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June 30, 2023

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Honorable Members:

Common Council File Number 230345 contains the following recommendations:

Renewal with a ten (10) day suspension of the Class B Tavern and Food Dealer licenses based upon the preponderance of the evidence in the police report and applicant testimony that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to the health, safety or welfare of the public; for the premises located at 3261 S 13th St. ("El Tucanazo Taqueria Y Mariscos") in the 14th aldermanic district.

Renewal with a twenty (20) day suspension of the Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer licenses based upon the preponderance of the evidence in the police report that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to the health, safety or welfare of the public; for the premises located at 6222 W Fond du Lac Av. ("Eve Dining") in the 2nd aldermanic district.

Renewal with a ten (10) day suspension of the Hotel/Motel license based upon the preponderance of the evidence in the police report that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to the health, safety or welfare of the public; for the premises located at 5253 S Howell Av. ("Super 8 Motel Milwaukee Airport") in the 13th aldermanic district.

Respectfully,

Milele Coggs, Chair
Licenses Committee

cc: All Council Members
File 230345



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Date: June 30, 2023

To: All Members of the Milwaukee Common Council

From: Licenses Committee

Re: Report of the Renewal Application of the Class "B" Tavern and Food Dealer, Licenses of Francisco J. Gonzalez, Agent for El Tucanazo Taqueria Y Mariscos Corp, for the premises located at 3261 South 13th Street in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("El Tucanazo Taqueria Y Mariscos").

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Francisco J. Gonzalez (hereinafter "the Licensee") is the holder of Class "B" Tavern and Food Dealer Licenses for the premises located at 3261 South 13th Street in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("El Tucanazo Taqueria Y Mariscos"). Said licenses expire at midnight on July 27, 2023.
2. An application to renew said licenses was filed with the Office of the City Clerk on May 11, 2023.
3. Pursuant to Chapters 68, 82, 85, 90, and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the matter was referred to the Milwaukee Police Department for investigation. On May 11, 2023, the Milwaukee Police Department responded with a report that could form the basis for nonrenewal of said licenses.
4. On June 14, 2023, the City Clerk's Office provided timely notice to the Licensee pursuant to Chapters 68, 82, 85, 90, and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes of the police report. The matter was scheduled for a hearing on the objections on June 23, 2023, commencing at approximately 10:50 am. in Room 301-B of the third floor of City Hall. At said date, time and place, the Licensee appeared and admitted receipt of the notice of hearing, together with a copy of the Milwaukee Police report.
5. Based upon the sworn testimony heard and the evidence received at the hearing, the Committee finds the following:
 - A. On November 2, 2022 at 1:08 a.m. Milwaukee Police were dispatched to St. Francis Hospital for a shooting complaint. Investigation revealed that two friends were at the address of 3261 South 13th Street eating when one showed the other a pistol. Not



knowing the pistol was loaded, one friend accidentally shot the other. The victim was conveyed to the hospital by his friend.

Individuals also present:

- B. Alderwoman Dimitrijevic asked at what time the shooting incident happened.
- C. Sgt. Velasquez said that the victim was taken to the hospital after 1 a.m. per police report record.
- D. Mr. Cooney said that the establishment closes at 11PM Sun – Thu and at 11:30 PM Friday and Saturday.
- E. Alderwoman Coggs asked if the report says the actual time when the incident occurred.
- F. Sgt. Velasquez said that the only call for service that was received was from the hospital and, that the bartender confirmed that the shooting happened inside the premises.
- G. The Licensee said that the shooting incident happened inside the premises.
- H. Alderwoman Dimitrijevic asked the Licensee what time the shooting happened.
- I. The Licensee said about 11:15PM
- J. Alderwoman Dimitrijevic said that she is in shock that the incident was not reported by the bartender/business and that it happened after closing hours and that she is concerned for both situations.
- K. The Licensee said that what happened is exactly what the police report says.
- L. Alderwoman Dimitrijevic said that she does not like the lack of cooperation from the Licensee and recommended a 10-day suspension.
- M. Alderwoman Pratt moved approval with a ten (10) day suspension based upon the preponderance of the evidence in the police report and Licensee testimony that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to the health, safety or welfare of the public. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Committee has jurisdiction to hold hearings and provide Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and a Recommendation to the full Common Council pursuant to Chapters 68, 82 85, 90, and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances.

