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Meeting Minutes

LICENSES COMMITTEE

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Ald. Peter Burgelis, Ald. Alex Brower and Ald. DiAndre Jackson

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9:00 AM

Room 301-B, Third Floor, City Hall

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 am

Present 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, Jackson

1. [260204](#) Motion relating to the recommendations of the Licenses Committee relating to licenses.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

03 CHEKKALA, Ram Mohan Rao, Agent for "3 EYE LLC", Class B Tavern License Application for "KOPPA'S FULBELI DELI" at 1940 N FARWELL Av.

The applicant was present.

The police report was read.

The applicant said that the item on the police report is related to his business partner at a different location.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Brower asked for a commitment to card anyone under 21 years old prior selling tobacco and alcoholic products.

The applicant said that he will do it.

Ald. Brower said that he held a community meeting and that there are no objections with this new operation.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Brower moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 1 - Pratt

03 STAMATES, Jay K, Agent for "2498 BARTLETT OG LLC", Class B Tavern and Food Dealer Licenses Application for "OG PUB & GRILLE" at 2498 N BARTLETT Av.

The applicant was present along with Craig Rzepka.

Mr. Rzepka said that he has over 40 years of experience in the industry, that he and his brother are splitting and that he has developed a casual version of the current business.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Brower said that he held neighborhood meeting with no objections.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Brower moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 1 - Pratt

02 COWART, Darren, Agent for "HOOK-US SSE, LLC", Public Entertainment Premises License Application Requesting Disc Jockey, Jukebox, Bands, Karaoke, 3 Amusement Machines, Poetry Readings, 6 Concerts/Yr, Comedy Acts, Hookah Services and Patrons Dancing for "HOOKUS SSE" at 9006 W SILVER SPRING DR.

The applicant was present along with Casey.

The police report was read.

The applicant said that he was not aware that he needed a tobacco license for hookah, that he just found out that he needed entertainment license and that he does not know about what happened at 3am.

Individuals also present:

Atty. Gresham said that this committee does not authorize nicotine or tobacco indoor smoking.

Ms. Lopez said that the cigarette and tobacco license is to sell the products only.

Ald. Chambers said that he would like to hold this item to have a further conversation with the applicant and also made it clear that, the establishment cannot operate without the proper licenses.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Pratt moved to hold the item to the call of the chair. There were no objections.

(Prevailed 5-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

14 IBARRA FLORES, Jose LUIS, Agent for "CAMALEON BAR SERVICES LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Application Requesting Jukebox for "CAMALEON BAR" at 2900 S 13TH St.

The applicant was present along with Juan Salceda as interpreter.

The applicant said that his plan is to have a family and friendly bar with soft music on the background. He added that he has 25 years of bartending experience.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Dimitrijevic said that she would like to hold the item to the call of the chair for further conversation and apologized to the applicant for not talking to him prior today.

Ald. Jackson moved to hold the item to the call of the chair. There were no objections.

(Prevailed 5-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

14 MALDONADO, Julio C, Agent for "REVIVAL BAY VIEW LLC BROWN & GIBBS SPORTS BAR", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application for "BROWN & GIBBS SPORTS BAR" at 182 E LINCOLN Av. (Expired 2/26/2026)

The applicant was not present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Dimitrijevic said that this application has taken resources and this committee's time with no response from the applicant. She said that nonrenewal is appropriate.

Ald. Brower moved nonrenewal based upon second nonappearance. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

06 BENIPAL, Simranjeet S, Agent for "FAST FUEL CONVENIENCE, LLC", Extended Hours Establishments, Filling Station, Food Dealer and Weights & Measures Licenses Renewal Application for "CITGO ON TEUTONIA" at 3551 N TEUTONIA Av. (Expires 7/1/2026)

The applicant was present.

The police report was read.

