

#### **City of Milwaukee**

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#### **Meeting Minutes**

#### LICENSES COMMITTEE

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

10 SINGH, Sukhwinder, Agent for "RKS LIQUOR 2 INC.", Class A Malt & Class A Liquor and Weights & Measures License Applications for "STEVE'S LIQUOR" at 6213 W APPLETON Av.

The applicant was present along with Atty. Josh Gimbel.

Individuals also present:

Ms. Byrne from the 10th aldermanic district's office said that Ald. Murphy has no objections.

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

**No** 0

08 HERRERA DE CASTRO, Patricia, Agent for "Patricia Herrera de Castro, LLC", Permanent Extension of Premises Application for Alcohol and Food (Back Patio and Gazebo) for "La Fondita" at 2523 W GREENFIELD Av.

The applicant was not present.

Individuals also present:

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

Ald. Brostoff moved to reconsider the application at 10:40 am. There were no objections.

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Ms. Doherty from the 8th aldermanic district's office said that Ald. Zamarripa supports

this application.

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

04 MARCUS, David J, Agent for "EDISON MKE LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises, Food Dealer and Sidewalk Dining License Applications Requesting Instrumental Musicians for "The Edison" at 322 N BROADWAY.

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Bauman said that he has no objections.

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

04 VAILLANCOURT, Erica E, Agent for "Interstate Parking Company LLC", Parking Lot License Renewal Application for "Interstate Parking Company # 1148" at 701 W ST PAUL Av. (Expired 9/23/2022)

The applicant was present and said that they have had multiple incidences and that their priority is to mitigate the issues and that they are working with the intermodal station and MPD.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Chambers asked the applicant if they have security on site.

The applicant said that the intermodal station has security and 24 surveillance cameras.

Ald. Chambers asked how many cameras are in the parking lot.

The applicant said that the lot has 8 surveillance cameras and that they are owned by the landlord.

Ald. Borkowski said that the applicant mentioned that these issues are the same that are happening in downtown and asked the applicant if they have contacted any of the BIDs for help.

The applicant said that they are part of the BID and that they are working with them but that security is not Interstate's responsibility but that they take it seriously and that they are working collaboratively. She added that they are thinking to put up a fence and to add more cameras.

Ald. Brostoff said that the police report said 6 incidences happened last year and another 6 so far this year and asked the applicant if she has an idea of what is going on.

The applicant said that the more traffic, the more incidences.

Ald. Brostoff said that is best to be proactive and not to wait for incidences to happen. Ald. Pratt asked if the plan includes security guards.

The applicant said that they have boots on the ground and that they work with three different companies in addition to the security guards from the Intermodal station.

Ald. Pratt asked how these incidences keep on happening if they have 24 hours security guards.

The applicant said that security checks this locations 8 times in a 24 hour period. Ald. Bauman said that the plan of operation is not consistent with what the applicant has explained here and that this plan was updated and signed by the applicant. He added that the lot is owned by the State of Wisconsin and that it was leased to a company in California and subleased to another company here in Wisconsin. He also said that this location has been a problem for the last 10 years and that this facility was the trigger to change the law and that we are here with the same problems again. He asked the committee not to renew this license because the only way to fix this issue is to have a physical person on site and that this company refuses to do so. Ald. Coggs asked what the impact of the nonrenewal at this location is.

Ald. Bauman said that there won't be issues with a lack of parking and that as matter of fact, there is another parking lot that works more effectively.

Mr. Cooney said that it would be illegal to operate as parking lot.

Ald. Chambers asked the applicant what is the problem of having 24hr on site security at the parking lot.

The applicant said that it is an expense that they cannot do and that it would be responsibility of the property owner.

Ald. Brostoff said that Ald. Bauman's testimony is well taken and moved nonrenewal based upon the preponderance in the police report and the lack of cooperation of the applicant.

Anthony Janowiec (stockholder) said that this location parks around 100 cars/day and that if this lot is not accessible will affect the users of the Intermodal station and that the 24hr on site security is too expensive compared to the low \$8 fee that they charge. Ald. Coggs asked if there is a chance to negotiate with the owner and when the lease is going to expire.

Mr. Janowiec said that the lease ends in 2027 and that it is only a little fraction of users that have experienced the issues and that it would be even worse if the parking lot is not operating.

Ald. Chambers said that is not his problem if the parking lot is not operating until the leases ends and that it seems that they do not care about the real issue. He added that he supports Ald. Brostoff's motion.

Ald. Coggs asked if they do CPTED reviews.

Ms. Vaillancourt said that they do and that the only issue or suggestion was to place a fence on the perimeter but that it is also the owner's responsibility.

Mr. Janowiec asked to hold the application in order to discuss the problem and to get the level of the service required.

Ald. Brostoff moved nonrenewal based upon the preponderance in the police report that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to health, safety or welfare of the public and the aldermanic testimony. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

04 THOMPSON, Paul S, Agent for "BRIDGEMAN FOODS II INC", Food Dealer License Renewal Application for "WENDY'S #13" at 914 N 27TH St. (Expires 6/30/2023)

The applicant was present along with Atty. James Guyette. Individuals also present:

Ald. Chambers asked Sgt. Velasquez for a clarification of item 5.

Ald. Bauman said that he was present and that this was a situation that started at the Family Dollar store down the street and; that the incident had nothing to do with

Wendy's operations, staff and customers. He also said that the deceased person died in front of Wendy's door.

Ald. Coggs asked Sqt. Velasquez is what Ald. Bauman said is accurate.

Sgt. Velasquez said that she would need to look at the report.

The applicant said that the all the issues start with a problem with the food and that they have trained the staff to deescalate and walk away from those situations.

Ald. Borkowski said that, at the last meeting, the applicant said that some stores are non-profitable and that they still operating because they are engaged with the community. He asked if he can say which ones are not profitable.

The applicant said that the store on 27th and Kilbourn is not making money individually but as a group they do. He added that they are trying to make it profitable and that they have not jeopardized the quality of the product and keeping the wages up. Sgt. Velasquez explained that the incident 5. is not related to the Family Dollar store as Ald. Bauman explained. She added that had nothing to do with Wendy's as well. Ald. Bauman said that the last item is what troubles him because there was no video inside the store and the staff being upset with the police. He added that it would have helped the investigation if the video would have been available.

Ald. Bauman said that the loitering is an issue also and that he thinks that it is the reason why they do not make any money and that he would recommend a 10 day suspension.

Atty. Guyette said that the police report says that the restaurant called the police for the loitering issues.

Ald. Bauman said that even if the restaurant initiates the call, the problem is not well taken care of.

Ald. Chambers asked Sgt. Velasquez if the firearm involved in the incident that Ald. Bauman's mentioned was ever found.

Agt. Velasquez said that the employee was in probation and that he should have cooperated with the police but that they did not find/see a firearm.

The applicant said that they have a monthly meeting and that the store has not have loitering problems on the last 30 days.

Atty. Guyette said that this store has 20 employees who are also fed, that they have corrected some issues, that they are working on the loitering issue and asked that the license be renewed.

Ald. Borkowski moved renewal with a warning letter and that the applicant work with the Near West Side Association to solve the loitering issues. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Ave 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

04 MUNOZ HERNANDEZ, Leticia C, Agent for "Leva Food Enterprises LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises License Applications Requesting 5 Amusement Machines for "Michael's Family Restaurant" at 2220 W WISCONSIN Av.

