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Meeting Summary

LICENSES COMMITTEE

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Ald. Scott P. Spiker, Ald. Andrea M. Pratt, and Ald. Peter Burgelis

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9:00 AM

Room 301-B, Third Floor, City Hall

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

10 SINGH, Deanna, Agent for "UPLIFTING MANSION LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Application Requesting Instrumental Musicians, Disc Jockey, Motion Pictures 1/yr, Concerts 2/yr, Theatrical Performances 2/yr, Bands, Magic Shows, Karaoke, Battle of the Bands, Poetry Readings, Patron Contests, Comedy Acts, Dancing by Performers and Patrons Dancing for "UPLIFTING MANSION" at 3121 W WISCONSIN Av.

The applicant was present and said that this would be an event space with four floors, that each floor will have a different theme and that it will be affordable for everyone. There were no neighbors present to testify.

Individuals also present:

Amanda Grice (LAS for Ald. Moore) said that Ald. Moore supports the application.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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11 CORREA MIRAMONTES, Hermojenes, Agent for "CARNITAS MI PUEBLO LLC", Class B Tavern License Application for "MI PUEBLO MEXICAN RESTAURANT & BAR" at 8412 W MORGAN Av.

The applicant was present along with Chris Correa as interpreter.

The applicant said that he is looking forward to work with the community, that he has placed surveillance cameras, with no late hours and that he will be paying attention to patrons when they leave.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Burgelis said that he is familiar with the business, that it has a great feedback from the community and that patrons are waiting for the alcohol license. He said that the hours are until midnight and wants to make sure that the hours are for when the business is actually open.

The applicant said that he will keep the closing hours until midnight and that he will open at 7am.

Ald. Burgelis moved to amend the opening hours at 7am. There were no objections. There were no neighbors present to testify.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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12 SANDRIN, Samantha M, Agent for "MIDWEST SAD, LLC", Class B Tavern License Application for "MIDWEST SAD" at 601 S 6TH St.

The applicant was present and said that this is her third location but that this would be her own first brick and mortar and that she will be offering a community kitchen at no cost to those with interest in the culinary arts.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Burgelis asked the applicant if there is going to be a protocol to use the community kitchen.

The applicant said that there will be an application process and that she is working with MHD. She added that she has experience with community kitchens.

Ald. Perez said that he is very happy that this space is going to be utilized in the way that the applicant will do and that there are no objections.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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12 PEREZ MARTINEZ, Toribio, Agent for "TAQUERIA EL TORO LLC", Class B Tavern, Extended Hours Establishments, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application for "TAQUERIA EL TORO LLC" at 551 W HISTORIC MITCHELL St. (Expired 2/5/2025)

The applicant was present along with Delfina (wife) and Andrea Perez (daughter) as interpreter.

The police report was read.

The applicant said that there are a lot of issues with the location and that for item 2 on

the police report, he explained that the server was busy and did not have time to ask for an id. He added that they have been asking for ids prior to serving alcohol. He also explained that the other item on the police report was about him taking bottles of alcohol from one location to the other and that he did not know that he was not allowed to do it.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Zamarripa asked if the fines have been paid.

The applicant said that he has paid the fines.

Ald. Burgelis asked how they are checking ids now.

The applicant said that there is a security guard starting at 9pm on Fri Sat.

Ald. Perez said that he has talked to this applicant several times about this location.

He added that they talked about his management practices and that he still sees a pattern of bad practices and that he would like to move for a suspension.

The applicant said that he understands what happened but that he disagrees with the actions because he has seen businesses that have done worst with fights and shootings and remain open. The applicant declined to make any further closing remarks.

Ald. Zamarripa clarified that Ald. Perez is recommending a suspension, not a denial.

Ms. Lopez explained in English and Spanish the impact of the suspension on all of the licenses.

The applicant acknowledged the explanation.

Ald. Perez moved renewal with a 10 (ten) day suspension 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. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5 0)

Ald. Burgelis on the motion said that the applicant did not prepare himself for the hearing and did not present a mitigation plan to address the issues to the committee.

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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09 SINGH, Satwinder, Agent for "INDIAN BISTRO 861 LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer Licenses Application Requesting Instrumental Musicians, Disc Jockey, Jukebox, Bands, 5 Amusement Machines and Patrons Dancing for "INDIAN BISTRO 86" at 8665 W BROWN DEER Rd.

The applicant was present along with Atty. Andrew Arena.

The applicant said that he will have a fusion of Indian and Mexican food.

Atty. Arena said that his client has experience with this operation and that there will be some amendments after talking to Ald. Taylor. He added that they are withdrawing all types of entertainment except for the amusement machines and changing the hours of operation.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Spiker moved to amend the Public Entertainment Premises to Amusement Machines only per Atty. Arena's request. There were no objections.

Ald. Perez moved to amend the hours of operation to close at 9pm Sun-Thu and at 10pm Fri-Sat per Atty. Arena's request. There were no objections.

Ald. Burgelis asked the applicant to remove the sound amplification system that still

standing on the application.

Atty. Arena agreed.

Ald. Burgelis moved to remove the sound amplification system. There were no objections.

Ald. Taylor said that these amendments reflect what was agreed prior this hearing. She added that she supports the application as amended.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

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15 JONES, Tressa D, Agent for "FAVORITES LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer Licenses Application Requesting Instrumental Musicians, Disc Jockey, Bands, Karaoke and Poetry Readings and Age Restriction 30+ After 6PM for "FAVORITES RESTAURANT & LOUNGE" at 1810 W FOND DU LAC Av.

The applicant was present along with Carlos Jones and Chantia Sanders.

The applicant said that she has 20 years of experience in the business and that they are planning to bring a different experience to Milwaukee.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Perez asked if the applicant owns the building.

The applicant said that they do and that it has been fully renovated.

Ald. Stamper said that the location has been incredibly renovated over the last two years and that he is in support of this business which will offer a variety of fun activities to the community.

Ms. Lopez said that the application needs a floor plan amendment.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

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15 KEY, Dominic S, Agent for "KEY & WIGLEY LLC", Class A Fermented Malt License Application for "THE KEY SPOT ON 35TH" at 3432 W LISBON Av.

The applicant was present with technical difficulties.

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

Ald. Burgelis moved to reconsider the application at 10:12 am. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

Individuals also present:

The applicant said that he has been at this location for 4 years and owns the building which has been renovated. He added that sales have been low for almost two years and that the community has been asking for beer.

Ald. Stamper asked the applicant if he recalls the conversation that they held about beer and liquor before he bought the building five years ago.

