



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

LICENSES COMMITTEE

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Ald. Nik Kovac, VICE-CHAIR

**Ald. Mark A. Borkowski, Ald. Nikiya Dodd, and Ald. Chantia
Lewis**

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9:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

Special

**This is a virtual meeting. All those wishing to attend should go to
<http://city.milwaukee.gov/citychannel> or Channel 25 on Spectrum Cable.**

The meeting convened at 9:15 AM

Present 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd, Lewis

1. [191979](#) Motion relating to the recommendations of the Licenses Committee relating to licenses.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

05 ROCK, Brent T Class B Tavern, Food Dealer, and Public Entertainment Premises License Renewal Applications for "MITCHELL'S TAVERN" at 10433 W APPLETON Av. (Expired 5/18/2020)

The applicant stated he wasn't present when the fight occurred, but this type of violence doesn't usually happen. He added that usually after an argument people shake hands, but he doesn't know what he can do to prevent further issues.

Ald. Dodd moved approval with a warning letter based on the police report. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

05 ROETTGER'S, David J, Agent for "ROETTGER'S COMPANY, INC", Extended Hours Establishments, Food Dealer, Filling Station, and Weights & Measures License Renewal Applications for "HWY 45 MOBIL" at 5501 N LOVERS LANE Rd. (Expires 6/30/2020)

Ald. Dodd moved to hold to the call of the chair based on nonappearance. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

The meeting recessed at 9:22 AM

The meeting reconvened at 9:31 AM

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

05 SHAH, Upesh C, Agent for "5548, LLC", Hotel/Motel License Renewal Application for "Midpoint Motel" at 10155 W Appleton Av. (Expires 6/30/2020)

Ald. Dodd moved to hold to the call of the chair based on nonappearance. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

05 SHAH, Upesh C, Agent for "Rima Corporation USA", Hotel/Motel License Renewal Application for "Port Motel" at 9717 W Appleton Av. (Expires 6/30/2020)

Ald. Dodd moved to hold to the call of the chair based on nonappearance. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

The meeting recessed at 9:33 AM

The meeting reconvened at 9:52 AM

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

02 ALI, Zakaria M, Agent for "JAD Food LLC", Food Dealer License Renewal Application for "JAD Food" at 5855 W Silver Spring DR. (Expires 6/29/2020)

The applicant stated the employee was not paying enough attention because he was having issues at home. He added that he has owned the location for over 12 years and this is the first issue of selling tobacco to minors. He stated that he has retrained his employees regarding checking IDs and he is in contact with MPD.

Individual also present:

Arlisia McHenry - 2nd District Executive Assistant stated that she spoke with the applicant about the issues in the police report. She added that Pres. Johnson requests a warning letter.

Ald. Borkowski moved approval with a warning letter. (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, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

The meeting recessed at 9:58 AM

The meeting reconvened at 10:05 AM

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

02 KIYANI, Shoabi IQBAL, Agent for "Petro Mart Silver Spring, LLC", Extended Hours Establishments, Food Dealer, Filling Station, and Weights & Measures License Renewal Applications for "Clark" at 9040 W Silver Spring DR. (Expires 7/2/2020)

The applicant stated that he retrained his employee who sold the tobacco to the minor.

Individual also present:

Arlisia McHenry - 2nd District Executive Assistant stated the applicant she contact the MPD community liaison officer. She added that Pres. Johnson requests a warning letter.

Ald. Borkowski moved approval with a warning letter based on the police report. (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, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

07 MOHAMMAD, Younas I, Agent for "A&I PETROLEUM, LLC", Extended Hours Establishments, Food Dealer, Filling Station, and Weights & Measures License Renewal Applications for "GAS DEPOT" at 2707 W BURLEIGH St. (Expired 4/30/2020)

The applicant stated that he spoke with his security guards about cooperating with the police.

Appearing with the applicant:

Atty. Emil Obviagele stated the applicant operates a stellar establishment and the police report was just a misunderstanding.

Ald. Lewis moved approval with a warning letter based on the police report. (Prevailed 4-1, Ald. Borkowski voting no)

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

Aye 4 - Coggs, Kovac, Dodd and Lewis

No 1 - Borkowski

*The meeting recessed at 10:23 AM
The meeting reconvened at 10:36 AM*

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

09 BRODERSEN, John R, Agent for "Brodersen Enterprises of Wisconsin Inc", Extended Hours Establishments and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications for "Popeyes" at 7525 W Good Hope Rd. (Expired 4/30/2020)

Appearing on behalf of the applicant:

Atty. Brian Randall stated the applicant is currently selling the franchise. He added that the incident in the police report was under prior ownership.