The applicant was present along with Atty. Michael Maistelman. Individuals also present:

Ald. Bauman said that this location has been 35 years in the business and that it is a diner with good food at a reasonable price. He added that eventually the area got bad with prostitution, panhandling, substance abuse, etc. He also said that the previous owner was advised not to apply for an alcohol license because it would jeopardize his business and that he did not pursued the alcohol license.

Ald. Coggs asked the applicant what she is trying to do.

The applicant said that she is trying to increase the sales because they hit low after Covid and that the tips are low as well. She added that she owns another restaurant with alcohol license (4 years) and that she will not change anything on the plan of operations. She said that she wants to serve and be part of the community.

Ald. Chambers asked if she plans to serve the community serving alcohol.

The applicant said that it is not customary that people get drunk at her restaurant, that people goes for brunch and to have a couple of mimosas for example.

Ald. Bauman said that there is discrepancy with what the applicant just said and the application in front of us and; asked to hold the application for further clarification.

Atty. Maistelman said that the applicant is a minority and successful business owner seeking for another chance to do business in the area.

Mr. Cooney said that the alcohol application should be a mirror of the current food license and that they would need to revise the hours.

Ald. Chambers asked why is she applying for amusement machines if it is a brunch style service.

The applicant said that it is another source of income.

Atty. Maistelman said that they are willing to hold the application.

Ald. Borkowski moved to hold the application for the call of the chair. (Prevailed 4-1)

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

Aye 4 - Coggs, Borkowski, Brostoff, and Pratt

No 1 - Chambers Jr.

03 TRUDEAU, Christopher, Agent for "DUKES 1 LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises License Applications Requesting Disc Jockey, Jukebox, 7 Amusement Machines, Patrons Dancing and 1 Pool Table for "DUKES ON WATER" at 158 E JUNEAU Av.

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Robert Dice – said that he and the applicant operate successful bars in other parts of the county with no issues, that they operate clean establishments, with very good staff and that they are planning to keep the same plan of operations and same vibe for both bars (Duke's and Scooter's) with some changes on staff, security and procedures. Individuals also present:

Ald. Borkowski said that those bars have had many incidences with firearms and asked how they are going to change that.

Mr. Dice said that they will change the security staff and will make some investments in security equipment.

Ald. Borkowski asked if they have had issues with firearms at their suburban locations.

Mr. Dice said that they have not and that is why they are bringing people on board who has experience in downtown, Brady St., etc.

Ald. Borkowski said that he would like to see how they do but that it is imperative that all of us do our part to get those guns off the streets.

Ald. Brostoff said that he held long conversations regarding the violence in the community and that he is confident that this change of ownership and management will go on the right direction. He added that he is familiar with the management team.

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

03 TRUDEAU, Christopher, Agent for "SCOOTERS LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises License Applications Requesting Disc Jockey, Jukebox, 7 Amusement Machines, Patrons Dancing and 1 Pool Table for "SCOOTERS PUB" at 154 E JUNEAU Av.

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Brostoff wished them good luck and moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

03 ALOUL, Kahled S, Agent for "Mac & Cheese World LLC", Extended Hours Establishments and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications with Removing Stockholder and Transfer of Stock for "Mac Shack" at 1701 N HUMBOLDT Av. (Expired 3/28/2023)

The applicant was not present.

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

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

Ave 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

03 BROWN, Brian, Agent for "WALGREEN CO", Food Dealer License Renewal Application with Change of Agent for "WALGREENS #01685" at 1400 E BRADY St. (Expires 6/30/2023)

Atty. Sarah Butler appeared on behalf of the applicant.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Brostoff said that there is constant issue with littering, loitering and negative attention in general. He said that he wants to know what the plan is for the parking lot. Atty. Butler said that this location operates 24 hours and that there is a security guard on site, which says a lot from Walgreens on this perception. She added that Walgreens have done quite a lot not to have items on the police report. In regards of the parking lot odd shape, she said that she does not know what kind of modifications might occur.

Ald. Brostoff said that he is working on that as well and that, he has spoken with the property owners but that he wants to make a suggestion about to work with the county and Beth Lapham who operates a lot in the area. He also said that it would be good to make some partnerships instead of just calling the police.

Atty. Butler said that she would reach out to Walgreens to express Ald. Brostoff's suggestions.

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

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

Ave 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

03 OHLSSON, Aaron, Agent for "ARO Management LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Center for the Visual & Performing Arts License Renewal Applications for "The Miramar Theatre" at 2844-46 N Oakland Av. (Expires 6/30/2023)

The applicant was present along with Atty. Emil Obviagele.

Atty. Obviagele said that last time that they were here (a year ago), that a lot of promises were made and that those promises have been satisfied as the police report reflects. He also said that the July 12th item is just a police premises check and that; the third item was the correct procedure with a cooperative staff. Individuals also present:

Ald. Coggs said what is going to be done to avoid the noise issue.

The applicant said that he is holding neighborhood meetings and that he has become a better neighbor and community member.

Ald. Brostoff said that he has been in an open communication with the owner and asked him to explain the committee what has been done.

The applicant said that his biggest issue was Tuesday's nights and that he doubled the security guards, that they make sure that patrons respect the neighborhood and that no change of hours have happened.

Ald. Brostoff said that he appreciates that the applicant is working with the BID and the neighborhood association and, that he is satisfied with things moving on the right direction

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

09 WALKER, Ebony K, Agent for "UPSCALE GALLERIA, LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer License Applications Requesting Instrumental Musicians, Disc Jockey, Jukebox, Bands, Karaoke, Poetry Readings, Comedy Acts and Patrons Dancing for "UPSCALE GALLERIA" at 6800 W BROWN DEER Rd.

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Brostoff asked the applicant what happened in reference of the item of the police report.

The applicant said that she was involved in a toxic relationship and that she was the one who got caught up. She added that she has turned her life around. Individuals in support:

Homer Blow – 2303 W Capitol Dr – said that he has worked with Ms. Walker and that she has taken ownership of the mistake she made in 2018. He also said that she has changed her life and that he has witnessed it. He added that he supports her business plan and that she should be given a fair chance.

Individuals also present:

The applicant said that she is looking forward to have high culinary and bartender lessons for the community in addition to the food-bar services.

Ald. Taylor said that she has been in conversations with the applicant and that she understands the nature of the business plan and, that they talked about to amend the

types of entertainment except for Instrumental Musicians.

The applicant said that she does not agree with Ald. Taylor's desire.

Ald. Coggs explained that the application could be denied if she is not willing to compromise because it is a new application with no rights.

The applicant agreed to amend the plan of operations removing Disc Jockey, Jukebox, Bands, Karaoke, Poetry Readings, Comedy Acts and Patrons Dancing.

Ald. Chambers moved to remove Disc Jockey, Jukebox, Bands, Karaoke, Poetry Readings, Comedy Acts and Patrons Dancing from the application. There were no

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

objections.

02 KIYANI, Shoabi IQBAL, Agent for "Petro Mart Silver Spring, LLC", Extended Hours Establishments, Filling Station, Food Dealer and Weights & Measures License Renewal Applications for "Clark" at 9040 W Silver Spring DR. (Expires 7/6/2023)

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Chambers moved to hold the application to the call of chair in order to have a conversation with the applicant. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0) Ald. Chambers moved to reconsider the application at 12:46 pm. There were no objections.

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

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

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

Ave 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

02 WANG, Reyn M, Agent for "Nyia Entertainment, Inc", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises License Applications Requesting Jukebox, Dart Board, Karaoke, 3 Amusement Machines and 2 Pool Tables for "Dragons' Place" at 7200 W FOND DU LAC Av.

