-day suspension based on the police report, by Ald. Witkowski. Failed. 1-3 (Ald. Bohl, Ald. Puente and Ald. Witkowiak voting "no"; Ald. Wade excused)

Grant, with a 20-day suspension based on the police report, by Ald. Bohl. Failed. 2-2 (Ald. Witkowski and Ald. Puente voting "no"; Ald. Wade excused)

Grant, with a 30-day suspension based on the police report, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Wade excused)

AGENDA ONLY

- MC DONALD, Valerie M., Agent for "Woman's Club of Wisconsin", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance renewal applications with change of officer for "Woman's Club of Wisconsin" at 813 E. Kilbourn Avenue.
 Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Bohl and Ald. Wade excused)
- METCALF, Larry, Agent for "Kensington Management, Inc.", Extended Hours Establishment License application for "Taco Bell" at 5441 N. Lovers Lane Road.

 Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Bohl and Ald. Wade excused)
- 14 HART, Mary K., Agent for "Hi Fi Café, LLC", Class "B" Beer and Class "C" Wine renewal applications with change of member and shareholder for "Hi Fi Café" at 2640 S. Kinnickinnic Avenue.
 - Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Bohl and Ald. Wade excused)

TEMPORARY EXTENSION

O4 SHIELDS, Timothy J., Agent for "Milwaukee Repertory Theater, Inc.", Request for a temporary extension of premises for "Milwaukee Repertory Theater" at 108 E. Wells Street to include the 2nd floor Arboretum at the north side of Stackner Cabaret on November 27, 2007 from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for "Jolly Holly Folly".

Grant, by Ald. Puente. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Bohl and Ald. Wade excused)

WARNING LETTERS

- MANJEE, Habib, Agent for "Lady Bug Club, LLC", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Amusement (Cabaret/Nite Club) renewal applications for "Ladybug Club/618 Live on Water" at 622 N. Water Street.

 Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Bohl and Ald. Wade excused)
- NEUREUTHER, Joshua R., Agent for "HB Milwaukee, LLC", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance renewal applications for "Old German Beer Hall" at 1009 N. Old World Third Street. Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Bohl and Ald. Wade excused)
- MAIORELLE, Joseph D., Agent for "Diamondback Management, Inc.", Class "B" Tavern renewal application with change of agent for "Tumbleweed Southwest Grill" at 10950 W. Good Hope Road.

 Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Bohl and Ald. Wade excused)
- O9 CERAR-MC CORMACK, Doris M., Agent for "New Entertainers, Inc.", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance renewal applications for "New Entertainers" at 5321 W. Green Tree Road. Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Bohl and Ald. Wade excused)

- PHIFER, Linda D., Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance renewal applications for "Rainbow Lounge" at 1734 W. Greenfield Avenue.

 Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Bohl and Ald. Wade excused)
- 12 ROMERO-PEREZ, Mirtha M., Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance renewal applications for "La Bachata" at 625 S. 6th Street.
 Grant, by Ald. Witkowski. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Bohl and Ald. Wade excused)