

City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes - Final LICENSES COMMITTEE

ALD. JAMES A. BOHL, JR., CHAIR

Ald. Milele A. Coggs, Vice-Chair

Ald. Ashanti Hamilton, Ald. T. Anthony Zielinski, and Ald. Nik Kovac

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Tuesday, September 29, 2009

8:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

Meeting commenced at 8:11 a.m.

Present 4 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Kovac

Excused 1 - Zielinski

1. 090411

An ordinance relating to citizenship and qualified alien status requirements for issuance of professional or commercial licenses or permits.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Individuals appearing:

Ronald Leonhardt, City Clerk Richard Withers, Legislative Reference Bureau Christine Neumann-Ortiz, Voces de la Frontera H. Nelson Goodson, South Side Resident Tony Baez, Executive Director, Council for the Spanish Speaking

Mr. Leonhardt says that if the Common Council failed to pass the ordinance, the City Clerk's office would still have to uphold the law. He says that the ordinance would provide due process protection for applicants if passed.

Ald. Zielinski at the table at 8:36 a.m.

Atty. Schrimpf says that if the ordinance is not passed, there will not be procedures in place to enforce the law.

Ald. Zielinski moves to hold to the call of the chair. Prevailed 5-0.

A motion was made by ALD. ZIELINSKI that this Ordinance be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

Attendance taken at 8:36 a.m.

Present 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski, Kovac

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2. 090443

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

08 MENDEZ, Manuel J., Class "B" Tavern, Tavern Dance and Billiard Hall applications for "The Last Chance" at 3235 W. Scott Street.

Special Letter

Applicant at the table, with Attorney Andrew Arena as counsel. Ald. Donovan also at the table, as is Captain Donald Gaglione of District 2 of the Milwaukee Police Department. Vickey Mendez, wife of the applicant and previous licensee of the bar. Ondina Andino, 1219 S. 33rd St., appearing as translator.

Atty. Arena says that Mr. Mendez is withdrawing the Tavern Dance application and wants to amend his location name to "El Socolo".

Ald. Zielinski moves to accept the amendment of the application withdrawing the Tavern Dance and changing the business name to "El Socolo". Prevailed 5-0.

Atty. Arena says that Mr. Mendez was not involved in the previous licensed location. He also says that Mr. Mendez was not in the state during a time of illegal activity that occurred at the location previously.

Neighborhood objectors present:

Ismael Cardenas, owner of property at 3300 W. Scott St. He is in opposition to the license due to disorderly conduct by the patrons of the establishment and parking problems caused by the number of patrons at the location. Mr. Cardenas says that when he previously lived at the location, he often found trash and bottles from the business on his property.

Valdemar Gonzales, Jr., 3234 W. Scott St. He says that he previously testified about the problems caused by the tavern when it was open under Mrs. Mendez and he says that the neighborhood has not experienced problems since the tavern has been closed.

Mr. Gonzales, Jr. points out a couple of questions on the alcohol beverage application that he feels were answered falsely or incompletely by the applicant. He also says that he was threatened with a gun by Mr. Mendez outside of his home.

Ald. Kovac moves to make the criminal complaint against the applicant filed in circuit court part of the record. Prevailed 5-0. (Exhibit 1)

Ald. Hamilton moves to make the police CAD reports submitted by Atty Arena part of the record. Prevailed 5-0. (Exhibit 2)

Claire Zellner, 3224 W. Scott St. She says that she has not had to pick up trash and bottles from her property since the tavern closed and the parking problems and loud noise in the area have also been reduced. Ms. Zellner also says that she has a restraining order against the applicant and submitted a timeline of incidents she documented involving Mr. Mendez.

Ald. Coggs moves to make the timeline of incidents, notes and police reports submitted by Ms. Zellner part of the record. Prevailed 5-0. (Exhibit 3)

Atty. Arena objects to the documents submitted by Ms. Zellner being made part of the

record as hearsay.

Ald. Hamilton moves to make the police report for "The Last Chance" as it was operated by Vickey Mendez part of the record. Prevailed 5-0.

Bill Taylor, 1135 S. 32nd St., says that there has been peace in quiet in the neighborhood and less parking issues since the tavern closed.

Melinda Gonzales, 2620 W. Grant St., visits the area to take care of her mother and is opposed to the license.

Jessie Hartman, 3302 W. Scott St., is opposed to the license due to loud noise and litter. She says that she moved back to the area in March because the bar was closed.

Jose Castillo, 3218 W. Scott St., is in objection to the license.

Neighborhood supporters:

Steve Youngman, 1315 S. 33rd St., says that he has had positive experiences with Mr. Mendez and says that the applicant is very responsive to problems at his business, such as graffitti.

Jorge Cerna, 1222 S. 33rd St., says that he was present at the incident involving Mr. Gonzalez, Jr. and says that Mr. Mendez did not have a gun during the altercation and that he did not hear Mr. Mendez threaten Mr. Gonzalez, Jr.