The applicant was present

Individuals also present:

Ald. Chambers said that he has met with the couple who are taking over an existing business and moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

02 HOLMES, Thomas J, Agent for "Ahdream Entertainment, LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications for

"Eve Dining" at 6222 W Fond Du Lac Av. (Expires 7/8/2023)

The applicant was not present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Chambers said that he talked to the applicant and moved to hold the application to the call of the chair. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

02 BRANTLEY, Robert, Agent for "Corey's Place LLC", Loading Zone License Application for "Corey's Place" at 4049 N 69TH St.

The applicant was present along with Mrs. Brantley.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Chambers said that this application is a 24 hour loading zone request that was denied due a neighborhood objection and he asked to amend the hours.

The applicant agreed on amending the hours.

Ald. Chambers moved to amend the application from 6am to 6pm. There were no objections.

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

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

Ave 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

05 WALKER, Rose-Marie, Agent for "Little Caesar Enterprises, Inc.", Food Dealer License Renewal Application for "Little Caesars #314" at 9230 W Capitol DR. (Expires 7/1/2023)

The applicant was present virtually.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Westmoreland said that he has been in communication with Tracy Jacobs for 4-5 weeks regarding the condition of the premises with respect to trash and the parking blocks but has not seen improvement. He added that the parking lot is filthy, that the parking blocks are on the sidewalk and that they have handicapped residents who cannot use the sidewalk because these parking blocks are blocking the way. He also said that he would recommend a 20 day suspension based on the lack of attention and that the plan of operations is not being followed

Melissa Daniels – Corporate Employee from Chicago, II. - said that the plan is to clean up 3 times at day starting today (before opening, midday and before sun down) and that they are hiring a new general manager.

Ald. Chambers asked how often Ms. Daniels is in Milwaukee if she resides in Chicago, II.

Ms. Daniels said that between herself and her boss they will be doing checkups and that they flew some staff overnight to work at multiple locations in order to have them running as they supposed to be.

Ald. Brostoff moved renewal with a 20 day suspension based on the aldermanic testimony and the lack of response from the organization which is evident even this morning.

Ald. Coggs said that she wants to make the applicant accountable and that what Ms. Daniels said is not part of the plan of the operations.

Tracy Jacobs – said that the Ald. Westmoreland reached out to her and that she has been in communication with him. She added that the parking blocks have been moved this morning.

Ald. Brostoff moved to amend the application to reflect the agreement to clean up 3 times at day (prior opening, midday and at 7pm) everyday around the entire property and that the parking blocks are secured to the ground. There were no objections. Ald. Brostoff moved renewal with a 10 day suspension based upon the preponderance of the aldermanic testimony and the photographs on the file that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to health, safety or welfare of the public for the excessive littering and lack of cooperation. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

05 MANHANI, Navpreet S, Agent for "BURLEIGH LIQUOR OUTLET, INC.", Class A Malt & Class A Liquor, Food Dealer and Weights & Measures License Applications for "LIQUOR OUTLET II" at 7924 W BURLEIGH St.

Mr. Cooney said that this application was withdrawn as yesterday and that no motion is needed.

05 ANDERSON, Kizzie A, Agent for "FIRE SIDE BBQ AND GRILL LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications Adding Disc Jockey for "Fireside" at 7706 W BURLEIGH St. (Expires 6/22/2023)

The applicant was present.

Individuals in objection:

Rose Terrell - 7702 W Burleigh St – read a letter that she wrote and mentioned that she reached out to the previous alderperson and Ald. Westmoreland. She also said that she approached the owner and another gentleman that is not here today to talk about the issues that she is experiencing as the sole neighbor in the next door building since the other apartments are used for office space leaving at 5 pm. She mentioned things like loud music, the bass sound shaking her windows at the point that she cannot sit at her living room to watch tv, that her grandkids cannot spend the night over for the same reasons, that they use her garbage bins and that she has explained the landlord this situation as well. She also said that the planter in front of her apartment building is used as a garbage can by the patrons, that she has asked people to move right from her own door in order to get in the building, that patrons make noise and take off fast when they leave.

Ald. Westmoreland asked the applicant what is the cleaning procedure.

Mr. James said that he cleans up every morning and that he asks to pick up the garbage early even if he needs to pay more.

Passion Terrell - 2029 N 1st St - (Mrs. Terrell's daughter) said that she is often at her mom's house and that she is the one that e-mailed Ald. Dodd. She added that they need to move people in front of the door when she is trying to drop her mother off along with her groceries. She also said that there is people at 2 am in front of her mom's apartment, talking loud and that she cannot think what is going to happen after a DJ is approved.

Ald. Westmoreland asked what the plan is for people standing outside smoking weed.

Mr. James said that they send the security guard.

Ald. Westmoreland asked what is the plan for clean ups.

Mr. James said that they will clean daily when open.

Ald. Chambers moved to amend the plan of operation to clean up daily when it's open. There were no objections.

Ald. Westmoreland said that his major concern is the noise and that he wants to hold the disc jockey application and to work on temporary permits to build some trust.

Ald. Chambers moved approval with a warning letter based on the neighborhood testimony and holding the disc jockey application. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

12 GORDON, Andrew OTTO, Agent for "MITCHELL STREET ARTS COLLABORATIVE INCORPORATED", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises License Applications Requesting Instrumental Musicians, Bands, Poetry Readings, 15 Concerts and 5 Theater Performances p/Year, Comedy Acts and Dancing by Performers for "MITCHELL STREET ARTS COLLABORATIVE" at 710 W HISTORIC MITCHELL St.

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Ms. Murillo from the 12th aldermanic district's office said that Ald. Perez supports the application.

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

12 ARMENDARIZ, Carmen, Agent for "LA CHINA NIGHT CLUB LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises License Applications Requesting Disc Jockey, Jukebox, Karaoke, 5 Amusement Machines and 1 Pool Table for "LA CHINA NIGHT CLUB" at 1339 S 7TH St.

The applicant was not present.

Individuals also present:

Ms. Murillo said that the applicant contacted the office to say that she will no longer pursue this application.

Mr. Cooney said that a motion still needed.

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

12 VILLARREAL, Ernesto, Agent for "EL REY SPIRITS, INC", Class A Malt & Class

A Liquor and Weights & Measures License Renewal Application for "EL REY SPIRITS, INC" at 916 S CESAR E CHAVEZ DR. (Expires 6/30/2023)

The applicant was not present.

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

12 VARELA-CABALLERO, Jair A, Agent for "BETO'S PIZZA LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises, Food Dealer and Food Peddler License Renewal Applications Removing Jukebox and Adding 2 Amusement Machines (Total of 5) for "Beto's Pizza LLC" at 1234 S CESAR E CHAVEZ DR. (Expired 4/18/2023)

The applicant was present and said that he has worked on a security plan and that he no longer will have the taco trucks outside. He also said that he has 16 surveillance cameras and that he won't serve alcohol after 1 am because 90% of the sales are from food.

Individuals also present:

Ms. Murillo said that Ald. Perez has reviewed the security plan presented by the applicant and that he feels comfortable moving forward with the renewal.

Ald. Brostoff moved approval with a warning letter based upon the preponderance of the evidence in the police report that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to health, safety or welfare of the public. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

DEBRASKA, George A Class D Operator's License Renewal Application

The applicant was not present.