The applicant said that the first item on the police report was about a teenager who stole an ice cream bucket and pulled out a gun to fire a shot on his way out after they tried to lock the door. He added that the second item was about a panhandler that they have not seen him back and, that they followed up the protocol and updated the signage on the premises after the third item happened.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Coggs said that she talked to the applicant and that she is satisfied with the measures moving forward. She recommended a warning letter.

Ald. Burgelis moved approval with a warning letter. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

06 WILLIAMS, Shane K, Agent for "ALDI, INC (WISCONSIN)", Food Dealer License Renewal Application for "ALDI #19" at 225 E CAPITOL DR. (Expires 6/23/2026)

The applicant was not present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Coggs said that she would like to hold this item given the fact that this is a food establishment that many residents rely on. She added that she will make efforts to get a hold of the applicant.

Ald. Pratt moved to hold the item to the call of the chair upon second nonappearance. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

09 CARABALLO, Robert, Agent for "SUNDANCE INC", Extended Hours Establishments and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Hours From 8AM-1AM Everyday To 9AM-2AM Sun-Wed and 9AM-4AM Thu-Sat for "TACO BELL #30420" at 8030 W BROWN DEER Rd. (Expired 5/9/2026)

The applicant was not present.

Ald. Burgelis moved to hold the item to the call of the chair upon first nonappearance.

There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

09 SMITH, Kenneth D, Agent for "K & P TOWING LLC", Recycling, Salvaging, or Towing Premises and Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer Licenses Renewal Application for "K & P TOWING LLC" at 7928 W CLINTON Av. (Expired 4/8/2026)

The applicant was present.

The police report was read.

The applicant said that the item on the police report was about a woman who followed him up all the way to his business' gate and never saw her again.

Individuals also present:

Nicole Anderson (Tow Lot Manager) said that the applicant has a balance in collection of \$1,213.72

The applicant said that he did not know.

Ald. Burgelis asked the applicant if he receives mail/letters on a regular basis from the City of Milwaukee.

The applicant said that he only receives a pink slip with due balances but it is not an invoice.

Ald. Burgelis asked Ms. Anderson if she has a proof that an invoice was mailed/emailed to the applicant.

Ms. Anderson said that she will need to look for that.

Ald. Taylor said that this applicant handles a respectful business with no complaints and that she supports that it stays in business. She also asked the applicant to be in good standing with the City.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Burgelis moved renewal. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

05 POONIWALA, Percy D, Agent for "MILWAUKEE 45 HOSPITALITY LLC", Food Dealer License Application for "NORWOOD INN & SUITES" at 5442 N LOVERS LANE Rd.

The applicant was present and said that they have done their best cleaning up the premises after receiving the citation and that they failed to apply for the food license before. He added that they clean up around the premises twice day, fixed the fence, painted, etc., and that he comes to Milwaukee more often.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Westmoreland said that the problem is that this building and premises in general have been neglected over the years; that there are falling fences, broken windows, retaining walls collapsing, parked vehicles with flat tires, waste tires on the back, etc. He added that he received complaints and that it seems that is not a hotel but an apartment building, that there are prostitution activities reported and food served without a license. He requested to hold the item for the Health Department re-inspection.

Ald. Pratt moved to hold the item to the call of the chair. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

05 ALEXANDER, Yaurea Y, Agent for "ALEXANDER BULLOCK INVESTMENTS LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer Licenses Application Requesting 5 Amusement Machines, 1 Pool Table and Hookah Services for "SUITE 76" at 7602 W LISBON Av.

The applicant was present and explained that soul food is the foundation of her business and that it is a family based business.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Westmoreland said that he tried to reach out to the applicant with no response. He asked that the item be held to hold a conversation.

Ald. Jackson moved to hold the item to the call of the chair. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

15 BROXTON, Eric, Agent for "SELECT TIRE SALES, Inc.", Recycling, Salvaging, or Towing Premises License Application Requesting Dealing, Storing and/or Transporting Waste Tires for "SELECT TIRE SALES" at 4000 W LISBON Av.