Almir Velagic

Ald. Kovac moved approval. (Prevailed 4-0)

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

Aye 4 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski and Dodd

No 0

Excused 1 - Lewis

*The meeting recessed at 10:41 AM
The meeting reconvened at 10:52 AM*

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Sponsors: THE CHAIR

03 MORTIER, Richard, Agent for "Little Caesar Enterprises, Inc.", Food Dealer License Renewal Application with Change of Agent for "Little Caesars #305" at 2831 N Oakland Av. (Expires 7/1/2020)

Appearing on behalf of the applicant:

Atty. Rick Donner stated this is the first time he's heard of the issues with patrons urinating by the fence. He added that there is no security on site and it is hard for the employees to hear if someone has loud music in the parking lot. He stated that the communication can be improved between Mr. Kaltenberg and the premises.

Rachel Williams 1016 W Keefe Ave stated she responds to calls from the neighbors and she does ask patrons to turn their music down.

Shaamika Robinson 10043 W Fond Du Lac Ave stated there is no public restroom. She added that they can add signs that specify no loud music. She stated that if they can hear the music in the lobby and they ask patrons to turn their music down. She added that when the Urban Ecology Center calls they go and pick up the pizza boxes

in the park.

Individual present in opposition:

Joe Kaltenberg 724 E Geneva PL stated people urinate in his yard, and people are blaring music in the parking lot. He added that he requested a noise dampening fence, but they just put up a vinyl fence. He stated that he's called the store directly to have employees ask patrons to turn down their music and that has never happened. He added that he's not sure how the premises can resolve their issues because their solutions have not been effective.

Ald. Kovac stated that this premises isn't being treated differently than any other business on the block. He added that maybe the premises should hire security or more staff during busy times. He stated that good faith efforts have been made, but they haven't been enough.

Ald. Kovac moved approval with a warning letter based on neighborhood testimony. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

12 BELL, Arthur E AND BELL, Kathleen E, Rooming House License Renewal Application partnership for "Kathleen E Bell" at 828 S 19TH St. (Expires 6/30/2020) The applicant requested that the application be held because their attorney cannot be present.

Individual also present:

Ald. Perez

Ald. Dodd moved to hold to the call of the chair. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

12 SALAS, Brenda M, Agent for "El Coqui Bar, LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises License Renewal Applications for "El Coqui Bar, LLC" at 2078 S 8th St. (Expires 7/1/2020)

Individual present:

Ald. Perez

Ald. Lewis moved to hold to the call of the chair based on nonappearance. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

The meeting recessed at 11:33 AM

The meeting reconvened at 12:16 PM

relating to licenses.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

01 MAIZER, Fakhry D, Agent for "Hook Fish & Chicken, LLC", Food Dealer License Renewal Application for "Hook Fish & Chicken" at 2604 W Capitol DR. (Expires 6/30/2020)

Appearing with the applicant:

Atty. David Bangert

Individual also present:

Andrea Pratt - 1st District Legislative Assistant stated Ald. Hamilton has no objections.

Ald. Kovac moved approval. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

06 DOTY, Tra-don, Agent for "Elite Auto Sales and Repairs LLC", Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer's License Renewal Application with Change of Agent and Shareholder for "Elite Auto Sales and Repairs LLC" at 632 E CENTER St. (Expired 3/26/2020)
The applicant stated the hours are 8am-6pm and it will be by appointment only, but they will accept walk-ins. He added that there will be no dogs at the premises, they will not service dirt bikes or ATVs, and they will post signs regarding speeding. He stated that they were doing work on the tow truck.

Individuals present in opposition:

Justin Whiteman 620 E Center St stated a lot has to be addressed regarding the traffic in front of the school. He added that he still hasn't spoken to the applicant.

Richard Pinney 620A E Center St stated that the activity at the premises has increased. He added that friends of the applicant speed to the premises and have very loud music. He stated that he is still confused about what the business plan.

Ald. Coggs asked why a tow truck is parked near the location for days at a time.