Ald. Pratt moved denial upon second nonappearance. There were no objections. (Prevailed 3-0)

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

Aye 3 - Coggs, Borkowski, and Pratt

**No** 0

Excused 2 - Chambers Jr., and Brostoff

BLACKS, Freddie C Class D Operator's License Application

The applicant was no present.

Ald. Borkowski moved to hold the application to the call of the chair upon first nonappearance. There were no objections. (Prevailed 3-0)

A motion was made by ALD. BORKOWSKI that this Motion be HELD TO CALL

#### OF THE CHAIR. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 3 - Coggs, Borkowski, and Pratt

**No** 0

Excused 2 - Chambers Jr., and Brostoff

WILIAMSON, Jimmie Class D Operator's License Application

The applicant was no present.

Ald. Pratt moved to hold the application to the call of the chair upon first nonappearance. There were no objections. (Prevailed 3-0)

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

Aye 4 - Coggs, Borkowski, Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

Excused 1 - Chambers Jr.

REYES-DIAZ, Sebastian, Agent for "REYES CONSTRUCTION & REMODELING, LLC", Home Improvement Contractor's License Renewal Application for "REYES CONSTRUCTION & REMODELING" at 4023 N 93RD St. (Expired 3/4/2023)

The applicant was not present.

Ald. Borkowski moved denial upon second nonappearance. There were no objections. (Prevailed 3-0)

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

Aye 3 - Coggs, Borkowski, and Pratt

**No** 0

Excused 2 - Chambers Jr., and Brostoff

06 THOMPSON, Paul S, Agent for "BRIDGEMAN FOODS II, INC", Extended Hours Establishments and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications for "WENDY'S RESTAURANT #2" at 633 W NORTH Av. (Expired 4/30/2023)

The applicant was present along with Atty. James Guyette.

The applicant said that the employees involved on the item from the police report are no longer with them.

Individuals in opposition:

Laura Calvert -2223 N 6th St - said that her house is directly behind the parking lot and that there is a lot of confrontation that goes beyond. She also said that there is garbage and that they can hear the customers' orders at the drive thru.

Atty. Guyette asked Ms. Calvert if she has called the police and if the business has done something.

Mrs. Calvert said that she has called the police and that the business used to take care of her complaints before.

Lilia Calvert -2223 N 6th St - said that her bedroom window faces the parking lot and that there is people eating their food there (which she understands), but it has gotten at the point that customers bring guns, they are loud and that she can hear the

customers threaten the employees clearly.

Ald. Coggs said that this location is unique because the alley breaks the parking lot and asked if there are plans to close the secondary parking lot.

Mr. Thompson said that he can block the parking lot immediately and that they can do a better job in regards of the garbage.

Mr. Thompson said that there must be several clean ups throughout the day.

Mr. Cooney recommended to amend the plan of operations to monitoring the garbage throughout the day, pick up as needed in addition to the daily clean up and to block the parking lot on east 6th St.

Ald. Coggs said that she would like the applicant to be part of the neighborhood association.

Ald. Chambers moved to amend the plan of operations to monitoring the garbage throughout the day, pick up garbage as needed in addition to the daily clean up and to block the parking lot on east 6th St. There were no objections.

Ald. Chambers moved approval as amended with a warning letter based on the neighborhood testimony. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

The meeting paused at 1:35 pm
The meeting reconvened at 1:40 pm

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

06 KAUR, Davinderjit, Agent for "Chamber East Food Market LLC", Class A Fermented Malt and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications for "Chamber East Food" at 200 E Chambers St. (Expired 4/21/2023)

The applicant was present along with Atty. Michael Maistelman and Atty. Vince Bobot. Mr. Cooney said that this is a license that the Common Council recommended for nonrenewal and that the applicant went to the court and that the judge ordered a new hearing and that the committee watch the entirety of the Facebook video.

Sgt. Velasquez read the police report.

Atty. Maistelman asked Sgt. Velasquez when the officers reviewed the Facebook video.

Sgt. Velasquez said that the video was viewed on 11-29-22 at 7 pm.

Atty. Maistelman asked if there have been other violations since the last hearing. Sgt. Velasquez said that it is correct based on the premises police report. Individuals also present:

Ald. Borkowski said that we have a video tape of what is destroying our city and an opportunity to make a correction, and that this committee and this council voted unanimously to support that and that then, we are here because a judge made the recommendation to hear this application again and that the residents of Milwaukee would be stunned about this judge's recommendation after watching the video. He also said that is not a good thing not have any violations since the last hearing in reference to what Atty. Maistelman just pointed out and that it is not the best that we can do. Ald. Coggs said that the video that Ald. Borkowski is talking about, it is explained in detail in the police report and that it will be shown as well.

Ald. Coggs said that MPD is here to provide some information that is not in support or opposition and asked Mr. Cooney how to proceed.

Mr. Cooney said that they should go first.

Captain Sheronda Grant – District 5 - said that she has been at the district over a year now and that a lot of issues were happening between the Palmer and Chambers area.

She said that she recalls few incidences in the area and one where a woman was killed entering or exiting the store and that fast forwarding to the video that was shot inside the store; she said that store owner was participating in the video along with several individuals who were smoking, with a bottle of liquor, etc. She added that the police went to store and spoke to the owner, who lied about his name (provided a false name) to the police officer and that accountability is definitely an issue. She added that it is alarming that a store owner lied to the police and allowed and participated in the activity that was displayed on that Facebook video. She also said that police officers are conducting investigations in the area and that there are people selling drugs right outside from the store.

Ald. Coggs said that after her office was provided with the video, a meeting was held with the building owner and asked Captain Grant is she recalls that meeting.

Captain Grant said that she recalls it.

Ald. Coggs asked Captain Grant how she would characterize the building's owner response to dealing with the things displayed in the video as they were discussed. Captain Grant said that he was not holding himself accountable and that he said that he did even know about the video that he was part of.

Atty. Maistelman asked Captain Grant what led her to believe that the person that she is referring to as the business owner is the actual business owner.

Captain Grant said that she made the determination based on what the person said at the meeting, to the police officers and based upon the reports.

Atty. Maistelman asked Captain Grant if she checked the license application. Captain Grant said that she did not.

Ald. Coggs said that it was clear for her but only after that meeting and that in all the years that this business has been there, the person that they met with has always called himself the business owner but that he is the building's owner instead and that his sister who is here in front of us, is the actual business owner.

Officer Keith Garland – District 5 – said that he and his partner reached out to Mr. Kulwinder after they viewed the video and that he provided a false name to him. He added that they tried to make contact with his sister in multiple times and that she was never available. He also said that Mr. Kulwinder represented that he was the owner and that he was also running the business. Officer Garland said that every time that they were there for a premises report, there were individuals standing inside the store smoking tobacco and that they could smell a strong odor of marijuana and that people would disperse upon their arrival and they were very uncooperative until things got reheated with the video release. He also said that people started to get involved, that calls for service were made in regards to the drug dealing and things that were coming from the store. He said that he has been in that area for 14 years and that location has always been a hot spot.

Atty. Maistelman asked Officer Garland if someone has been arrested due criminal activity related to the business.

Officer Garland said that he would need to review the report but that he knows that some subjects have been arrested outside the business.

Atty. Maistelman said that he is saying under oath that he is here to testify and that he did not fully reviewed the report.

Officer Garland said that he was given a brief moment before the hearing.

Atty. Maistelman asked if someone from the video has been arrested and if there is an ongoing investigation about the activity in the video.