The applicant was not present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Stamper said that he talked to the applicant this morning about holding the item in order to have a neighborhood meeting.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Brower moved to hold the item to the call of the chair. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

04 SHAVER, Wesley G, Agent for "FW FESTIVAL MKE, LLC", Class B Tavern License Application for "FRESHWATER FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL" at 200 N HARBOR DR.

The applicant was not present.

Ald. Burgelis moved to hold the item to the call of the chair. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

Ald. Burgelis moved to reconsider the application at 10:13 am. There were no objections.

The applicant was present and waived the receipt of today's hearing notice.

Ms. Lopez confirmed that the notice was mailed out to the mailing address on file and to the agent's home address.

The applicant said that he has over 20 years of experience in the industry, that he is a huge advocate of festivals and that he is very excited to get started with this plan to celebrate the culinary experience of Milwaukee featuring 7 different wine regions.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Bauman said that he has no objections.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Burgelis moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

04 ANTON, Kristopher J, Agent for "FIRST MKO, LLC", Class B Tavern, Food Dealer and Hotel/Motel Licenses Application for "CAMBRIA HOTEL MILWAUKEE DOWNTOWN" at 503 N PLANKINTON Av.

The applicant was not present.

Ald. Pratt moved to hold the item to the call of the chair upon first nonappearance.

There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

04 REESE, Adrienne D, Agent for "LUXE POUR STUDIO, LLC", Class C Wine and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Application Requesting Instrumental Musicians and Candle Bar for "LUXE POUR STUDIO" at 765 N JACKSON St.

The applicant was present and said that this would be her second location but focused on scented candle making while having a glass of wine.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Bauman said that he has no objections.

Ald. Pratt moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

04 LOCK, Tellyrae L, Agent for "SCOREBOARD SPORTS BAR LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Application Requesting Karaoke, 5 Amusement Machines, Poetry Readings, Patrons Dancing, 1 Pool Table, 1 Dart Board, Jukebox and Hookah Services for "SCOREBOARD SPORTS BAR" at 2127 W WELLS St.

The applicant was present and represented by Atty. Maistelman.

The applicant said that he grew up in the area with 15 years of experience in the industry and that he is a big sports fan.

Atty. Maistelman asked if there is an error with the e-book comment because this premise was licensed for alcohol before.

Ald. Bauman stipulated that there was a bar 3-4 years ago.

Ms. Lopez confirmed that the 2127 W Wells St address has never been licensed before.

Atty. Gresham said that it is sufficient with the floor plan and premises description matching with the previous business.

Ald. Zamarripa recognized that there was a bar there before and asked to move on.

Individuals in opposition:

Savannah Brooks – 801 N 27th St – Near West Side Partners - said that community organizations, businesses, neighbors and public partners have been working diligently to reduce many of the challenging behaviors that have negatively affected the neighborhood. She added that they have invested a lot of time, money and resources to improve the safety and well-being of the residents and that this application will undermine the progress made around. She recognized that the applicant reached out to talk about his plans.

Kelsey Otero – Senior Director of Community Engagement/Marquette University – said that they have not talked to the applicant yet, that they would like to have conversations with him to make sure that it is a safe establishment and to better understand the nature of the engagement within the community. She added that MU wants to make sure that there are food options available.

Atty. Maistelman asked Ms. Otero if she received the email sent on March 28, 2026 regarding this business.

Ms. Otero said that she did not see it and that there was not follow up from the applicant.

Edith Hudson – Police Chief/Marquette University – said that in addition to Ms. Otero testimony, that MU has its own law enforcement agency with a designated patrolling area that includes 14 liquor and entertainment licenses which is sufficient for the students. She added that the zone is saturated and this location would be a little off the patrolling zone.

Individual in support:

Luis Flores – 3613 W 16th Pl, Chicago, IL – said that he is the building owner, a former MU student and that he has the best interest in the neighborhood. He added that he knew that he was going to have challenges, that he does not want a nightclub and that he thinks that he found the best match for this location.