The applicant said that he does not.

Ald. Stamper asked the applicant if he recalls the conversation that they held about beer and liquor a month ago.

The applicant said that he does.

Ald. Stamper said that it was the same conversation and that he is disappointed that the applicant filed this application knowing that he was not going to support it and that the applicant has not even complied with the deli area and fresh produce that he is supposed to have. He added that the area is saturated with alcohol.

Individuals in support:

Ms. Hardin - 4244 W Garfield Av – said that this establishment has been part of the community with back to school supplies, haircuts and that they have complied with inspection reports and with MPD. She added that the staff is well trained.

Ald. Zamarripa asked Ms. Hardin if she lives adjacent to the property.

Ms. Hardin said that she is a customer.

Ald. Burgelis asked how often she goes to this store.

Ms. Hardin said that once/wk.

Ald. Stamper said that the activity in the area is not easy to keep it under control and that it is saturated with alcohol stores.

Ald. Spiker moved denial based upon concentration and, the preponderance of the evidence in the applicant and aldermanic testimony. There were no objections.

(Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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15 SINGH, Kamal PREET, Agent for "JAGMEET INC.", Class A Fermented Malt, Food Dealer and Weights & Measures Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Agent and Removing/Adding Stockholder for "FDL SUPERMARKET" at 2709 N 28TH St. (Expired 4/1/2025)

The applicant was present and said that he has 10 years of experience in the business and 2 years at this location.

Mr. Singh (previous owner) was sworn in.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Stamper asked about the clean up plan.

Mr. Singh said that they are on top of this matter.

Ald. Stamper said that the applicant and previous owner have worked very hard and that they are very respectful to the community and asked them to keep the good job.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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15 APPLING-MCCULLUM, Kyra, Food Dealer and Temporary Event Food Licenses Renewal Application for "BEBE'S BISTRO" at 2803 N TEUTONIA Av. (Expired 8/22/2024)

The applicant was not present.

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

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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15 ISSA, Ala I, Agent for "GROCERY KING, INC", Class A Fermented Malt and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application for "BRIGHT FOOD MARKET" at 2500 W LISBON Av. (Expired 1/24/2025)

Atty. Maistelman appeared on behalf of the applicant.

Atty. Maistelman requested that the last item on the police report be held open.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Stamper said that he would like to hold this application for a community meeting since the building owner has not been cooperative neither assisted to the safety meetings.

Atty. Maistelman agreed.

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

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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03 SMITH, Joshua J, Agent for "WISCONSIN CVS PHARMACY, LLC", Food Dealer and Weights & Measures Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Agent for "CVS PHARMACY #8763" at 1650 N FARWELL Av. (Expired 3/20/2025)

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Zamarripa said that Ald. Perez reached out to Mr. Smith to resolve the issue about the litter brought up by neighbors when the district was not represented.
Ald. Pratt asked the applicant if the local alderperson has a local contact information. The applicant said that he will give it to him.
Ald. Burgelis asked why the company did not follow the previous plan of operations. The applicant did not provide a direct answer and said that the store should be cleaned up once/day.
Ald. Burgelis asked to whom contact if a plan of operations is not followed at this and the other locations.
The applicant said that the council members can reach out directly to him.
Ald. Browson said that we should hold this and all the companies responsible for keeping the premises clean because impacts the city directly.
Ald. Perez moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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04 ZHENG, Yulin, Agent for "ZX SUSHI INC", Class B Tavern and Food Dealer Licenses Application for "ZX SUSHI" at 823 N 2ND St #100.

The applicant was not present.
Ald. Perez moved to hold the application to the call of the chair per the applicant's request. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Spiker, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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

04 BAINS, Rajvir S, Agent for "A1 WATERSTREET LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises, Food Dealer and Sidewalk Dining Licenses Application Requesting Disc Jockey, Jukebox, Bands, Magic Shows, Karaoke, 5 Amusement Machines, Battle of the Bands, Poetry Readings, Patron Contests, Concerts 15/yr, Comedy Acts, Dancing by Performers and Patrons Dancing for "ELMNT LOUNGE" at 618 N WATER St.

The applicant and Atty. Maistelman were present and requested that the application be held while Atty. Bobot arrives.
Ald. Burgelis moved to hold the application to the call of the chair. There were no objections.

The applicant was present along with Atty. Bobot.
Atty. Bobot said that his client has 15 years of experience in businesses along the line of food/alcohol service.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Bauman said that this is a very large capacity venue (lady bug building) and that he is satisfied with this applicant's business plan.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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04 SCHNABL, Morgan K, Agent for "BRUNCH MKE LLC", Class B Tavern, Food Dealer and Sidewalk Dining Licenses Renewal Application for "BRUNCH" at 714 N MILWAUKEE St. (Expires 4/18/2025)

The applicant was present.

Ald. Zamarripa said that this application was scheduled due a MHD objection.

Individuals in objection:

Lauren Woboril and Carly Hegarty from MHD appeared.

Ms. Woboril said that the objection is based upon the change of ownership, not securing the proper license and selling food after the business was asked to cease operations.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Burgelis asked if the spreadsheet on file is the evidence of the food sales without a license.

Ms. Woboril said that there is the spreadsheet and two receipts with date and time stamped.

Ms. Lopez said that the receipts were not noticed.

Atty. Gresham said that the communications were internal and that there is a proper notice concern.

Mr. Cooney explained that the committee has what it was sent by MHD and that the applicant has the same file.

Ms. Lopez said that the two receipts are mentioned but not attached to the MHD's email.

The applicant said that the business was not open due the cease operations order. She added that she remembers people knocking at the door the same day and that no sales were made. She also said that the person who filed the complaint was an employee who was terminated the same morning that she contacted MHD and also entered the sales.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Bauman asked the applicant if she owns and manages the business.

The applicant answered "yes".

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

[241901](#)

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

04 BATES, Tino K, Agent for "ALLURE MKE LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises, Food Dealer and Sidewalk Dining Licenses Renewal Application Adding 4 Amusement Machines and Changing the Age Restriction from 25 and up to 21 and up for "ALLURE MKE" at 787-789 N JEFFERSON St. (Expired 3/16/2025)

Ald. Perez was excused during this hearing.

Ald. Jackson joined the meeting.

The applicant was present along with Atty. Maistelman.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Bauman said that this application was rescheduled because he does not support the change of age which was agreed by the applicant when the license was originally granted.

The applicant said that for the first incident on the police report, they met with the police and had a great conversation. He added that the employee was advised to cooperate with the police moving forward. He also said that they removed the contaminated bottles and asked the bartender to apply for the license.