Officer Garland said that he is not aware and that he would need to defer to the officers who handle the drug complaints.

Atty. Maistelman asked Officer Garland if he attended the meeting that was held with his client and that if he knew that there is a mitigation plan in place.

Officer Garland answered that he was not present at the meeting and that he knows about the mitigation plan.

Individuals in support:

Sandy Spence – 3034 N Palmer St – asked not to blame it on the store because is the people who come to the store and that do not live there and that they call the police but the police do not show up until something happens.

Ald. Coggs asked Ms. Spence if she has smell weed inside the store or seen people smoking inside the store.

Ms. Spence said that there is people smoking weed in their cars outside the store.

Ald. Coggs if she has seen people drinking alcohol in the store.

Ms. Spence answered "yes".

Ald. Coggs asked Ms. Spence if she has seen people brandishing guns inside the store.

Ms. Spence said that she did it on the video that was shown at the last hearing.

Ald. Coggs asked Ms. Spence if she has seen people selling drugs inside the store.

Ms. Spence answered "no".

Atty. Maistelman asked Ms. Spence if she witnessed the store owner or whoever was running the store asking the people who were drinking alcohol to leave.

Ms. Spence said that the other employee (younger man) was there and that he did not ask those individuals to leave.

Mr. Jordan - 3036 N Palmer St - said that everything is almost back to normal, that there is no smell of marijuana and that no one is drinking outside.

Atty. Maistelman asked Mr. Jordan if he is a regular at the store and if the store is clean

Mr. Jordan said that he is a regular and that the store is clean and organized.

Ald. Chambers asked what was the sudden change to take care of the issues on item 7 from the police report, which seemed that it was a continuous pattern.

The applicant said that they have pest control of that and that they mop the floors twice/day and that they don't have any expired food.

Ald. Chambers asked how often she is at this location.

The applicant said that she and her husband are at the location after the store is closed.

Betty Clark – 131 E Chambers St – said that there are people hanging out in front of her house as well and that she needs the store to remain open because she is disabled and cannot walk that good.

Tammy Carrington – 3032 N Palmer St – said that the store has had little hiccups and that she hopes that they keep going in the right direction.

Ald. Coggs thanked the neighbors and MPD for coming to testify, said that the video was provided to the applicant, that the video will be played, and gave a disclaimer about the video contents (profanity, people drinking, smoking, display of firearms and offering drugs).

Atty. Maistelman asked who took the video.

Ald. Coggs said that the video was taken by the guy holding the phone and that is not a video camera recording.

Atty. Maistelman asked Officer Garland if he identified anybody in the video when he viewed it.

Officer Garland said that he did not but that there are subjects in the video who have been behind the cash register area at the time of the premises reports but that they were not able to identify the person even after speaking with the owner.

Atty. Maistelman asked if he tried to identify the people of video after watching the video.

Officer Garland said that he looked at the database but that they would have to speak to the drugs complaints section about whether there is an ongoing investigation.

Captain Grant said that several of those individuals have been identified and that one

individual in particular has an open case for selling narcotics to an individual who died from taking the narcotics.

Atty. Maistelman said that they would object because they would have been provided with that information prior than today.

Ald. Coggs asked what's the basis of his objection.

Atty. Maistelman said that the Captain provided some information that is not on the file

Ald. Coggs said that he asked for that information.

Atty. Maistelman said that they did not get a chance to review that information.

Ald. Coggs said that that information is not a gain from what we saw in the video and has nothing to do with the behavior displayed against the license.

Atty. Muche asked Atty. Maistelman whether he is objecting to the admissibility of the evidence that Captain Grant offered today as part of this consideration or whether he is asking for a larger opportunity to reinvestigate this matter, which his client has been fully aware throughout the course of the entire proceeding.

Atty. Maistelman said that they are not aware of who these individuals are.

Ald. Coggs asked the applicant if she knows or has seen some of the individuals in the video before.

The applicant said that she knows some but not all of them.

Ald. Coggs pointed out that Atty. Maistelman said that her client does not know who those individuals are.

Atty. Maistelman said that the Captain testified facts that they were not aware of.

Ald. Coggs asked Atty. Maistelman is those facts affect the decision being made here today.

Atty. Maistelman said that they do not know because they have not seen the records and that they don't even know who took the video.

Ald. Chambers said that Atty. Maistelman said that they did not have enough time as far as for the video when we have seen it in the previous hearing in March and that he testified in front of Common Council that her client accepted fault to what happened in the video.

Ald. Coggs said for the record that the members of the committee are not to consider, in the decision-making, the last statement made by Captain Grant about any particular person in the video and the positioning of them in any other legal matters.

Atty. Muche said that Alg. Coggs was clear, in terms of counsel's objection as to admissibility of the new information which was not part of the reason for this hearing as noticed and that it won't be considered in the course of this proceeding.

Atty. Maistelman said that anything that MPD has testified to and that they were not provided with prior the hearing should not be taken in consideration.

Atty. Muche said that he is responding to Atty. Maistelman's specific objection to the testimony that Captain Grant gave after she completed her entire narrative in response to his question and to which he objected to as a new information. He added that he is suggesting that the new information that was not part of the facts and circumstances shared previously with the license holder should be excluded.

Atty. Maistelman said that they just have one standing objection because this is a novo hearing and that they were not provided with that information.

The video was played.

Ald. Coggs wanted to put it on record that MPD went to the store after watching the Facebook video and asked to see the surveillance video from the store, which matched, with what was seen in the Facebook video.

Captain Grant said that what Ald. Coggs said is correct.

Ald. Chambers asked Atty. Maistelman why he thinks that this application deserves less than nonrenewal after we have seen the entire the video displaying all those unacceptable behaviors.

Atty. Bobot said that they wanted to watch the video on its entire context to see what it is allegedly marijuana and two handguns being displayed. He also said that what is important to remember is that this is a long-standing business, that they have called

and cooperated with the police, that a mitigation plan was proposed, that there has been no problem since the video to the present and that we know that neighbors want the store to remain open. He added that the building and the business are for sale, that they have an accepted offer.

Ald. Chambers asked if the offer is contingent on obtaining the license.

Atty. Bobot said that it is correct and that all of the sudden someone decided to walk in and do a viral video and that after looking at the video for 5 or 6 times, he did not see anything in the video identifying the store. He added that we know that the owner went by but that we do not see the name of the store or the address and that someone would have to know that it is East Chamber Food. He also said that what Atty. Maistelman wanted to know is that now the police have identified particular individuals, who took the video and the circumstances for taking the video and if the owner threw them out and if it was one if this spontaneous things and that all those things are going to play on what the new proper punishment is. He asked the committee to remember that this business has the support of the community, with no disciplinary actions before and that is going to disappear because of this video.

Atty. Bobot asked what the police has done to keep the clowns on the video accountable.

Ald. Chambers said that the person who came with his phone and started shooting the video was not bothered or asked to leave in the 32 minutes of the length of the video. He added that we are here to make a decision based on what the applicant and her representative's actions allowed to occur. He also said that they have an obligation to their business, the community and anyone who comes and shop at the store and that they failed. He added that they brought an entire bottle of Remy and marijuana and that they were flashing it to the people.

Ald. Chambers asked Sargent Velasquez if the store call the police at that time.

Atty. Bobot said that we saw the owner of the building in the video acting foolish but that we do not have any idea what led him to do it.

Sgt. Velasquez said that no calls for service were received.

Ald. Coggs asked the applicant if she was there that day when the video was taken. The applicant said that she was not there.