Ald. Zamarripa said that the application requests patrons dancing which it is a nightclub component.

Mr. Flores said that not necessarily.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Bauman said that he is in objection, that it is a high crime area and that the original experience was not for a sports bar. He added that there was a shooting a week ago where buildings were damaged but no one hurt and that Marquette University has the right to oppose in order to protect its neighborhood. He said that this is another bar with two major stakeholders in opposition.

Atty. Maistelman asked that the application be held to have a conversation with stakeholders.

Ald. Bauman said that he has no objections.

Ald. Zamarripa moved to hold the item to the call of the chair. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

04 ASHLEY, Thomas B, Agent for "LOCAL PUB LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises, Food Dealer and Sidewalk Dining Licenses Transfer Application with Change of Agent, Change of Trade Name and Adding Stockholders for "THE SPREAD" at 1137 N MARTIN L KING JR DR.

The applicant was present along with Mr. Olson and represented by Atty. Randall. The police report was read.

Atty. Randall said that the pending invoices are part of the business transaction.

Individuals in support:

Edward DeShazer - 1110 N Martin L King Jr Dr – current business owner said that he put a huge amount of money and resources and that it was important for him to find a good fit to take over. He added that it is his responsibility to pay off the pending holds.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Bauman said that he has no objections.

Ald. Brower moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

13 ASSAD, Hakam K, Agent for "CREAM CITY AUTO LLC", Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer's License Renewal Application for "CREAM CITY AUTO" at 5848 S 27TH St. (Expired 1/18/2026)

The applicant was not present.

Ald. Zamarripa moved to hold the item to the call of the chair upon first nonappearance. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

13 STEREN, Jeffrey M, Agent for "SOUTH 27TH RESTAURANT LLC", Food Dealer License Renewal Application for "MCDONALD'S" at 5890 S 27TH St. (Expires 7/8/2026)

The applicant was present.

The police report was read.

The applicant said that he reviewed the police report and noted that there were 5 false alarms and that he would have liked that the restaurant be fined because he could have disciplined much more effectively. He added that it is very concerning to him the one item where they did not cooperate with MPD. He explained that it was about a shooting in the parking lot on a Saturday night between a car and a person walking a dog who ran into the restaurant. He said that they did not get any further details and that the person running the shift, did not know how to download the surveillance video into a flash drive. He continued saying that it was done later following instructions over the phone.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Spiker said that there is an uptake in the number of incidences with panhandlers or people having mental health crisis and asked if there is a plan to have a security guard.

The applicant said that he has a meeting scheduled at 10am tomorrow with the liaison

officer and the BID. He added that being so close to a school brings students full of energy as well. He also said that he will address the security component after he identifies a time when is needed like he has done it at other stores.

Ald. Spiker asked the applicant to make sure that the staff know how to get the surveillance footage.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Spiker asked the applicant to provide him an update of tomorrow's meeting and that he has no objections.

Ald. Brower moved approval with a warning letter. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

13 DHAROD, Mukesh S, Agent for "THE ROAD, INC", Extended Hours Establishments and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application for "DENNY'S #8092" at 3801 S 27TH St. (Expired 6/2/2026)

The applicant was present along with Melisa Nelson Bohan (District Manager) and Antonia Uriostegui (Director).

The police report was read.

The applicant said for the record that half of the incidents did not happen during late hours.

Melisa Nelson Bohan said that four items are about people wanting to leave without making a payment, that the rest are requests for camera footage that has been provided to MPD. She added that she has spoken to the manager about giving her contact information when it is asked for because she is available 24/7.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Spiker said that there are three incidents that happened during the late hours: item 39 (battery case at 4:30am), item 41 (shots fired at 3:30am) and item 45 (knife situation at 4:50am). He added that last one is the most concerning because the security guard said to MPD that he did not witness the incident; however, the surveillance footage showed him on the scene, and he even picked up the knife in the parking lot and was not being cooperative and trying to cover things up. He asked what steps have been taken after these incidents to make sure that security is cooperative with MPD.