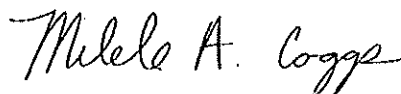
2. Based upon the above facts found, the Committee concludes that the Licensee, Francisco J. Gonzalez who holds Class B Tavern and Food Dealer licenses for the premise located at 3261 South 13th Street in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin (El Tucanazo Taqueria Y Mariscos") has not met the criteria of Chapters 68, 82, 85, 90, and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes to not renew the Class B Tavern, Food Dealer and Public Entertainment Premises without undergoing a ten (10) day suspension. The Committee finds the police report and aldermanic objections as stated above to be true.
3. In order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Milwaukee, it is the recommendation of the Licenses Committee that the full Common Council of the City of Milwaukee should exercise its judgment to not renew the Class B Tavern and Food Dealer licenses for the premises located at 3261 South 13th Street in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin (El Tucanazo Taqueria Y Mariscos") without undergoing a ten (10) day suspension.

RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law stated above, the Committee, by a vote of **five (5) ayes, and zero (0) noes**, recommends that the Class "B" Tavern and Food Dealer Licenses of Francisco J. Gonzalez for the premises located at 3261 South 13th Street ("El Tucanazo Taqueria Y Mariscos") in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin not be renewed without undergoing a ten (10) day suspension.

The suspension is in effect between 12:01 a.m. on July 28, 2023 until 11:59 p.m. on August 06,

Dated and signed at Milwaukee, Wisconsin this 30 day of June, 2023.



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Chairman, Licenses Committee

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Date: June 30, 2023

To: All Members of the Milwaukee Common Council

From: Licenses Committee

Re: Report of the Renewal Application of the Class "B" Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises (PEP) and Food Dealer Licenses of Thomas J. Holmes, Agent for Ahdream Entertainment, LLC, for the premises located at 6222 West Fond du Lac Avenue in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Eve Dining").

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Thomas J. Holmes (hereinafter "the Licensee") is the holder of Class "B" Tavern, PEP and Food Dealer Licenses for the premises located at 6222 West Fond du Lac Avenue in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Eve Dining"). Said licenses expire at midnight on July 8, 2023.
2. An application to renew said licenses was filed with the Office of the City Clerk on April 20, 2023.
3. Pursuant to Chapters 85, 90, and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the matter was referred to the Milwaukee Police Department for investigation. On April 26, 2023, the Milwaukee Police Department responded with a report that could form the basis for nonrenewal of said licenses.
4. On June 14, 2023, the City Clerk's Office provided timely notice to the Licensee pursuant to Chapters 85, 90, and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes of the police report. The matter was scheduled for a hearing on the police report on June 27, 2023, commencing at approximately 1:15 p.m. in Room 301-B of the third floor of City Hall. At said date, time and place, the Licensee appeared at the hearing, with counsel Attorney Emil Obviagele and admitted receipt of the notice of hearing, together with a copy of the Milwaukee Police report.
5. Based upon the sworn testimony heard and the evidence received at the hearing, the Committee finds the following:
 - A. On February 1, 2023 at 10:36 p.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 6222 West Fond du Lac Avenue for a shooting complaint. Upon arrival, officers observed a drop of blood on the front steps of the tavern but all the employees at the



establishment stated that there was no shooting at the location. The manager refused to speak to officers and only did later because the Licensee told her she could. The staff at the tavern were already cleaning up the establishment and mopping the floor. Later, officers found a casing and bullet fragment in one of the garbage bags and located another bullet fragment in the bar area. The surveillance video was unplugged which would have captured the incident and it was later learned that the shooter walked out of the tavern while police were on scene and nobody informed the officers so they could have taken him into custody. The shooter worked at the establishment. It also appeared that the establishment was selling Hookah without a tobacco license.