Ald. Coggs asked the applicant who was at the store then.

The applicant said that her brother who was managing the store.

Ald. Coggs asked what her brother's name is.

The applicant said "Kulwinder"

Ald. Coggs asked the applicant if in the 32 minutes video she saw her brother, the one that she allowed to manage the store.

The applicant said that she just saw him walking and doing hand signs.

Ald. Coggs said that we just heard from Sgt. Velasquez that no calls for service were made. She added that her brother, the ones who owns the building and that she allowed him to manage the store in her absence, participated in the behavior that was shown in the video and that he did not call the police. She asked the applicant if she has a reason to believe that he called the police.

The applicant answered that she does not know.

Ald. Coggs asked the applicant if the men with the Nike yellow shirt on, who had a gun, smoked weed, and was throwing gang signs, and was actually behind the cash register area in the video, works for her.

The applicant did not respond.

Ald. Coggs asked if anyone than her brother in the video works for her.

The applicant answered no.

Ald. Coggs asked if none of them works for you, why the man with the Nike yellow shirt on would be behind the cash register at your store?.

Atty. Bobot objected to the question.

Ald. Coggs asked the applicant to answer the question.

The applicant said that she does not know.

Ald. Coggs asked the applicant if she is going to take responsibility at all for the things that were in the video.

The applicant did not respond.

Ald. Coggs said that she cannot take seriously a mitigation plan when the owner does not take responsibility for the behaviors that took place and led to the need for a mitigation plan and that she asked to the owner who is here in front of us if she admits any responsibility and that we did not hear a "yes".

Atty. Maistelman asked the applicant if she knows that is her fault for having her brother at the store.

The applicant said "yes".

Ald. Borkowski asked Atty. Bobot if he condone all the behaviors displayed in the video.

Atty. Bobot answered "no".

Ald. Chambers said that his frustration is not with the attorneys but with their client, the building owner, the people involved in the video, in addition to the 32 minutes video. He added that there was expired food, reports of rats and mice and that it is the combination of things that give the parameters to rule as they do.

Ald. Coggs said that a viral video has been mentioned many times during the hearing and that she is glad that it was taken because we would not be here, we would not know what happened in there. She added that it is true that a viral video exposed what was allowed in there and gives them an opportunity to take action based upon it.

Ald. Coggs asked the counsel if they had any more questions.

Atty. Maistelman asked if the police have identified the guy in the Bucks shirt.

Officer Garland said that he does not know because it is part of ongoing investigation.

Atty. Maistelman asked if the police have identified anybody else on the video.

Ald. Coggs said that Captain Grant answered the same question earlier and that they all agreed to not consider it in the deliberation.

Atty. Maistelman agreed.

Atty. Maistelman asked if the police obtained a copy of the surveillance video that supported what took place in the Facebook video.

Officer Garland said that he would get that information later during the day.

Ald. Chambers said that he recommends the applicant to get the names of the actors to pursue legal action.

Ald. Coggs said that she has not seen a video like this where the idea of progressive discipline is one thing but that when you have the use and attempt to sell marijuana, possession and consumption of alcohol, brandishing firearms and one with a silencer, with people dancing around blocking the entry to the store. The building owner who is the brother of the store owner, who the store owner has allowed to manage the facility, dancing and making hand signs along with the other folks, and that the police said that there is no record of a call for service, and having it go on for what we saw that were 32 minutes, is disturbing at least. She also said that it is predictive of what could happen next if they do not take action and that they have indicators right on their faces that these behaviors are not going to stop and that progressive discipline is no longer the focus but the health and safety of everybody else is. She said that they were playing with guns and that the owner's brother played with them. She added that sometimes bad things happen out of place and that no one could have predicted it but after watching that video, no one in this committee can say that they could not see a problem here. Ald. Coggs expressed that the layers on the video and the lack of the management response, are indication enough not to renew this license and that it needs to be close down for the safety of the people who live around there, who patronize the store. She added that it is easy to clean up in between court and hearing dates and that she supports small businesses but that those small businesses must be responsible as well.

Atty. Maistelman asked if the plan of mitigation could be included in the record.

Mr. Cooney said that it is part of the record since the previous meeting.

Ald. Chambers moved to make the plan of mitigation part of the record. There were no objections.

Ald. Coggs wanted to put it on the record that the committee's determination shall be based on the facts and circumstances contained in the notice to the license holder and specifically testimony concerning subsequent investigation by Captain Grant about other criminal investigations is stricken and excluded from this proceeding. Atty. Maistelman said that his client did not have any problems in the past other than this one video and that now the Council is going to shut down a business that is worth a few hundred thousand dollars. He added that the abatement plan that they submitted prior and followed up since the last hearing has played off and that there has not been any problems since then. He added that in this case as in previous cases, the disciplinary action would be appropriate and asked the committee to take into consideration that there is an accepted offer to purchase and that her client is trying to walk away from this business without losing. He requested that the license be renewed with some discipline in a form of a suspension instead.

Ald. Coggs asked the applicant for how long her brother managed the store.

The applicant said that for the time (2 months) that she was in India.

Ald. Coggs asked the applicant if she has a chance to review the surveillance cameras while she was gone.

The applicant said that she does not have internet over there.

Ald. Coggs asked the applicant if her brother has managed, been inside or participated in the business in any way after she was made aware of the video and the behaviors displayed.

The applicant answered "no".

Ald. Coggs asked if her brother has an office or apartment above the store. The applicant answered "no".

Ald. Chambers moved denial based upon the preponderance of the evidence in the police report, the video submitted with the notice, the applicant and aldermanic testimony that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to health, safety or welfare of the public. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

01 SMITH, Tyron M, Agent for "Belle's Liquor LLC", Class A Malt & Class A Liquor and Weights & Measures License Applications for "Belle's Liquor" at 7278 N Teutonia Av.

The applicant was present.

Individuals in opposition:

Craig Eisman – owner of the property across the street for 20 years said that, a liquor store is not a proper fit with a church and a daycare next door. He also said that it would be a bigger problem adding a liquor store because he already picks up empty liquor bottles from the ground.

Ald. Pratt said that she would like to hold this application in order to have a neighborhood meeting where the applicant presents his business plan and for neighbors to voice their concerns.

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

01 HARRIS, Brionna N, Agent for "H & R REAL ESTATE SOLUTIONS LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises License Applications Requesting Disc Jockey and Bands for "100 Gems Plaza" at 6737 N TEUTONIA Av.

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Mr. Harris said that the items of the police report are in the past and that today is a new day.

Mr. Cooney recommended Ald. Pratt to approve the Class B Tavern and work on a permit basis for the Public Entertainment Premises.

Ms. Harris agreed on the plan.

Ald. Chambers moved to hold the Public Entertainment Premises application. There were no objections.

Ald. Chambers moved approval of the Class B Tavern license. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

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

Ave 4 - Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

#### Excused 1 - Coggs

01 MALLORY, Jaccari, Agent for "J&J MOTOR CARS LLC", Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer's License Transfer Application with Change of Business Operations (Retail) for "J&J MOTOR CARS" at 5231 W VILLARD Av.

The applicant was not present.

Ald. Chambers moved to hold the application to the call of the chair upon first nonappearance.

There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

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

Aye 4 - Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

#### Excused 1 - Coggs

01 WILKS, Anthony T, Agent for "JACKS LOUNGE LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications for "Jack's Executive Bistro" at 4923 W VILLARD Av. (Expires 7/7/2023)

The applicant was present and said that they have not had any overdoses on the premises and that he was not on the premises when the second item happened and that for the most part, they tried to improve the security of his business. Individuals also present:

Ald. Chambers asked the applicant if he has seen the video provided with the notice.