Ms. Nelson Bohan said that for item 41, the group entered the building being very loud, that they were asked to leave immediately and they started to get physical when they were outside. She added that shots were fired as they were leaving the parking lot.

Ald. Spiker said that the police report says that as more people came in to join the group, a fight between the group started, which meant the fight started inside the restaurant and not in the parking lot.

Ms. Nelson Bohan said that the fight started between the two sets of doors, that she also watched the video before turning it in to MPD and that she also spoke to the security guard company about how the situation could have been handled better.

Ms. Nelson Bohan said that item 45 was about 4 woman who ordered to go, that two left and the other two left when they got their bags, they went to their car and that's when the altercation started between two of the women. She added that it is her understanding that a knife was pulled and they all left together. She explained that they did not know what was going on until after the fact when a customer came in to report the incident and that is when the security guard went outside. She also said that she talked to the security company about the incident, that they handled the case from there and that specific guard has not been back since.

Ald. Spiker said that these incidents cause great concern, especially the security's reaction to them.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Spiker said that he was disturbed by the incidents and the security's poor judgement, that he wants this business to meet with MPD and the BID to go over policies and practices, and that he needs contact information of the district manager and director.

Ald. Jackson moved approval of the Food Dealer license and renewal with a 30 (thirty) day suspension of the Extended Hours Establishment license based upon the preponderance of the evidence in the police report and aldermanic testimony that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to the health, safety, or welfare of the public and for the failure to comply with the approved plan of operations. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

13 ABASOVSKI, Besnik S, Agent for "ILLYRIA LLC", Massage Establishment License Application for "ILLYRIA" at 2607 W MORGAN Av.

The applicant was present and said that he has been involved with health and fitness all his life and looking to offer a variety of holistic environment for sports therapy and massages, infrared light sauna and other services. He added that this service is needed in the community.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Spiker asked how many employees will be there and for the hours operation.

The applicant said that there will be two employees plus him and that he would like to amend the hours of operation 10am-7pm everyday.

Ald. Jackson moved to amend the hours of operation 10am to 7pm – 7 days/wk. There were no objections.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Burgelis moved approval as amended. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

12 PARK, Hae Jin, Agent for "SOONJA'S SEOUL POCHA LLC", Class B Tavern and Food Dealer Licenses Application for "SOONJA'S SEOUL POCHA" at 839 W NATIONAL Av.

The applicant was present.

The police report was read.

The applicant said that the item on the police report happened 7 years and that it was the biggest mistake she ever made. She also said that she has 15 years of experience in the industry and that this location is perfect for her business plan.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Perez said that he talked to the applicant and that she agreed to amend the hours for Fri and Sat.

Ald. Zamarripa asked the applicant if she wants to amend the hours of operation.

The applicant said that she wants to close at 10pm Mon-Thu and at 11:30pm Fri-Sat.

Ald. Jackson moved to amend the hours of operation to close at 10pm Mon-Thu and at 11:30pm Fri-Sat. There were no objections.

Ald. Perez said that he has no objections as amended.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Burgelis moved approval as amended. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

12 URBAN, John A, Agent for "LE CABARET, INC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application for "TEXAS J'S" at 813 S 1ST St. (Expires 7/22/2026)

The applicant was present along with his son and represented by Atty. Halbrooks.

The police report was read.

Atty. Halbrooks explained that the second item is about a parking lot that is not part of the premises and that a vehicle was reported stolen from there when it was actually towed as the posted signs noticed.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Perez said that there are no objections.

Ald. Burgelis moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

12 MILES, Meghan M, Agent for "STATION 1846 LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises, Food Dealer and Sidewalk Dining Licenses Renewal Application for "STATION 1846" at 215 W BRUCE St. (Expires 7/4/2026)

The applicant was present.

The police report was read.

The applicant said that they did right thing as the report says.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Perez said that this application was scheduled due the objection on file.

The applicant said that it has been resolved.