- B. On February 5, 2023 Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 6222 West Fond du Lac Avenue for a fight complaint. The officers filed a report.
- C. On April 1, 2023 at 12:41 a.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 6222 West Fond du Lac Avenue for a trouble with subject complaint. Investigation revealed that a patron had lost his keys and wanted the tavern to turn off the music and help him look for his keys. When the tavern refused, he became highly agitated. The subject towed his vehicle home. The employees did not request the police and said they would look for the keys after the tavern closed.
- D. Attorney Obviagele said that he wanted to set the scene so that we can focus on the most substantive incident. He added that there are 8 incidents in the police report, that 7 items have nothing to do with the fitness of the Licensee or the license. Attorney Obviagele said that the real incident that they have to contend with here is item 27 (shooting complaint from 2/01/23) and that he will be questioning his client.
- E. Responding to Attorney Obviagele's questions, Mr. Holmes said that he was not present on 2/01/23, that he received the call from one of the employees saying that the cook shot somebody in the leg and that he drove over there and that the police were there when he arrived. He said that the person who got shot is a person that has a contract to use the kitchen. He continued saying that the police were interviewing people and that they did not say much to him and that the only thing that they talked to him was about the surveillance system. He said that he was told that the person who got shot entered the restaurant to buy food and that no customers were around because it was during closed hours and that he closed earlier that day. He added that he cooperated with the investigation as soon as he arrived. As for the allegation that his staff was trying to conceal the evidence, he said that the detective told him (from the gathered information) that he believed that the staff cleaned up because there was a dirty table and that the someone said "clean up before Thomas comes" just because they know that he likes to see the place clean. He said that he was very disturbed when he found out that his staff did not call the police because it is something that he does not condone. He also said that the statement about the suspect walking out the door without the police being informed is incorrect. He clarified that the suspect's father was the one who walked out the door. He said that he provided the information of the suspect, that the police arrested him and that there was no criminal case filed against the suspect because when the police reviewed the evidence, they saw that the

victim was out of control before the incident, trying to kick down the door and threatening to kill the cook.

- F. Attorney Obviagele asked the Licensee if it is fair to say that his business internal policies or procedures did not work completely the way they supposed to work.
- G. The Licensee said that it is fair to say it, that he has brought new people in, that he has implemented background checks and a policy prohibiting employees carrying/bringing guns into his establishment and that he added a new camera system.
- H. Attorney Obviagele gave an overview of the policy that was added to the file before the hearing.
- I. The Licensee said that he admits that the staff was not forthcoming and that he fired them.

Individuals in Objection:

- J. Vianna – she said that she lives directly behind the bar and that in winter time even with the windows closed, she can hear the music still. She also said that there is a lot of broken glass from cars that are parked on the street (Baldwin and Fond du Lac) and that she has to pick it up. She also mentioned that the mother of her grandkids was once at this establishment, that she was not feeling well and asked to be picked up. She said that she went and that she was asked to pay \$20 to get in even after explaining to the people by the door, that she was there just to pick up someone who was feeling ill.
- K. Attorney Obviagele asked the witness how does she knows that the broken cars have something to do with the bar.
- L. The witness said that she does not know that but since the bar open, they have been experiencing those issues and specially the nights that the bar is open.
- M. Attorney Obviagele asked the witness if she is willing to have a conversation with the Licensee to discuss the issues that she has experienced.
- N. The witness asked why after she is here voicing her concerns and not before, that the staff is not forthcoming when she asked who is managing the place to talk about what she experienced when she picked up the mother of her grandchildren.
- O. Attorney Obviagele asked the witness if she has called the police.
- P. The witness said that she has called the police and the alderman's office even before having one.

Individuals in Support:



- Q. Ron Lee – 5859 N 75th St - said that Mr. Holmes is a great asset to the community, that he is a great father and that he knows that Mr. Holmes would not have allowed that this incident escalated like it did.
- R. LaTonia Guider – 5742 W Roosevelt Dr - said that she was an employee and that there are no issues for as long as Mr. Holmes has been running this place. She added that he does not tolerate violence at all.
- S. Alderman Chambers asked the witness when did she leave.
- T. The witness said that she left over a year ago.
- U. Alderman Chambers said for the record that there are incidents in the police report from the time that she was there and asked what they do when the Licensee is not there to diffuse situations.
- V. Ms. Guider said that she wants to correct herself and that there were incidents in the past and that Mr. Holmes was there to diffuse situations and that they call the police right away.
- W. Rose Ray – 3965 N 70th St – said that Mr. Holmes is a very good person who always promotes safety and that she has been a past and current employee. She also said that Mr. Holmes have now implemented new policies for the employees and that the staff promotes safety and customer service the way he does.
- X. Attorney Obviagele said that it is hard to validate the statement of the witness who testified against without knowing where she lives.
- Y. Attorney Farris said that she provided a physical description where she lives, that she did not provided her address due her job concerns, and that she should not be called again.
- Z. Mr. Musa - 2036 N Prospect – said that Mr. Holmes runs a very clean bar with a friendly staff and that he is happy that Mr. Holmes is around and that the City needs someone like him in the neighborhood.