Ald. Coggs moved to amend the plan of operation to include no work on ATVs or dirt bikes and no tow truck drop-offs after 5 pm. (Prevailed 5-0)

Ald. Coggs moved approval as amended. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

The meeting recessed at 12:48 PM

The meeting reconvened at 1:18 PM

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04 JONES, Victor R, Agent for "VICTOR'S ON VAN BUREN, INC", Class B Tavern,

Public Entertainment Premises, and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications for "VICTOR'S" at 1230 N VAN BUREN St. (Expires 6/30/2020)

Individual present:

Ald. Bauman

Ald. Borkowski moved to hold to the call of the chair based on nonappearance. (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, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

04 VASSALLO, James A, Agent for "ARBED, LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises License Renewal Applications for "MO'S IRISH PUB" at 142-44 W Wisconsin Av. (Expires 6/23/2020)

Individual present:

Ald. Bauman

Ald. Kovac moved to hold to the call of the chair based on nonappearance. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

04 VASSALLO, John A, Agent for "ARBED, LLC", Food Dealer and Sidewalk Dining License Renewal Applications for "MO'S IRISH PUB" at 142-44 W Wisconsin Av. (Expires 6/23/2020)

Individual present:

Ald. Bauman

Ald. Kovac moved to hold to the call of the chair based on nonappearance. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

The meeting recessed at 1:21 PM

The meeting reconvened at 1:53 PM

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

04 LIESKE, Gary L Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises, and Food Dealer License Renewal Applications for "GARE-BEAR'S" at 927 N 27TH St. (Expires 6/30/2020)

The applicant stated he kicked the people out who were fighting.

Individual also present:

Ald. Bauman stated he recommends renewal with a warning letter.

Ald. Kovac moved approval with a warning letter based on the police report. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

The meeting recessed at 2:02 PM

The meeting reconvened at 2:32 PM

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

15 KUSAK, George C Class A Malt & Class A Liquor License Renewal Application for "BUYRITE FOOD & LIQUOR" at 2500 N 35TH St. (Expired 5/10/2020)

The applicant stated he tries to keep his clients so they call the police. He added that they clean and sweep on a daily basis.

Individual also present:

Dameon Ellzey - 15th District Legislative Assistant stated there are concerns about security and cleanliness at the premises.

Ald. Borkowski moved approval with a warning letter based on the police report. (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, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

The meeting recessed at 2:41 PM

The meeting reconvened at 2:54 PM

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Sponsors: THE CHAIR

15 MCCAFFETY, Lonnie W, Agent for "Family Dollar Stores of Wisconsin LLC", Food Dealer and Weights & Measures License Renewal Applications with Change of Agent for "Family Dollar #26245" at 2214 N 35th St. (Expired 5/7/2020)

Appearing on behalf of the applicant:

Atty. Josh Gimbel stated the property was designated a nuisance.

Mindy Yoho 9418 N Green Bay Rd, Brown Deer, WI stated she is the district manager as of 4 weeks ago. She added that they've done over \$200,000 in investments in the

store such as flooring, coolers, cash registers, etc. She stated that 13 employees live within 5 miles of the store.

Danyelle Crowley 3948 N 17th St stated the store has made a lot of improvements since she started in August of last year.

Denelle Gordon

Harry Susman

Individual also present:

Dameon Ellzey - 15th District Legislative Assistant stated with the new change in leadership they have maintained contact with Ald. Stamper. He added that they've done a better job this year.

Ald. Borkowski moved approval. (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, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

The meeting recessed at 3:03 PM

The meeting reconvened at 3:16 PM

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

15 SINGH, Mamta, Agent for "NAT LIQUOR & FOOD MART, INC", Class A Malt & Class A Liquor License Renewal Application for "S & A LIQUOR" at 3725 W CENTER St. (Expired 5/4/2020)

The applicant stated she knew the victim for a long time and he was shot by someone who didn't even say anything. She added that the person just opened the door and shot the victim. She stated added that she doesn't have security but she will hire some.

Appearing with the applicant:

Atty. Paul Galganski stated that litter is a problem, but not all of it is coming from the applicant's premises.

Individual also present:

Dameon Ellzey - 15th District Legislative Assistant stated the applicant should get a security guard.

Individual present in opposition:

LaSonia Spears 2703 N 38th St stated the patrons leave trash, bottles and beer cans, and

broken glass. She added that the patrons play loud music and she has observed public urination. She stated that she has seen patrons littering when they leave the store. She added that she has seen people making U-turns in front of the premises and there are often accidents.

Ald. Borkowski moved approval with a warning letter based on the police report and neighborhood testimony. (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, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Kovac, Borkowski, Dodd and Lewis

No 0

*The meeting adjourned at 3:36 PM.
Molly Kuether-Steele
Staff Assistant*