The applicant said that he received the video and that he watched it as well.

Ald. Chambers asked if what is shown in the video is part of his plan of operations.

The applicant said that those behaviors are not allowed and that they are not part of the plan of operations. He added that the servers wear sexy clothes and that no nudity is allowed.

Ald. Pratt made a disclosure about nudity in the video.

The video was played.

Ald. Chambers asked if that advertising belongs to his business.

The applicants said that it is his business and that he does not use this promoter anymore for the same reason.

Ald. Chambers asked Mr. Cooney if the applicant is allowed to use promoters.

Mr. Cooney said that the application says that no promoters will be used.

Ald. Chambers said that he is looking a promoter's ad for this Thursday, June 8th on his phone right now.

Ald. Pratt asked the applicant how often he is at the establishment if he was not there the night of the shooting and at the stripper party.

The applicant said that he was there the night of the stripper party but that it was not supposed to be like that and that they are a family oriented restaurant with good food. Ald. Chambers said that he is looking at the Instagram page and that he sees a lot of parties advertised by promoters since the license was granted just a year ago. Ald. Brostoff asked the applicant if he has paid people to promote his business.

The applicant said that he has not.

Ald. Brostoff said that the applicant has also said that his establishment is family

Aid. Brostoff said that the applicant has also said that his establishment is family friendly but that earlier he said that the servers wear sexy clothing which is not consistent with being family friendly.

Ald. Pratt said that there is an active group that complains about the traffic and that he is fully responsible for everything that happens on his premises and that he must understand his responsibilities as a licensee.

Ald. Pratt moved renewal with a 20 day suspension based upon the preponderance of the evidence of the police report and the video submitted that demonstrates the operation fails to comply with the approved plan of operation.

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

01 JABER, Sharif, Agent for "Nofal LLC", Class A Malt & Class A Liquor License Application for "Food Town Mart" at 3217 W Villard Av.

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Pratt said that looking at the concentration map, this location is too close to two full service alcohol stores and that for that reason she opposes to this application. The applicant said that he has been in the neighborhood for quite some time and that his customers are asking him to sell alcohol.

Ald. Pratt moved denial based on concentration. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

01 KHATIB, Ayman, Agent for "LEGACY AUTO CENTER LLC", Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer's License Application for "LEGACY AUTO CENTER" at 6767 N TEUTONIA Av.

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Pratt said that she met with Mr. Khatib and that the plan of operations meets the criteria that they want for the neighborhood and that the applicant owns another location with great reviews.

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

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Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

07 SINGH, Satpal, Agent for "ANSH CLARK LIQUOR, INC.", Class A Malt & Class A Liquor and Weights & Measures License Applications for "Clark's Beer & Liquor" at 4728 W BURLEIGH St.

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Prakash Navadia – said that he wants to make sure that the current license (license holder) does not goes inactive before the deal is closed.

Atty. Muche said that the City of Milwaukee cannot interfere with the negotiation between the parts.

Ald. Rainey said that he has no objections.

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

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

Ave 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

07 MOORE, Otis D, Agent for "5700 Court LLC", Class B Tavern, Food Dealer, and Public Entertainment License Renewal Applications for "Court MVP Sports Bar + Grill" at 5700 W FOND DU LAC Av. (Expired 5/9/2023)

The applicant was present along with Atty. Emil Obviagele who said that a couple of items from the police report involved some car break-ins. The applicant said that a lot of people park on the adjacent parking lot thinking that it belongs to his business. He added that he has surveillance cameras and bright lights in the four corners. He also said that he has bought a patrol car to check the area. As for the shooting, he said that they did not witness the incident but that it happened between two vehicles traveling on the south bound on Fond Du Lac Av. He added that one car got shot and that the security guard went outside to assist the victim and that neither the victim nor the shooter were at the bar at all. For the domestic dispute item between the employee and the significant other, the manager said that the significant other attacked the bartender because she found her boyfriend talking to her after she was trying to reach him.

Atty. Obviagele said that the bullets and the employee's girlfriend car damaged the establishment.

In regards on item 13, the applicant said that the police have the footage of everything

what have happened and that the surveillance system picks up sound. Individuals in support:

Atty. Obviagele said that he is fine with the record to reflect that 9 people are here in support.

Ald. Borkowski said that the committee is willing to hear any testimonies.

Atty. Obviagele waived the testimony hearing.

Ald. Rainey said that he supports the application.

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

13 ALQAYYIM, Ali, Agent for "Ram Auto Sales LLC", Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer's License Application for "Ram Auto Sales LLC" at 6171 S 1st St.

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Spiker said that he talked to the applicant and that this is a wholesale operation with no customers and vehicles on the premises.

Mr. Cooney said that it is correct.

Ald. Spiker said that the applicant cannot repair or store vehicles and that it is just an office space.

The applicant said that he is aware.

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

13 STOLZ, Scott O, Agent for "DUAL FOOD SYSTEMS, INC", Class B Beer, Class C Wine, and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications for "NED'S PIZZA SOUTH" at 3246 S 27TH St. (Expires 6/19/2023)

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Borkowski said that there was an issue with the sound when Sgt. Velasquez read the police report.

The applicant said that the first item was about a homeless person picking up slices of pizza and that the second one is self-explanatory.

Ald. Spiker said that he will get in touch with the applicant to share other resources at county level and that he has no objections.

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

13 GARAPATI, Indira, Agent for "Parkway Communities, LLC", Mobile Home Park License Renewal Application for "Parkway Communities" at 6160 S 6TH St. (Expires 6/30/2023)

Atty. Michael Maistelman appeared on behalf of the applicant and Shawn Landa from Parkway Communities.

Individuals in opposition:

Carmen Camacho – 6160 S 6th E-16 – said that she wants to know who is the property owner because she has never met the owner in the 4 years that she has lived there. Mr. Cooney said that the applicant is the agent and 100% stockholder according to a previous application.

Ms. Camacho said that the owner never shows up at any of the meetings and that her major concern is the charge of electricity because she does not know how the meter is read and that she gets bills for \$200/month

Ald. Chambers asked how the residents are assessed for electricity.

Mr. Landa said that 72 of the homes are on private lands and that We Energies charges the rest.

Ald. Chambers asked if they show the residents the break-down of the charges for those 72 homes.

Mr. Landa said that they don't because they get just one big bill.

Ald. Borkowski asked Ms. Camacho if the meter belongs to We-Energies or to her.

Ms. Camacho said that the meter belongs to the mobile park and that they have contacted We-Energies and that the mobile park has done nothing. She added that as a matter of fact, the meter behind hers is not working at all and that the neighbor gets a bill still. She added that her car was towed because the license plates were expired but that she was not fined by the police but by the mobile park instead.

Ald. Borkowski asked how many times she has complained about the electricity.

Ms. Camacho said that she has been complaining on regular basis on the last 4 years. Atty. Maistelman said that they do not have the records in front of them but that there is a procedure in place.

Ald. Borkowski said that there are other residents with customer service issues and that he does not know how far we can get today. He asked Ald. Spiker to buy sometime for the counsel to approach the people here and to address their concerns. He also said that they can come back at a later date with responses.

Ald. Spiker said that this application was scheduled due a serious claim about residents being charged for fees.