Individuals in support:

Alex Anderson – 2025 E Greenwich #116 – said that he is in support of the change of age and that this business should be given the same opportunity as the neighboring businesses. He added that it seems that this business has been targeted.

Ald. Spiker asked the witness if he patronizes the business and what kind of relationship has with the owner.

Mr. Anderson said that he is a patron and the applicant's real state agent.

Ald. Spiker asked if there is a gap in the atmosphere because of the age restriction that impacts him as a patron.

Mr. Anderson said that there is a gap that does not impact him but impacts the business.

Ald. Burgelis asked the witness if he thinks that the change of age will improve the business.

Mr. Anderson said that he thinks it will improve.

Ald. Perez asked Mr. Anderson's testimony, if he thinks that the age restriction on this establishment is because of the black patrons.

Mr. Anderson said that he was here when Allure came to the very first hearing and the license was granted with the condition to serve 25 and up which makes him think that it is a direct reflection of the color of the patrons.

Ald. Perez asked the witness if there aren't any African-American patrons at the other establishments.

Mr. Anderson said that the other establishments have a diverse clientele and that Allure serves predominantly people of color and that he does not think that the restriction is linked to the level of maturity of the 21 years old but to the color.

Ald. Bauman asked if the applicant is looking to sell the building.

Mr. Anderson said that there is no signed agreement to lease or sell the building yet.

Ald. Bauman said that the applicant told him that he is looking to sell the business and the real estate.

Mr. Anderson said that Mr. Bates is looking for opportunities to a solution with the unfairness that he has experienced on Jefferson St.

Atty. Maistelman said that he submitted a newspaper article for everyone to read about this issue.

Ald. Bauman objected to the article on the basis that is not a proper evidence to be submitted with anonymous statements.

Ald. Zamarripa noted the objection and acknowledged that the article was added to record.

Ald. Perez asked the applicant why did he agree to the age restriction when the license was first granted.

The applicant said that it was something that the alderman asked during the meeting after he said that he was looking to target the 25 and up market. He added that he took a chance in getting the license.

Ald. Perez asked if he didn't want to but that he agreed to it.

The applicant said that it is correct.

Atty. Maistelman said that the applicant and Ald. Bauman agreed on the age group and that there haven't been any problems and that is the reason why his client is asking to remove the condition.

Germaine Jacobs - 5835 N 79th St – said that he is a patron since the beginning and that he can see the difference of treatment given at this business comparing to Sophie's and Taylor's. He added that the agent has worked to make his business better and to represent his community in the best way. He asked the committee to give this applicant the opportunity to be successful.

James Taylor – W279 N8265 – said that he has listened the testimonies and that this condition has nothing to do with the race. He said that he is concerned about lowering the age because in front of Allure, there have been people with a cooler selling beer and shots on the street and that he has not seen anything like this in 30 years. He added that he has been at Allure and that he saw one customer being kicked out of Allure who walked out to his bar and knocked two individuals down with his fist and left them on the sidewalk knocked out. He added that it was horrible and that he has witnessed people carrying guns and running down Jefferson St. twice. He also said that this is not about Tino's business but that this behavior is happening and lowering the age would be a worse problem.

Ald. Burgelis asked Mr. Taylor if he called the police when he saw the people running with guns and selling alcohol in front of Allure.

Mr. Taylor said that he did not.

Ald. Burgelis asked Mr. Taylor if he informed Mr. Bates about the alcohol being sold in front of his location.

Mr. Taylor said that he did it.

Atty. Maistelman asked Mr. Taylor if he took a picture of the person selling alcohol outside.

Mr. Taylor said that he did not.

Mr. Bates said that some photos were submitted last year of a person with a cooler and that it is not in front of his business.

Colin Phillips – 795 N. Jefferson St. – General Manager at Taylor's – said that he sees a lot of marijuana smoking, loitering and that he is opposed to lowering the age limit as he fears will lead to havoc on the street. He added that no other businesses in the area knew Allure wanted to lower the age; that the licensee never spoke around about and he feels that it is an issue because Mr. Bates is an absentee owner. He added that the bars on the street are trying to cater for an older crowd and lowering the age will bring noise, different motor vehicles that will compromise the current business model. He also said that this is not personal and that Mr. Bates is a great guy.

Ald. Pratt asked for the age limit at Taylor's.

Mr. Phillips said that it is 21 but that the age group they serve is between 27 and 70 years old.

Ald. Bauman said that the solely issue is the age limit. He read the third paragraph of the PA33 which still agrees to the 25 year age group like 5 years ago.

The applicant said that Ald. Bauman is referring to a conversation about other location.

Ald. Bauman said that the police report clearly stated the applicant is talking about Allure.

Ald. Spiker said that changes might bring another challenges and that the owner needs to take precautions.

The applicant said that they have been doing very well the last three years which makes him think that he is ready for the change.

Atty. Maistelman said that he would advise his client to hire an additional security officer to watch the younger crowd with zero tolerance for people under 25 and that they would notify the other businesses in order to ban disruptive people.

Ald. Spiker asked Ald. Bauman if there is a specific reason why the restriction for 25 and up is needed.

Ald. Bauman said that his office and Red Code were aware that the "Truth Lounge" on MLK Drive had issues with crime, fear and disorder and that they also knew that Mr. Bates was the owner. He added that when Mr. Bates talked about opening this establishment, the concerns at the other location were raised and discussed and that as compromise, Mr. Bates agreed to lock the 25 age limit. He also said that this testimony agrees with what Mr. Bates said on the PA-33.

Ald. Spiker said that the applicant must have to make sure that he is running things clear and tight and not to allow mistakes like the unlicensed bartender on the police report.

Atty. Maistelman asked why there are no objections with the renewal but there are with the change of age.

Ald. Spiker moved to separate the motions. There were no objections.

Ald. Burgelis moved approval of the Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises, Food Dealer and Sidewalk Dining Licenses. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

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

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

[241901](#)

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

Motion to Remove the Age Restriction from 25 and up to 21 and up request of Tino K Bates for "Allure MKE" at 787-789 N Jefferson St.

Ald. Burgelis moved approval of the Change of Age Restriction from 25 and up to 21 and up.

The motion failed 3-2.

AMENDED

Aye 2 - Pratt, and Burgelis

No 3 - Zamarripa, Spiker, and Jackson

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

[241901](#)

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

04 BATES, Tino K, Agent for "ELEVATE MKE LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Renewal Application for "ELEVATE MKE" at 1131 N WATER St. (Expires 5/2/2025)

The applicant was present along with Atty. Maistelman.