Ald. Perez said that he has no objections.

Ald. Pratt moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

12 LECHUGA, Marcela, Agent for "CLUB 69 BY MARCELA LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Application Requesting 4 Amusement Machines and Karaoke for "MACRINA'S SPORT BAR" at 1663 S 11TH St.

The applicant was present and represented by Atty. Maistelman.

Atty. Maistelman said that there was a bar with significant problems and that a revocation was brought before committee. He added that her client has been working there as a bartender since the 90 day suspension was granted by this committee, and that there have been no issues since December 2025.

The applicant said that she is a business owner and has owned another bar for two

years now.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Perez said that the point is that there was an operator who had big issues, that this applicant is the building owner and became involved after the revocation hearing and 90-day suspension was granted.

Individuals in opposition:

Alex Kostner – 1579 S 38th St – said that he represents the Schusters Lofts across the street and that this location has been a proven record for a decrease in safety and increase of problems for the neighborhood including the automatic fire weapon fired last summer, which led to the revocation hearing. He added that he knows that the applicant has been the building owner for 5 years, but there have been different tavern licensees. He also said that they provided the videos of the shots fired there and that MPD had to do a welfare check with all the neighbors in the building due the bullets going through windows. He mentioned that he has a signed petition of 30 residents within 65 feet that do not want cat calling, noise, shootings, etc.

Nancy Bush – BID 4 Director – said that both entities are in the district and that the board is not taking opposition at this time. She also said that they have been working with the applicant and her husband with no issues.

Ruben Velez – 1670 S 11th Unit 114 – said that there has been a lot of safety concerns and that he personally witnessed a lot on the bar across the street. He added that residents would not benefit from any liquor license at this location.

Ald. Perez said that he has talked to the applicant about his disappointment with the previous tenants and how she managed the building in the past. He added that she said that she will not take the risk letting anyone else to do it and also talked about reducing hours (closing at 12am) and the efforts coming up to beautify the alley and the City's lot behind.

Atty. Maistelman said that they agree to amend the hours 6pm-12am everyday.

Ald. Jackson moved to amend the hours of operation 6pm-12am everyday. There were no objections.

Ald. Perez said that this is the applicant's last chance to get it right.

Ald. Jackson moved approval as amended. (Prevailed 4-1)

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

Abstain 1 - Burgelis

12 MARTINEZ, JR, Felipe, Agent for "LIVE ON 1ST, LLC", Waiver Request of the Time Limit to Receive the Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses for "LIVE LOUNGE" at 725 S 1ST St.

The applicant was present and represented by Atty. Halbrooks.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Perez said that he wants to read for the record a chronological order of what he understands where we are at today. He added that it is important to put on the record the reason why the establishment is not open after one year of the license being granted and what is the plan moving forward.

The email was added to the file with the licenses granted on 9-24-2024 and waiver filed on 10-09-2025 based on plumbing issues that were verified by DNS.

Atty. Halbrooks and the applicant explained that there were two situations with interior and exterior plumbing contracts and that they are about to complete the works in order to get the occupancy permit.

Ald. Perez said that he just wants to be clear that he wants to make sure that the City

is not on the way of getting things done.

Ald. Zamarripa said that this was not the case and that permits were not holding this applicant up.

Atty. Gresham mentioned that there is a limit of one waiver request for these instances and that the applicant must apply for a new license after this waver expires.

Ald. Jackson moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

The file was held at 12:45 pm to take items 2 and 3.

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

The file was reconsidered at 12:58 pm.

RECONSIDERED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

01 SINGH, Jasmeet, Agent for "JAIVIN CAPITAL INC", Extended Hours Establishments, Filling Station, Food Dealer and Weights & Measures Licenses Application Requesting To Open 24Hr Everyday for "VILLARD MART" at 3709 W Villard Av.

The applicant was not present.