Ald. Borkowski said that he does not like businesses that treat badly their customers. Mr. Landa said that they run a manufactured mobile home park and that they do provide answers to their clients, which probably are not the answers that they want to hear but that complaints are taking seriously.

Ald. Maistelman said that are also another venues to deal with the problems like DNS, Consumer Protection Services, etc.

Ald. Spiker said that we have not heard the other neighbors but that years back the electricity was an issue too. He added that neighbors are in a difficult position and that the complaints of the people who came down must be addressed.

Ald. Borkowski asked if Ald. Spiker agrees on issuing a provisional license.

Mr. Cooney said that a provisional is possible but that the application must be taken care before the recess which means by June 27th.

Ald. Brostoff moved to hold the application for one cycle. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

14 HERNANDEZ, Harlan, Agent for "H&H Automotive Group LLC", Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer's License Application (Wholesale) for "H&H Automotive" at 4030 S PINE Av.

The applicant was present.

Individuals in opposition:

David Christensen – said that they had a meeting with Mr. Hernandez about taking care of the fumes, noises, running of engines, cars to be move fast out of the property, that cars were going to be painted inside the booth and that many promises were made and that nothing got resolved. He said that they called the City about working late hours, about the 32 cars parked on the street and that they have gone through BOZA and that the problems persist. He also said that they have complained with the police and that they won't come because it is a civil matter.

The applicant said that he disagrees on most of the statements made Mr. Christensen and that he has not been approached directly.

Gary Karpinzky - 3996 S Pine St – said that he has experienced the same issues over and over, garbage and cars parked for more than 72 hours in the back in the building or right in front of his kitchen window. He added that the location was shot when he was in his kitchen and that he could have been killed inside his own home. He also said that is the same owner applying with different names when things gone wrong, that the traffic is upsetting and that it is the only commercial property in a residential area. Christy Kirch – 3993 S Pine St – said that the smell fumes get her headaches and that she cannot enjoy her backyard or to have her windows open. She also said that the applicant shared his telephone number and tried to work with them but only at the beginning.

Ron Nikolajewski - 3992 S Pine St – said that he has been in the neighborhood for 21 years and that this is the only industrial use building in the area and that each applicant have been progressively worse than the previous one. He said that he is concerned about the negative impact on his property changing the use of the land. Patty – 3964 S Pine St – said that she agrees with her neighbors' statements and that she and her husband believe that their property value is decreasing because of the photos that she passed around showing traffic and a full lot. Individuals also present:

Ald. Dimitrijevic said that what the committee heard from the neighbors is what she has heard in general and that she objects to this application in support of the neighbors. She added that the business can operate as is doing it now. The applicant said that they do not need to like each other, that there is a lot of false information and that he hopes that the neighbors be as respectful to him as he is to

Ald. Chambers moved denial based on the neighborhood testimony. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

14 DODSON, Charmice L, Agent for "Bellis Bistro, LLC", Class B Tavern, Food Dealer and Public Entertainment Premises License Renewal Application with Change of Agent, Transfer of Stock and Adding Disc Jockey as Type of Entertainment for "Bellis Bistro" at 2643 S Kinnickinnic Av. (Expired 4/19/2023)

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

Agenda Only

WEIGEL, Michael L, Agent for "WISCONSIN P & P AMUSEMENT, INC", Amusement Machine or Jukebox Distributors License Renewal Application with Transfer of Stock for "WISCONSIN P & P AMUSEMENT" at 12565 LISBON Rd.

- 03 NORD, Steven J, Agent for "KCS WINE & SPIRITS, INC", Class A Malt & Class A Liquor License Renewal Application with Change of Agent for "DOWNER WINE & SPIRITS" at 2638 N DOWNER Av.
- 04 BURGOS, Ruben A, Agent for "WISCONSIN HISPANIC SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION, INC", Class B Tavern and Temporary Public Entertainment Premises License Applications Requesting Instrumental Musicians, Bands, Magic and Theater Performances, Wrestling, Karaoke, Battle of the Bands, Patron Contests, Comedy Acts, Dancing by Performers and Patrons Dancing for "MEXICAN FIESTA" at 200 N HARBOR DR.
- 04 DAMIANO, Christian M, Agent for "BRG Lotta Burger, LLC", Class B Tavern License and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications and Public Entertainment Premises License Application Requesting Instrumental Musicians for "Roundhouse" at 1750 N Lincoln Memorial DR.
- 04 GUTZMANN, Daniel M, Agent for "IRISH FESTIVALS, INC", Class B Tavern and Temporary Public Entertainment Premises License Applications Requesting Bands, Dancing by Performers and Patrons Dancing for "IRISH FEST" at 200 N HARBOR DR.
- 04 LUTZ, Mark S, Agent for "WA Cheese & Sausage Shoppe, Inc", Class B Tavern and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications with Transfer of Stock and Adding Stockholder for "WA Cheese & Sausage Shoppe" at 400 N WATER St #24.
- 04 RHOADS, Matthew J, Agent for "TUPELO HONEY HOSPITALITY CORPORATION", Class B Tavern, Food Dealer and Sidewalk Dining License Renewal Applications with Change of Agent for "Tupelo Honey Cafe" at 511 N BROADWAY #100.
- 06 LINDEMS, Anna, Agent for "Lindems Auto Inc", Recycling, Salvaging, or Towing Premises License Renewal Application with Change of Agent, Removing Stockholder and Transfer of Stock for "Lindems Auto" at 3915 N PALMER St.
- 14 ALBITER, Arturo, Agent for "ALBITER AND PICHARDO LLC", Permanent Extension of Premises for Alcohol and Food (8th St) and Sidewalk Dining License Applications for "Mal de Amores Latin Tavern" at 733 W OKLAHOMA Av.
- 14 JONAS, Paul U, Agent for "NEVADA PRODUCTIONS LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises License Transfer Applications Adding 3 Amusement Machines and Jukebox for "THE TONIC TAVERN" at 2335 S KINNICKINNIC Av.
- 14 RADICEVICH, Natalia A, Agent for "OLD TOWN SERBIAN GOURMET

RESTAURANT, LLC", Permanent Extension of Premises for Alcohol and Food (North Sidewalk) and Sidewalk Dining License Applications for "OLD TOWN SERBIAN GOURMET RESTAURANT" at 518-522 W LINCOLN Av.

Ald. Chambers moved approval of the "agenda only" items. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

Warning Letter

CZERWINSKI, Dominik J Class D Operator's License Application

02 AMUNGWAFOR, Binyoti F, Agent for "Hideaway Tavern LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications for "The Hideaway Tavern" at 9000 W KAUL Av.

02 MUHAMMAD, Bilal, Agent for "76 Petro Mart LLC", Filling Station, Food Dealer and Weights & Measures License Renewal Applications for "Express Gas Pantry" at 7405 W VILLARD Av.

05 SILENO, JR, Anthony, Agent for "Manchester Suites Hotel LLP", Hotel/Motel and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications for "Hyatt Place Milwaukee West" at 11777 W Silver Spring DR.

13 CHAUDHARI, Jigar, Agent for "Dev Hotel LLC", Hotel/Motel and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications for "Country Inn Milwaukee Airport" at 6200 S 13th St.

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

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

Ald. Pratt moved approval of the file 230250 as amended. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

A motion was made by ALD. A. PRATT that this Motion be RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Coggs, Borkowski, Chambers Jr., Brostoff, and Pratt

**No** 0

The meeting adjourned at 6:08 pm

Yadira Melendez

Staff Assistant

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