The applicant said that there is a misunderstanding with the item on the police report, that what he wanted to say is that no one on the block was aware of the ordinance. He added that he received a letter from MPD the next day giving him the proper notice and that he has followed it ever since.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Bauman said that the PA33 is very clear with the loud music coming from the rooftop after midnight. He added that this is the first renewal and that he remembers the conversation that he had with the applicant at the beginning. He explained that it is a very narrow new construction, 3 stories tall with a wide open bar at the rooftop and that he specifically remembers discussing the issue about the noise and music been played after midnight because it's been a frequent problem on Water St. He also explained that these circumstances have led to suspensions to licenses on the same street and that it is his concern because this is about where he get complaints from residents who live right across the street. Ald. Bauman said that we are encouraging people to live in downtown and that we must have residential sensitivity to loud music. He also mentioned that there is an ordinance that was discussed with the applicant and that the applicant assured him that he was not going to have noise complaints from his business.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

[241901](#)

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

04 SINGH, Devinder, Agent for "RAJ FOOD & BEER LLC", Class A Fermented Malt and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application for "RAJ GROCERY" at 3420-24 W WELLS St. (Expires 4/26/2025)

Ald. Chambers joined the committee at 12:22 pm

The applicant was present along with Sukeish Singh (son and employee) as interpreter. Atty. Maistelman appeared on behalf of the applicant.

Ald. Spiker asked the applicant if he had a chance to review the objection on file.

The applicant answered "yes".

Atty. Maistelman said that his client can explain in detail what happened but that employee involved was terminated.

Mr. Singh said that they did not buy toys because they do not sell toys and don't have children at home. He added that what happened was that the lady asked his employee for a bag to put the toys in and that the employee refused. He continued saying that somebody else bought some toys, that one toy went missing and the lady called the police. He added that police came, they were given permission to search the store for the missing toy which it was not found and that when they give access to surveillance system, they found out that the hard drive was out. He also said that they placed an order for a new surveillance system with 10 cameras before this incident and that it has been installed.

Individuals in objection:

Savannah Brooks – Near West Side Partners – said that they have been monitoring this store, that it has been cooperating and recently removed from the Landlord

Compact List. She added that they have been working on the loitering issues which they continued to occur, like the panhandling issues, that she has witnessed drug deals and public drinking in front of this establishment. She also explained that their objection is to the Class A Fermented license.

Ald. Bauman asked Ms. Brooks if she has personally witnessed the drug deals, pan handling and alcohol consumption in front of this premises.

Ms. Brooks said that she has.

Ald. Bauman asked Ms. Brooks if she also stated that the business has improved greatly but not at the point to reduce the incidences of the behavior that she has testified today.

Ms. Brooks said that it is correct.

Ms. Lopez clarified that MHD withdrew the objection and that there is no police report answering Ald. Chambers' question.

Atty. Maistelman asked Ms. Brooks if the store has improved from 8 months ago.

Ms. Brooks said that the store has improved the exterior and interior of the store.

Atty. Maistelman asked Ms. Brooks why they are objecting to the Class A license.

Ms. Brooks said that they do not need more alcohol in the neighborhood because they are trying to revitalize the area.

Atty. Maistelman asked Ms. Brooks if she objected to this license when it was first granted for his client.

Ms. Brooks said that the objection came from another member of the organization.

Atty. Maistelman asked Ms Brooks if she was working at this same store when the license was first granted.

Ms. Brooks said that she was working at the store with a different ownership.

Catherine Ivory – 1227 N 28th St – Cold Spring Park Historic Neighborhood - said that she agrees with Ms. Brook's testimony, that they observed similar issues at the Concordia neighborhood, that it is true that they don't want food deserts but that there is no need for alcohol. She added that she did not object the first time because she was not aware of the hearing.

Ald. Spiker asked if the information shared was observed personally.

Ms. Ivory said that this information is shared as board member from people voicing their concerns about the area and that she can only testify for the litter.

Ald. Bauman asked if the person who filed the objection was notified.

Ms. Melendez confirmed that the objector was notified by email.

Laura – 3209 W Wells St – Schuster Bed and Breakfast – said that her business has been there for 17 years and admitted that the applicant has changed the building, that he has made an effort but that the location that he picked and the customers coming in are the problem because when they buy from him, they come down 32nd St throwing wrappers and bottles as they eat and drink. She added that they clean extensively because of this problem and that when the customers drink, their behavior and attitudes change too. She said the actions of his customers are affecting her at the point that she gets bad customers reviews for those reasons.

Ald. Chambers asked what is the clean up schedule.

The applicant said that he does it once/day around his business. He added that he is cooperating with the neighborhood association and MPD and that they need more time to prove themselves.

Ald. Bauman said that there is a direct testimony and that this is the only alcohol store in the area which is the cause of the nuisance and asked the committee not to renew the Class A license.

Atty. Maistelman said that they are willing to hire a professional (licensed and bonded) security guard, do power sweeps within a two block ratio 2x/day and pest control.

Ald. Chambers moved to amend the plan of operations to hire a licensed and bonded security guard, power sweeps within a two block ratio 2x/day and pest control. There were no objections.

Ald. Bauman said that given these amendments he is willing to give it a try for another year.

Ald. Chambers moved approval as amended. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Pratt, Burgelis, and Perez

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

04 MORGAN, Jasmine A, Agent for "190 OCTANE RETAIL LLC", Class B Tavern License Renewal Application for "FAT TUESDAY" at 333 W JUNEAU Av #C. (Expired 3/2/2025)

The applicant was present along with Atty. Randall.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Atty. Randall said that the staff is trained, that they instruct people not to go to the plaza and that they sell alcoholic drinks in a tempered container. He added that he was there to observe and learn.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Bauman said that he has no objections.

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

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Pratt, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Spiker, Burgelis, and Perez

[241901](#)

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

06 ANWAR, Rana F, Agent for "AZAAN LLC", Extended Hours Establishments, Filling Station, Food Dealer and Weights & Measures Licenses Renewal Application for "CENTER ST BP" at 406 W CENTER St. (Expired 3/19/2025)

The applicant was present and said that he is working on some of the many issues that they had on the police report. He added that he is looking to hire security and that they are checking expiration dates. He explained that he has a security guard from the neighborhood because he knows almost everyone there but that he is not professional.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Zamarripa asked the applicant if he thinks that he can handle the 24 hours.

The applicant said that he does but looking forward to hire more staff.