Individuals also present:

- AA. Alderman Chambers said that he has talked to Mr. Holmes many times and that Mr. Holmes understands the frustration that he feels after the fact that he is the one contacting Mr. Holmes and not the other way around after the incidents that happened in November and February. He said that he acknowledged and accepted the abatement letter sent to Captain Birch. He also said that looking at the narrative of what happened on February 1, 2023 (item 28), it is almost a cover up that employees were not forthcoming, that they answered “no” on multiples times and even mopped the floor. He added that he has talked to Mr. Holmes and his attorney about those red flags and that he plans to hold individuals accountable.

- BB. Alderman Chambers said that he agreed on approval with a twenty (20) day suspension based upon the preponderance of the evidence and the neighbor testimony and in the police report that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to health, safety or welfare of the public.
- CC. Attorney Obviagele asked Alderman Chambers if he would agree that no one associated with the bar was charged with obstruction of justice or investigations.
- DD. Alderman Chambers said that he agrees and that item 28 is the one that weighs the most with the motion that he has made. He added that even if charges for obstructions were not made, they were obstructing with the investigation and that he and Attorney Obviagele agreed on based on the body camera footage that Attorney Obviagele subpoenaed.
- EE. Attorney Obviagele asked Alderman Chambers if he could give a physical description where this business is located because he could not get a sense where the objector lives.
- FF. Alderman Chambers said that Eve is located on the block between Baldwin and Constance on Fond du Lac Av; that there is the Social Security building and Eve Dining which is connected to the Diamond Inn hotel. He added that the witness testified that she lives behind and that it must be Leon Terrace, almost at the corner of the block which is Baldwin.
- GG. Attorney Obviagele asked Alderman Chambers if he has received complaints from Eve Dining within the last year.
- HH. Alderman Chambers said that he has received 2 phone calls but no e mails to be added to the file as evidence.
- II. Attorney Obviagele said that he wants to point out that the witness was not accurate about the fact of calling the police because his office made an investigation and that according to the report that they received, there were no calls received for noise or nuisances. He added that if they were aware, they would have done something about it.
- JJ. Alderman Brostoff said that they and Alderman Chambers were in communication before this meeting.
- KK. Attorney Obviagele said that those communications were focused on the shooting item from 2/01/23.
- LL. Alderman Chambers asked Mr. Holmes, if the issue about the noise has come up when they have talked before.
- MM. Mr. Holmes said that it came up in a conversation.

- NN. Alderman Chambers said that he thinks that Mr. Holmes is a respectful business owner, that he welcomes his business and that there are things that are unacceptable like this incident and that he hopes this is the only one suspension that he gets and that it should be used as a wake-up call. He added that it is nothing against Mr. Holmes and that he is not planning to close his business but that he must work with the neighbors and that he will be the point person between the two.
- OO. Attorney Obviagele said that there is no question that the staff should have called the police and do better and that his client's reaction tells what he believes in and that they are doing better in terms of background checks and putting policies in place. He asked for a lesser suspension or no suspension at all.
- PP. Mr. Holmes said to the witness who lives a block away from his business that the he does not know where the loud music comes from. He added that they clean up every night and that he has done things to keep his capacity down to avoid incidences and that he knows for a fact that his customers do not park where the witness said because of the same reason. He also said that after the incident from 2/01/23, he wrote the letter to Captain Birch (on file) and that he attended a constructive, positive and informative meeting on 2/09/23 where he also got recommendations that have been put in place and that is why the signed the abatement plan agreement. He added that he does not condone the gun violence and apologized for something that he does not condone and that he has been there since then.
- QQ. Alderman Chambers moved approval with a twenty (20) day suspension 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. (Prevailed 5 0)

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Committee has jurisdiction to hold hearings and provide Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and a Recommendation to the full Common Council pursuant to Chapters 85, 90, and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances.
2. Based upon the above facts found, the Committee concludes that the Licensee, Thomas J. Holmes who holds Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premise (PEP) and Food Dealer licenses for the premise located at 6222 West Fond du Lac Avenue in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Eve Dining") has not met the criteria of Chapters 85, 90, and 108 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes to not renew the Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises, and Food licenses without undergoing a twenty (20) day suspension. The Committee finds the police report and aldermanic objections as stated above to be true.
3. In order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Milwaukee, it is the recommendation of the Licenses Committee that the full Common Council of the City of Milwaukee should exercise its judgment to not renew the Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premise (PEP), and Food Dealer licenses for the premises located at 6222 West Fond du Lac Avenue in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Eve Dining") without undergoing a twenty (20) day suspension. The Committee based its recommendation on the testimony of the Licensee, police report, testimony of the local Alderman and neighborhood testimony. The Committee based its recommendation upon the preponderance

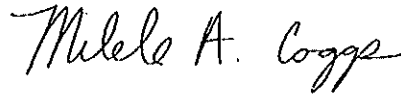
of the evidence in the police report that demonstrates the operation results in a threat to health, safety or welfare of the public.

RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law stated above, the Committee, by a vote of **five (5) ayes and zero (0) noes**, recommends that the Class "B" Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises (PEP), and Food Dealer Licenses of Thomas J. Holmes for the premises located at 6222 West Fond du Lac Avenue ("Eve Dining") in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin not be renewed without undergoing a twenty (20) day suspension.

The suspension is in effect between 12:01 a.m. on July 11, 2023 until 11:59 p.m. on July 30, 2023.

Dated and signed at Milwaukee, Wisconsin this 30 day of June, 2023.



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Date: June 30, 2023

To: All Members of the Milwaukee Common Council

From: Licenses Committee

Re: Report of the Renewal Application of M. Yasir Saleem, Agent for Mantra Hospitality LLC for a Hotel/Motel License located at 5253 South Howell Avenue in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Super 8 Motel Milwaukee Airport").

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. M. Yasir Saleem (hereinafter the "Licensee") is the holder of Hotel/Motel license for the Hotel/Motel located at 5253 South Howell Avenue in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Super 8 Motel Milwaukee Airport"). Said license expires at midnight on July 5, 2023.
2. An application to renew said license was filed with the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2023.
3. Pursuant to Chapter 85 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes, this matter was referred to Milwaukee Police Department for investigation. On April 25, 2023, the Milwaukee Police Department responded with a report that could form the basis for nonrenewal of said licenses.
4. On June 15, 2023, the City Clerk provided timely notice to the Licensee pursuant to Chapters 85 and 275 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances of the police report. The matter was scheduled for a hearing on the objections on June 27, 2023, commencing at approximately 2:15 p.m. in Room 301B of the third floor of City Hall. At that date and time, the Licensee appeared, and admitted receipt of the notice of hearing.
5. Based upon the sworn testimony heard and the evidence received at the hearing, the Committee finds the following:
 - A. On January 1, 2023 at 11:22 a.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 5253 South Howell Avenue for a trouble with subject complaint. Investigation revealed that the subject needed medical only. She was conveyed to the hospital by ambulance.



- B. On January 4, 2023 at 5:06 p.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 5253 South Howell Avenue for a trouble with subject complaint. Police informed the subjects that there was no room for them at the hotel and they left. The staff was helpful during the investigation.
- C. On January 14, 2023 at 7:18 p.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 5253 South Howell Avenue for a trouble with subject with subject complaint. Subject were gone on police arrival.
- D. On January 24, 2023 at 10:23 p.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 5253 South Howell Avenue for a sick and injured complaint. The unidentified caller refused to answer his room door and hotel staff was cooperative.
- E. On January 27, 2023 at 11:22 a.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 5253 South Howell Avenue for a trouble with subject complaint. Subject left before police arrival.
- F. On February 10, 2023 at 11:27 a.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 5253 South Howell Avenue for a trouble with subject complaint. Upon arrival officers contacted the problem subject and he left the premise.
- G. On February 24, 2023 at 8:12 p.m., Milwaukee Fire Department requested Milwaukee Police presence for a sick and injured at 5253 South Howell Avenue. The subject was incapacitated by alcohol and not a guest of the hotel. This was for medical only.
- H. On March 6, 2023 at 10:47 a.m., officers were dispatched to a Trouble with Subject at 5253 South Howell. Investigation revealed a guest was upset regarding charges for damage to their room, however, the matter was resolved with a refund prior to police arrival. The employee was cooperative with the investigation.
- I. On March 12, 2023 at 3:02 a.m., officers were dispatched to a Call for Police at 5253 South Howell Avenue. Investigation revealed a guest was upset over his grandmother, who has dementia, throwing away prescription medications. The incident was resolved and the guests were told to be quiet or they would be removed from the hotel.
- J. On March 28, 2023 at 2:37 p.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 5253 South Howell Avenue for a threat complaint. Subject left before police arrival.
- K. On April 2, 2023 at 2:20 a.m., officers were dispatched to a Call for Police at 5253 South Howell Avenue. Officers were advised by the employee a guest was complaining about another guest being loud. The employee stated they both called the room and knocked on the door to advise the guest to be quiet however, received no answer. The employee stated there had been no further noise or complaints. The employee was cooperative.