Ald. Zamarripa moved to hold the item to the call of the chair per Atty. Maistelman's request. There were no objections. (Prevailed 3-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 3 - Zamarripa, Pratt, and Brower

No 0

Excused 2 - Burgelis, and Jackson

08 VANG, Soua, Agent for "ELEPHANT TKB LLC", Class B Tavern License Application for "ELEPHANT TKB" at 3730 W NATIONAL Av.

The applicant was present and said that the plan is to have a restaurant bar and that the bar will close at the same time as the restaurant.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Burgelis asked the applicant how she is going to handle customers with National Av under construction.

The applicant said that she has a parking lot for customers.

Ald. Zamarripa said that the applicant holds the food dealer license and that VIA is in support of the application.

Ald. Zamarripa moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

08 FLORES, Elma, Agent for "J&E GROCERY STORE 2 CORP", Food Dealer License Renewal Application for "LA HACIENDA" at 2410 W FOREST HOME Av. (Expires 6/9/2026)

Atty. Wroblewski appeared on behalf of the applicant and requested an interpreter.
Ald. Zamarripa moved to hold the item to the call of the chair. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

Ald. Zamarripa moved to reconsider the application at 1:38 pm. There were no objections.

Atty. Wroblewski appeared on behalf of the applicant and with Mr. Flores (stockholder) and Silvia Facio as interpreter.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Zamarripa explained that this application was scheduled due an objection on file.

Atty. Wroblewski said that the objection is about a delivery truck being parked on the sidewalk and that there is no access to the parking lot. He added that this location was a Walgreens before that did not receive large delivery trucks and that it is difficult to back up. He also said that his client will contact suppliers to request smaller delivery trucks. He added that the back of the parking lot is used for employee parking (40 employees) and that they will look for another employee parking lot in order to have the parking/loading zone free of vehicles.

Atty. Wroblewski added that his client has applied for a 90 feet loading zone as part of the immediate efforts to resolve the situation.

Ald. Zamarripa thanked the applicant for taking these measures but that she called him back in April as a courtesy call and that just yesterday, she received a neighbor call complaining about a semi-truck taking almost the entire street. She also said that she will support the loading zone application and asked the applicant to make sure employees do not park in the back.

Ald. Zamarripa moved approval with a warning letter. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

11 LEWIS, Shermain B, Tattoo and Body Piercing Establishment License Renewal Application for "TRUSTZ TATTOO AND BODY PIERCING" at 3953 S 76TH St. (Expires 6/30/2026)

The applicant was present along with Christina.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Burgelis said that this application was scheduled due neighborhood objections but there have been some good developments in the last months.

Individuals in opposition:

Jennifer Knutson – 3974 S 76th St - said that she lives across the street, that she is surprised that there are no police reports because the applicant held 3-5 car show alike events last summer/fall with noise, loud stereos going, reckless driving, people spilling into the neighborhood, garbage and affecting other businesses. She said that she observed wrong way driving, high speeding, that they were serving food probably unlicensed and that the events were held without permits. She added that this business allowed bikers to park on the sidewalk and they were taunting neighbors who were trying to document the events. She also said that she and another neighbor held

a conversation with the business and MPD right at second event.

Ald. Burgelis said that there has not been any issues after last year's fall and that he has no objections.

Ald. Burgelis moved renewal with a warning letter. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

Agenda Only

03 GRIFFIN, Tyseria N, Agent for "GIRL POWER LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Renewal Application Adding Disc Jockey for "THE SEAFOOD SHACK RESTAURANT" at 2336 N FARWELL Av.

03 LETENDRE, Mia L, Agent for "STRANGE TOWN, LLC", Class B Tavern License Renewal Application with Change of Floor Plan by Removing Sidewalk Dining for "STRANGE TOWN" at 2101-2103 N PROSPECT Av.

04 MARCUS, David J, Agent for "BENSON'S CATERING MKE LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Trade Name for "BENSON'S CATERING" at 758 N BROADWAY.

04 SCHAULAND, Bryan M, Agent for "EAST TOWN ASSOCIATION, INC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Agent for "EAST TOWN ASSOCIATION" at 520 E WELLS St.