Ms. Dantzier (LAS for Ald. Coggs) said that Ald. Coggs requested that this application be held in order to have a meeting with MPD.

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

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 3 - Zamarripa, Pratt, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 5 - Westmoreland, Spiker, Burgelis, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

[241901](#)

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

06 HUSSAIN, Saira, Agent for "SS PETRO MART LLC", Extended Hours Establishments, Filling Station, Food Dealer and Weights & Measures Licenses Renewal Application for "CLARK ON 27TH" at 2627 W CAPITOL Dr. (Expires 4/23/2025)

The applicant was present along with Mr. Muhammed (brother and manager). Mr. Muhammed said that they took over this business less than a year ago and that all of the items on the police report happened under the previous management. He added that they don't have a problem because they give chips and sodas to the people in need.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Spiker asked if they have thought about hiring a security guard.

The applicant said that he does not see the need for one.

Ms. Dantzler asked the applicant how the staff is trained to deal with difficult situations.

The applicant said that they give something to eat or drink to people when they ask for it and that they don't lock the doors when there is an issue. He added that they call the non emergency number or 911 depending on the case.

Individuals in support:

Neighbor - 2613 W Capitol Dr – said that this operator has improved the area and that he has seen a change even on the young kids because he has trained the staff to observe situations and to mitigate problems. He added that he has seen how people ask for stuff instead of stealing.

Ms. Dantzler said that Ald. Coggs is asking the applicant to keep an eye on the expiration dates and to continue the good efforts.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

06 GRICE, Michael L, Agent for "COMMUNITY TIRE SERVICE LLC", Recycling, Salvaging, or Towing Premises License Renewal Application for "COMMUNITY TIRE SERVICE" at 844 W ATKINSON Av. (Expired 11/21/2024)

Ald. Jackson was excused from the meeting. Ald. Perez joined the meeting.

The applicant was present along with his son. He added that the objection is not true because they dispose the waste tires accordingly and that they even have a stamp for it.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Individuals also present:

Ms. Dantzler said that they have no objections and encouraged the applicant to keep the good practices.

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

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Pratt, Burgelis, and Jackson

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

06 SHARIF YUSUF, Hassan S, Agent for "SPICE & BYTES GROCERY LLC", Food Dealer License Application for "SPICE & BYTES GROCERY" at 3806 N VEL R PHILLIPS Av #A.

The applicant was present along with his fiancée Sanita. The applicant said that he has 7 years of experience in the food industry and wants to have his own convenience store. He added that the store is not open.

Individuals also present:

Ms. Dantzler asked for the clean up plan.

The applicant said that they cleared the area from bushes and weeds and that previous owner put the dumpster on the back which gets a lot of illegal dumping. He added that there is a lot of traffic in the alley and that he even got his garage broken. He also said that he will commit to 3 daily clean ups around the premises.

Ald. Chambers moved to amend the plan of operations to 3 daily clean ups around the premises. There were no objections.

Individuals in opposition:

Annie Rhonda Fulford – 3815 N 3rd St - said that she is fine with the fact that they are opening the food store but that is not open yet and that they have been dealing with incredible trash and debris amounts in the entire neighborhood. She added that she reports this issue to the alderwoman’s office very often and that they are tired.

Ms. Dantzler said that Ald. Coggs asked the applicant to work and respect the neighbors and to take care of the clean ups.

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

Ald. Zamarripa excused herself.

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

OWENS, Jennifer Class D Operator’s License Renewal Application

The applicant was not present.

Ald. Chambers moved denial based upon second nonappearance. (Prevailed 4-1)

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Zamarripa, Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

BRANCH, Maleika Class D Operator's License Application

The applicant was present.

Individuals also present:

Officer Felix said that both items on the police report have been satisfied.

Ald. Pratt moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 3-0)

AMENDED

Aye 3 - Spiker, Pratt, and Perez

No 0

Excused 5 - Zamarripa, Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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

BROWN, Jessica Class D Operator's License Application

The applicant was not present.

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

AMENDED

Aye 3 - Spiker, Pratt, and Perez

No 0

Excused 5 - Zamarripa, Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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

RAUSER, Mark A, Agent for "WE DO IT ALL CONSTRUCTION, LLC", Home Improvement Contractor's License Renewal Application for "WE DO IT ALL CONSTRUCTION, LLC" at N76 W 31456 HWY VV. (Expired 2/28/2025)

The applicant was present along with his business partner, Nicholas Flynn.

Mr. Flynn said that he has plea agreement that was entered today, that the sentencing date is in 60 days and that both partners will be working together at all times.

Individuals also present:

Atty. Travis recommended that only the remaining allegations should be considered by the committee.

Mr. Flynn read the remaining pending charges.

Ald. Zamarripa asked the applicant if they have considered to drop Mr. Flynn as

business partner.

The applicant said that he does not want to because they are in the middle of a large project for a developer that they have worked for so many years and that he guarantees that Mr. Flynn is never alone at the work site.

Ald. Chambers said that he is not comfortable making a decision for this application even if the matter was personal.

The applicant said that this would be on him and that they are asking for a chance to continue working the way they have done it.

Ald. Chambers said that he has a disdain for charges like these but willing to give Mr. Flynn a chance.

Ald. Chambers moved approval with a warning letter. (Prevailed 4-1)

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Chambers Jr.

No 1 - Perez

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

13 PETERSON, Carol J, Agent for "THREE BLONDES, INC", Public Entertainment Premises License Transfer Application Adding Patron Contests for "MAVERICKS" at 2030 W HOWARD Av.

The applicant was present along with Todd Peterson.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Spiker said that he has not issues with the bingo nights.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

13 MUNZIR, Ahmed, Agent for "FUJI CARS LLC", Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer's License Application for "FUJI CARS" at 4828 S 13TH St #Unit B-6.

The applicant was not present.

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

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

13 REA MACIAS, Juan D, Agent for "REA MOTOR SPORTS LLC", Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer's License Application for "REA MOTOR SPORTS" at 4828 S 13TH St #B8.

The applicant was present and said that this is the right start up for his business. There were no neighbors present to testify.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Spiker said that this location is a new business model where most of the sales are done by internet and that he cannot longer support another application until he sees what happens with the licenses already granted at this premises.

The applicant said that this business model would help him and his family financially and that they are trying to become an Hispanic entrepreneur.

Ald. Spiker said that there are 5 or 6 different backgrounds and ethnicity operators and that he wants to see what happens first.