- L. On April 6, 2023 at 12:00 a.m., Loud music was coming from the parking lot next to 5253 South Howell Avenue. The caller was called and the noise had dissipated. No police were sent and no action was taken.
- M. On April 10, 2023 at 12:00 a.m., Milwaukee Police went to the address of 5253 South Howell Avenue to check for a wanted subject. The suspect was located and apprehended and the staff at the motel was cooperative.
- N. On April 18, 2023 at 1:00 p.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 5253 South Howell Avenue for an overdose complaint. Investigation revealed that a subject binged crack cocaine and snorted powdered cocaine all night and was found by management in her room, unresponsive, when she failed to check out. She was revived by medical personnel and conveyed to the hospital.
- O. On April 20, 2023 at 6:25 p.m., Milwaukee Police were dispatched to 5253 South Howell Avenue for an entry complaint. Investigation revealed that an unknown subject climbed through a window and took a shower in one of the rooms, then left. The establishment was cooperative.
- P. The Licensee was present and said that they took the property over last year and that this building was used as a shelter during Covid. He also said that they are working hard to avoid those situations from happening again and that they are good with the surveillance system, staff and overall control comparing to the last year.

Individuals also present:

- Q. Alderman Spiker asked the Licensee if he has a security guard in the location.
- R. The Licensee said that he is looking into it and that he would have it on site in the next couple of days.
- S. Alderman Spiker said this is the fourth hotel that we heard today and that they all started at one point like this like where MPD seems to be the security on site and that later they realize that need the security on site. He added that there are 32 calls for service and that the Licensee is disadvantaged because of the situation that the premises was used for homeless individuals during COVID. Alderman Spiker asked what has been done now that the hotel is not being used as a shelter but the activity has not diminished.
- T. The Licensee said that the police are called to deal mostly with homeless issues and that like he mentioned earlier, he is getting a security guard on site to avoid calling the police so often and that if the police gets there, the staff will be cooperative always. He added that the firearm was left in the room and that it was turned in to the police when they found it.
- U. Alderman Spiker said that his concern is that this business is not actively managed and asked again what is done in order to screen his tenancy and not having security.

- V. He said that they have the “do not rent list” and that they work in cooperation with the hotels next door, that they are training the staff to screen customers before renting the rooms.
- W. Alderman Spiker said that he wants to meet with MPD and the Licensee to develop a plan to move forward and that he is being generous recommending a ten (10) day suspension since they have been using MPD for free for over a year.
- X. The Licensee said that this is the first time renewing the license and that he will follow up with Alderman Spiker’s recommendations to make sure that these things it will not happen again.
- Y. Alderman Spiker asked the Licensee to call him also when situations like these happen.
- Z. The Licensee said that they are working on resolving the issues and that the security guard on site will help to avoid many of the situations that have happened and that he will follow every recommendation.
- AA. Alderman Brostoff moved approval with a ten (10) day suspension based upon the aldermanic testimony and 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. (Prevailed 5 0)

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Committee has jurisdiction to hold hearings and provided Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and a Recommendation to the full Common Council pursuant to Chapters 85 and 275 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances.
2. Based upon the above facts found, the Committee concludes that the Licensee, M. Yasir Saleem who holds a Hotel/Motel License for the premises located 5253 South Howell Avenue in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin (“Super 8 Motel Milwaukee Airport”) has not met the criteria of Chapters 85 and 275 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, to renew the Hotel/Motel License without undergoing a ten (10) day suspension. The Committee finds the police report and aldermanic testimony as stated above to be true as stated above.
3. In order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Milwaukee, it is the recommendation of the Licenses Committee that the full Common Council of the City of Milwaukee should exercise its judgment to not renew the Hotel/Motel License without undergoing a ten (10) day suspension held by M. Yasir Saleem for the premises located at 5253 South Howell Avenue (“Super 8 Motel Milwaukee Airport”). The Committee based its recommendation on 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.

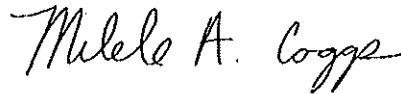


RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law stated above, the Committee, by a vote of **five (5) ayes and zero (0) noes** recommends that the Hotel/Motel license of M. Yasir Saleem for the premises located 5253 South Howell Avenue in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin ("Super 8 Motel Milwaukee Airport") not be renewed without undergoing a ten (10) suspension based on its recommendation on 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.

The suspension is in effect between 12:01 a.m. on September 9, 2023 until 11:59 p.m. on September 18, 2023.

Dated and signed at Milwaukee, Wisconsin this 30 day of June, 2023.



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Chairman, Licenses Committee

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