04 ZILLI, Robert J, Agent for "GRANDVIEW MANAGEMENT, INC.", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Agent and Transfer of Stock for "ZILLI HOSPITALITY GROUP" at 325-333 N PLANKINTON Av.

08 MINTO, Tina M, Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Hours From Opening 5PM Mon-Sat and Closing 2AM Sat; To Open 12PM Every Day and Closing 2:30AM Saturday for "HANGOVERZ" at 2539 W MITCHELL St.

13 GARAPATI, Indira, Agent for "PARKWAY COMMUNITIES, LLC", Mobile Home Park License Renewal Application with Removing/Adding Stockholder for "PARKWAY COMMUNITIES" at 6160 S 6TH St.

Ald. Zamarripa moved approval of the "Agenda Only" items. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

Warning Letter

01 SINGH, Sarbjit, Agent for "JP FOOD & LIQUOR, INC", Class A Malt & Class A Liquor and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application for "EXPRESS LIQUOR & TOBACCO" at 6859 N TEUTONIA Av.

13 GUAMAN-GANZHI, Rene A, Agent for "BENY-BOYS GRILL LLC", Food Peddler License Renewal Application for "BENY-BOYS" at 4350 S 27TH St.

13 LESCH, Kim J, Agent for "COUSINS SUBMARINES, INC.", Food Dealer License Renewal Application for "COUSINS" at 3104 S 27th St.

13 LORCH, Aaron, Agent for "ARTHA MKE HOSPITALITY LLC", Class B Tavern, Food Dealer and Hotel/Motel Licenses Renewal Application for "HYATT PLACE MKE" at 200 W GRANGE Av.

13 PATEL, Sanjay R, Agent for "S&JP HOSPITALITY GROUP, INC.", Food Dealer License Renewal Application for "ECONO LODGE" at 6541 S 13TH St.

13 REHAN, Rakesh, Agent for "VASU HOSPITALITY LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises, Food Dealer and Hotel/Motel Licenses Renewal Application for "CROWNE PLAZA MILWAUKEE AIRPORT" at 6401 S 13TH St.

13 WILLS, Clint C, Agent for "MIL PRO, LLC", Class B Tavern, Food Dealer and Hotel/Motel Licenses Renewal Application for "HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS MILWAUKEE AIRPORT" at 1400 W ZELLMAN Ct.

Ald. Jackson moved approval of the "Warning Letter" items. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

Ald. Pratt moved approval of File 260204 as amended. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

2. [260223](#)

Communication from the License Division relating to the permit process for parklets, sidewalk area dining facilities, and the Active Streets for Business Program.

Sponsors: Ald. Perez and Ald. Zamarripa

Appeared:

Ald. Perez, David Gelting (LRB) and Jim Cooney (License Division Manager). James Washington (DPW) was present virtually.

RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

3. [260229](#)

Motion relating to the revocation of the Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises licenses of Maritza Ivette Pica Fuentes, agent

for "Ivette Sanitation LLC", for the premises located at 2000 S 13th St, Milwaukee, WI 53204 doing business as "Punta Cana" in the 12th Aldermanic District.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Ms. Lopez said that the license was surrendered yesterday and that it is up to the committee's discretion to accept it or move forward with the revocation.

Ald. Perez asked the committee to hear the neighbor's testimony.

Nalani Gaona - 1980 S 13th St. - said that she wants to raise awareness and concern about this bar/location with so many things happening in a residential area like shootings, casings found, another fight right on her window after the man was murdered tight on her face and that the murdered man came out form there. She said that this is not needed in a residential area, that her son was shot at with 8 casings right outside of her door and that the music is ridiculously loud.

Ald. Jackson moved to accept the surrendered licenses. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

The file was reconsidered at 1:37pm just to announce that the surrendered licenses were accepted by this committee.

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, Brower, and Jackson

No 0

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm

*Yadira Melendez
Staff Assistant*

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