Ald. Spiker moved denial. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

13 GARCIA, Linda S, Agent for "LANDMARK 1850 L.L.C.", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application Adding Instrumental Musicians, Disc Jockey, Bands, Karaoke and Patron Contests for "LANDMARK 1850 L.L.C." at 5905 S HOWELL Av. (Expired 3/22/2025)

The applicant was present and explained that they will host bingo nights and that is the reason why they applied for the disc jockey license.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Spiker said that they met to discuss the changes and asked Ms. Garcia if she is willing to amend the application.

The applicant agreed.

Ald. Spiker moved to amend the application to specify that the DJ is solely for the musical bingo and that live bands will perform until 10pm. There were no objections.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

13 PILLER, Jeffrey J, Agent for "ALL CITY TOWING LLC", Recycling, Salvaging, or

Towing Premises License Renewal Application for "ALL CITY TOWING" at 1213 W MALLORY Av. (Expired 2/27/2025)

The applicant was present and said that the information on the notice was redacted so it is very limited and cannot talk about it. He added that he tows thousands of vehicles for the City of Milwaukee and tries to make everybody happy.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Spiker moved approval with no neighbors present to testify. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

13 ARTIGA, Lisa MARIE, Agent for "FUTURO ARTIGA CO.", Tattoo and Body Piercing License Application for "WC TATTOOS AND PIERCINGS" at 3180 S 27TH St.

The applicant was present and said that the item on the police report happened when she was 21 years old and that she has taken the proper steps to get her driver's license back.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Spiker said that he still has the same concerns from the last hearing.

Ald. Chambers seconded.

The applicant confirmed that Mr. Flores (previous owner) still employed at her KK location and that he will stay there because he is working by appointments only. She added that this location is more of a high foot traffic area and that is why she is pushing for this license. She added that the business itself did not have an issue and that the problem was with the upstairs premises.

Ald. Chambers moved denial based on the history of the location and that he does not think that any business should be there. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

13 BAKER, James, Agent for "SPEEDWAY LLC", Extended Hours Establishments, Filling Station, Food Dealer and Weights & Measures Licenses Renewal Application for "SPEEDWAY #4485" at 1300 W COLLEGE Av. (Expired 4/8/2025)

Atty. Randall appeared on behalf of the applicant and with Ryan Dreisser.

Atty. Randall addressed the items on the police report in three groups: that the first two

items are from about a year go when the licensed lapsed, that the employees showed up to work and they were advised by MPD to close the store. He added that the other group is for store theft which is very unfortunate and that except of item 3, the employee did not have access to the surveillance system. He explained that he has made sure that people is trained about and have access as well. He said that item 7 was tied up to an abduction investigation, that employees did the right thing making a call for service and the female was located and the employees cooperated.

Atty. Randall also mentioned that Ald. Spiker has been in contact with Mr. Dreisser and that is why he is present and that the issues that they have been talking about might come in the next police report.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Pratt asked if there is a sex trafficking training in place.

Mr. Dreisser said that there is not an specific program that they follow but that there is one in place.

Ald. Spiker asked if the applicant is willing to add the sex trafficking awareness training to the plan of operations given the proximity to the highway and airport.

Mr. Dreisser said that they can agree to it and that he will talk at corporate level to also find out resources as Atty. Randall suggested.

Atty. Randall said that he does not know the form yet but that he will contact the License Division and Ald. Spiker to add training on sex trafficking awareness.

Ald. Spiker asked if the company is willing to require sex trafficking awareness training to be worked out later.

Atty. Randall agreed.

Ald. Spiker moved to amend including a sex and human trafficking awareness training to the plan. There were no objections.

Mr. Dreisser said that this location has an automatic security live system and that the trash is picked up daily.

Ald. Spiker said that he has multiples complaints on the north side of the building and asked to do 3 clean ups and to monitor the area.

Atty. Randall asked Mr. Dreisser if it is doable.

Mr. Dreisser said that it is part of the protocol and agrees with the change on the plan.

Ald. Spiker moved to amend the plan of operations to three clean ups/day including the building's north side. There were no objections.

Individual in opposition:

Wendy Fonseca – said that the gas station is not handled neither taken care properly, that there is people living along the bush line and even sleep at the store. She added that the security system takes a parking spot and that neighbors get to hear it inside their own houses due the constant activity. She said that this business has brought nothing but trouble to the community.

Ald. Spiker moved to hold the application to the call of the chair in order to have a neighborhood meeting. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

14 BRADSHAW, Max S, Agent for "CRAVE HOSPITALITY WISCONSIN LLC", Class B Tavern License Application for "CRAVE KITCHENS" at 3001 S KINNICKINNIC Av.

The applicant was present and said that they have been catering since last October and that he is looking to offer alcoholic drinks.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Dimitrijevic said that she wishes great success and that there are no objections.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

14 NAVEJAR, Carolina, Disabled Loading Zone License Renewal Application at 3055 S 14TH St. (Expired 12/12/2024)

The applicant was not present.

One neighbor was present to testify.

Atty. Travis asked the witness to hold on the testimony for when the application be rescheduled.

Ald. Pratt moved to hold the application to the call of the chair upon first nonappearance. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Perez

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

[241901](#)

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

14 VELAZQUEZ PACHECO, Pedro A, Agent for "PACHECOS RESTAURANT LLC", Food Dealer and Food Peddler Licenses Renewal Application for "TACOS EL MILAGRO" at 2952 S 13TH St. (Expired 1/10/2025)

The applicant was not present.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Spiker moved to hold the application to the call of the chair upon first nonappearance. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Perez

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

[241901](#)

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

14 LOVEDAY, Candice K, Agent for "BABES & GENTS LLC", Class B Tavern,

Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer Licenses Application Requesting Disc Jockey, Jukebox, Karaoke, 5 Amusement Machines and Patrons Dancing for "THE HOUSE" at 1100 E POTTER Av.

The applicant was present and said that she worked there, that she wants to cater to older crowds and that it would be a regular corner bar.

Individuals in opposition:

Holly Potter – 1109 E Potter Av – said that she got a letter with no contact information from Victoria and that no other neighbors got it. She added that she is in support of woman owned businesses but that there are more babies and children living around the premises and that they really appreciate the quietness of the neighborhood.

Todd Sokolowski – building owner – with technical difficulties.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Dimitrijevic said that she has been talking with neighbors and the applicant and that there must be a meeting before moving forward.

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

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

01 SIMMONS, Eric K, Agent for "CRV AUTO GROUP INC.", Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer's License Application for "CRV AUTO GROUP" at 5169 N 37TH St.

The applicant was present and said that he has been in the business since 2016 and looking forward to have 5-6 vehicles to be sold in auctions.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Pratt said that this location is near the corridor and she wants to make sure that there is a plan for waste tires with having cars ready for auction.

The applicant said that he is working on it.

Ald. Pratt said that she would like to see the plan before moving forward.

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

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

01 COTTON, Brandon D, Agent for "B&N TOWING LLC", Recycling, Salvaging or Towing Vehicle License Application Requesting Collecting/Delivering Junk, Valuable Metal, Salvaged Motor Vehicle Parts (including secondhand tires/batteries) for "B&N TOWING LLC" at 3909 W GOOD HOPE Rd.

The applicant was not present.

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

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Perez

[241901](#)

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

01 OTIS, Tonia R, Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Business Operations for "UPTOWN BAR AND GRILL" at 3535 W VILLARD Av. (Expired 2/5/2025)

The applicant was present along with Lucas Brown (Manager).

The applicant said that regarding the items on the police report, the business was closed in January serving the suspension that was granted and that the rest of the cases are not related to the business. She added that they are working with the BID and DNS to improve.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

01 OUSLEY, Lanon K, Agent for "GLENDALE MINI MARKET LLC", Food Dealer and Weights & Measures Licenses Application for "GLENDALE MINI MARKET" at 3101 W GLENDALE Av.

The applicant was present and said that she is following up MDP's recommendations. Individuals in objection:

Juan Soto – neighbor - said that he objects because there are another 3 stores around and that he does not see the need for another one. He added that he has enough already with garbage, toys stolen from his property and his car broke in.

The applicant said that according to the police report, the car was broke in when the business was not even open.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Chambers asked the applicant if she is looking to apply for a beer and/or alcohol license later in the future.

The applicant said that she has no intention to apply in the near and far future for beer or alcohol.

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

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

08 SACTA, Marco, Agent for "15 MOTORS LLC", Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer's License Application for "CANO AUTO SALES" at 2624 W GREENFIELD Av.

The applicant was present and said that he has learned from his mistakes regarding the police report..

Individuals also present:

Ald. Zamarripa said that she is glad that there are no issues with the parole officer but that she reached to him and that she never heard back. She also said that a woman called in regards to this license. She also asked the applicant to return the calls in the future.

Ald. Zamarripa moved approval with a warning letter. There were no objections.

(Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

[241901](#)

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

08 LUNA VALADEZ, Edgardo, Agent for "CHAVOS RUCOS 4020 LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Application Requesting Jukebox, Karaoke and Patrons Dancing for "CHAVOS RUCOS" at 3209 W LINCOLN Av.

The applicant was not present.

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

Ald. Chambers moved to reconsider the application at 4:50 pm. There were no objections.

(Ald. Perez left the meeting).

The applicant appeared along with an interpreter.

The applicant said that the location has been vacant for a while and that he wants to bring it back to life in a safe environment.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Zamarripa said that she tried to reach out to the applicant by email and telephone and that she did not hear back from him.

The applicant said that he lost his telephone and that he did not have access to his email for the same reason.

Ald. Zamarripa said that she is willing to support the Class B Tavern and the jukebox only because the business is next to residences.

Ms. Lopez checked for the types of entertainment from the previous license and there were for jukebox, amusement machines and one pool table.

Ald. Zamarripa said that she would support the application with jukebox only.

The applicant agreed.

Ald. Chambers moved to amend the Public Entertainment Premises licenses application to jukebox only. There were no objections.

Ald. Zamarripa moved approval as amended. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Perez

[241901](#)

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

08 HICKMAN, Ryan E, Agent for "AUTO WRECKERS MILWAUKEE TOWING & RECYCLING LLC", Recycling, Salvaging, or Towing Premises Application Requesting Non-Consensual Towing for "AUTO WRECKERS MILWAUKEE TOWING & RECYCLING LLC" at 2776 S 34TH St

The applicant was present and said that he used to work for the City of the Milwaukee (Parking Operations) and that he is expanding his business that has owned for 8 years now.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Zamarripa said that she received 5 post cards in opposition, that there is no occupancy granted yet and that there was a car on the works when she drove by last week.

The applicant said that there are two buildings and that the other one has occupancy for a towing business and that what she saw has nothing to do with him.

Ald. Zamarripa said that she drove by and that there were cars double parked on Montana St and several people working on the cars.

The applicant said that it has nothing to do with him and that no one is working for him yet.

Ald. Zamarripa said that she cannot support this application with multiple objections from the neighbors.

The applicant said that there are several businesses there and that he has not started operations yet.

Ald. Chambers moved denial based upon the aldermanic and applicant testimony.

There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Perez

[241901](#)

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

08 FIGUEROA, Jessica, Agent for "COMIENDO RICO, LLC", Food Dealer License Renewal Application for "COMIENDO RICO" at 2302 W FOREST HOME Av. (Expired 12/3/2024)

The applicant was present.

Ald. Zamarripa moved to hold the application to the call of the chair while an interpreter is called.

There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

Ald. Chambers moved to reconsider the application at 4:10 pm. There were no objections.

The applicant was present along with Sam Dawson as interpreter.

The applicant said that regarding the item on the police report, the people came, took the money and that she was given a paper where no further action was needed.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Zamarripa asked the applicant if she is well organized after this incident.

The applicant said that she is.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Zamarripa said that it was hard to get a hold of the applicant and that she wants to make sure that we have the right contact information on file.

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

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Perez

[241901](#)

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

08 SANTOS LEON, Francisco, Agent for "TAQUERIA EL RODEO, LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Application Requesting Instrumental Musicians, Jukebox, 3 Amusement Machines and Mariachis for "TAQUERIA EL RODEO" at 3535 W GREENFIELD Av.

The applicant was present and Sam Dawson as interpreter.

The applicant said that he sells food and wants to increase revenue with alcohol and amusement machines.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Zamarripa asked if there is an intention to withdraw the PEP application.

The applicant said that he wants to keep it.

Ald. Spiker asked if it's the wish of the applicant to apply for the Class B tavern only.

The applicant agreed.

There were no neighbors present to testify.

Ald. Zamarripa asked the applicant if he is willing to withdrawn the PEP application.

The applicant agreed.

Ald. Spiker accepted the withdrawal of the PEP application.

Ald. Zamarripa said that the hours are also a contradiction from what was discussed by email with the applicant and Mr. Harvey.

The applicant said that the 9am -12am hours are from when he first filed the application but that he closes at 10pm.

Ald. Zamarripa asked if he has closed at midnight since he was open.

The applicant said that he has closed at 10pm.

Ald. Zamarripa moved to change the closing time for the Class B Tavern at 10pm.

There were no objections.

Ald. Zamarripa thanked the applicant for his willingness to amend the application and the withdrawal of the PEP due the proximity to neighbors.

Ald. Zamarripa moved approval as amended. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Perez

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

08 SINGH, Manpreet, Agent for "NATIONAL GROCERY, LLC", Class A Malt & Class A Liquor and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application for "NATIONAL GROCERY" at 3501 W NATIONAL Av. (Expires 4/8/2025)

The applicant was present along with Parshotam Singh (business partner).

Individuals also present:

Ald. Zamarripa said that this application was rescheduled due neighborhood objections and that they did not want to compromise with stop selling certain alcoholic products. She added that they stayed in communication with her and that they have reached out an agreement.

The applicant explained that he will have dedicated staff to check for litter outside 4x/day, to monitor activities outside the store with surveillance cameras and to have an action plan with the proper steps to move forward. He added that he has sent a list of the items that will be removed from coolers and shelves and also mentioned that they will be documenting incidents outside as well.

Ald. Zamarripa thanked the owners for doing this for the neighbors and that she recognizes that it was a big ask that she appreciates it. She also asked if they have seen an improvement.

The applicant said that they have found less cans and garbage outside.

Ald. Zamarripa asked if it is also reflected that they will have a chance to get rid of the inventory that they have (mentioned on the list) by October.

Ms. Lopez confirmed it that everything what the applicant mentioned is part of the record.

Ald. Perez said that it is a big problem at his district by Lincoln Park and thanked the applicant for leading this effort for the wellness of the community.

Individuals in support:

Joanna Bauch – VIA - said that they really appreciate the deep dive from Ald.

Zamarripa and the business owners for sitting down with them and make a commitment with the community. She added that the over saturation of the alcoholic products has caused damages in many ways to communities like this one. She also said that these businesses owners have made a life change for the community and that she would like to keep the communication open.

The applicant said that they plan on being collaborative from now on.

Jeff Sponcia – property and business owner – said that he supports this business with the efforts made in order to keep the community thriving. He added that it really means a lot to the neighbors.

Ald. Zamarripa thanked again to the entire family and moved approval. There were no objections. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, Perez, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 3 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, and Jackson

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08 SINGH, Jaswinder, Agent for "GARGARIA LLC", Class A Malt & Class A Liquor and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application for "GOODSPOT FOODS" at 2201 W NATIONAL Av. (Expired 3/19/2025)

The applicant was present along with his nephew Manpreet as interpreter.

Individuals also present:

Ald. Zamarripa said that this application was scheduled due neighborhood objections, that she met with this family as well (related to the prior hearing) where a compromise was reached.

Ms. Lopez confirmed that a similar list was received for this location.

Mr. Singh said that after the meeting with Mr. Kuschel, they came up with a similar plan like the 35th and National store.

Ald. Zamarripa said that this was another tremendous effort and that the items on the list are less because the stores do not handle the same inventory. She also asked the applicant to keep in contact with her and the community organizations regarding the inventory.

Individuals in support:

Kevin Kuschel – Clarke Square Neighborhood Initiative – said that he is very confident about this plan and wants to see actions like this happening more around the city and that the business community to be more supportive of the neighborhood they serve.

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

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Perez

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Chambers Jr.

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08 ARORA, Gurmeet S, Agent for "ARORA RESTAURANT, INC.", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Application Requesting 5 Amusement Machines for "LINCOLN CAFE" at 3330 W LINCOLN Av. 3

The applicant was not present.

Ald. Zamarripa moved to hold the application to the call of the chair upon first nonappearance. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Perez

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03 CHEN, Xiao Jin, Agent for "YING FU, INC", Extended Hours Establishments and

Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Agent and Removing/Adding Stockholder for "CHOPSTIX" at 1820 N FARWELL Av.

04 AITKEN-SIEGEL, Daria J, Agent for "LUPI & IRIS, LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises, Food Dealer and Sidewalk Dining Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Hours From Closing at 11:45PM to Close at 1AM for "LUPI & IRIS/ANDIAMO" at 777 N VAN BUREN St.

04 BATES, Tino K, Agent for "TRUTH LOUNGE, LLC", Class B Tavern, Public Entertainment Premises, Food Dealer and Sidewalk Dining Licenses Renewal for "TRUTH LOUNGE" at 1111 N MARTIN L KING DR.

04 WAGNER, Eric G, Agent for "BENELUX THIRD WARD, LLC", Class B Tavern, Food Dealer and Sidewalk Dining Licenses Renewal Application with Removing/Adding Stockholder for "CAFE BENELUX" at 346 N BROADWAY.

05 CARABALLO, Robert, Agent for "SUNDANCE, INC.", Extended Hours Establishments and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Hours From Opening 8AM Everyday and Closing 2AM Sun-Wed To Open at 9AM Everyday and Closing 3AM Sun-Wed for "TACO BELL #23265" at 5441 N LOVERS LANE Rd.

08 LARSON, Sheryl L, Agent for "TEDDY'S INCOME, INC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Hours From Opening 7PM Mon-Sat to Open 6PM Sun- Sat and Close at 2AM on Mon for "SHARI'S STILL" at 1834 S 23RD St.

11 STAMATES, Jay K, Agent for "4410 W FOREST HOME BAR LLC", Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment Premises Licenses Renewal Application with Transfer of Stock for "UNA" at 4410 W FOREST HOME Av.

12 ABDELRAHIM, Hanin K, Agent for "LA LUNA LIQUOR TAQUERIA LLC", Class B Tavern and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application with Change of Floor Plan and Public Entertainment Premises License Application Requesting 5 Amusement Machines for "LA LUNA LIQUOR TAQUERIA" at 552R W MAPLE St.

Ald. Pratt moved approval of the "Agenda Only" items. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Perez

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13 STEREN, Jeffrey M, Agent for "LAYTON RESTAURANT, LLC", Extended Hours Establishments and Food Dealer Licenses Renewal Application for "MC DONALD'S" at 191 W LAYTON Av.

Ald. Chambers moved approval of the "Warning Letter" item. There were no

objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

AMENDED

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Perez

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Ald. Zamarripa moved approval of the File 241901 as amended. There were no objections. (Prevailed 4-0)

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

Aye 4 - Zamarripa, Spiker, Pratt, and Chambers Jr.

No 0

Excused 4 - Westmoreland, Burgelis, Jackson, and Perez