Catarino Cerda, 3223 S. 7th St., is in support of the applicant.

Pedro Daleccio, 1207 S. 33rd St., says that he has not experienced any problems with the establishment and is in support of the applicant.

Victor Colon, 2916 N. Holton St., owns a business in the area and says that he has never seen any gang activity at the location.

Blas Cerda, 2214 S. 14th St., knows the applicant very well is in support of the license.

Porfirio Ventura, 3334 W. Scott St., is in support of the license.

Oliva Arias, 2307 S. 9th St., is in support of the license.

Ondina Andino, 1219 S. 33rd St., is a neighbor in support of the license.

Capt. Gaglione says that he has received calls from neighborhood residents indicating happiness that the bar has been closed. He says that he does not think that the neighborhood would be well served by the tavern re-opening.

Ald. Donovan asks the committee to consider not granting the license because he does not think the tavern is good for the neighborhood.

Mr. Mendez says that he will remove the jukebox from the bar and will get more help with checking IDs in the tavern.

Ald. Hamilton moves to deny based upon the police report and neighborhood testimony. Prevailed 5-0.

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

Aye 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

04 BABLER, Bryan P., Agent for "BAM Resources, LLC", Class "B" Tavern and Record Spin applications for "Fire" at 518 N. Water Street.

Applicant at the table, 8134 W. Keefe Ave. Lucy Krajna, Legislative Aide to Ald. Bauman, also at the table.

Ms. Krajna says that Ald. Bauman has no objections.

Ald. Coggs moves to grant. Prevailed 5-0.

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

Aye 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

04 GRAMS, Derek S., Agent for "Bar None Milwaukee, LLC", Class "B" Tavern application for "Bar None Milwaukee" at 1139 N. Water Street.

Applicant at the table, 307 S. Schuman St., Verona. Lucy Krajna, Legislative Aide to Ald. Bauman, also at the table.

The alderman's office has no objections.

Grant, by Ald. Kovac. Prevailed. 5-0

Aye 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

04 MC LEAN, Sarah M., Class "B" Tavern, Instrumental Music and Record Spin applications for "Distil" at 722 N. Milwaukee Street. Special Letter Noah Haney - General Manager at Mikey's - hopes to be a general partner in this establishment - address is 2433 N. Cramer It is hoped that this will be a high-end cocktail lounge.

Ald. Bauman's aide is at the table - the alderman has no objection.

Grant, by Ald. Hamilton. Prevailed. 5-0

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

Aye 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

05 PIPITO, Steve J., Agent for "ARP, Inc.", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Amusement (Cabaret/Nite Club) renewal applications for "Papa's Pub Social Club" at 7718 W. Burleigh Street. (expires 10-22-09) Special Letter

Atty. Michael Krill, counsel for the licensee, at the table. Applicant not appearing. Tony Pipito, 475 Bolson Dr., Oconomowoc, owner of the business, and Richard Hyle 1723 Highland, Grafton, bar manager, also at the table.

No residents present to testify.

Grant, by Ald. Zielinski. Prevailed 5-0.

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

Aye 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

07 HAMDAN, Munir A., Class "A" Liquor & Malt application for "Capitol Foods" at
 2483 W. Capitol Drive. New Location
 Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 2483 W. Captiol Dr. Omer Hamdan, 2483 W. Capitol Dr., also present at the table.

Per the applicant, the alderman's office does not support this application.

Neighborhood supporters present:

Reginald Reed, 3945 N. 24th Place, is in support of the license. He says that the establishment is very customer friendly and that the licensee has a zero-tolerance policy for illegal activity at his establishment.

Charles Henderson, 3945 N. 24th Place, is in support of the license.

Bernadette Lewis, 3945 N. 24th Place, is in support of the license.

Ald. Hamilton says that there are number of full liquor stores in the area and that he agrees with the objection of Ald. Wade. He says that his constituents, some of whom live across the street from establishment, would not be in support of the license.

Ald. Hamilton moves to make a concentration map centered around 2483 W. Captiol Dr. and dated September 1st, 2009 part of the record. Prevailed 4-0. (Ald. Coggs excused)

Ald. Hamilton moves to deny based on overconcentration of alcohol beverage outlets in the area. No vote was taken.

Ald. Zielinski moves to accept the withdrawal of the application. Prevailed 4-0. (Ald. Coggs excused)

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

Aye 4 - Bohl, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

Excused 1 - Coggs

Attendance taken at 11:06 a.m.

Present 4 - Bohl, Hamilton, Zielinski, Kovac

Excused 1 - Coggs

090443

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

07 JABER, Iyman A., Agent for "Smart Wireless, LLC", Precious Metals & Gems application for "VIP Cellular" at 4622 W. Burleigh Street. New Location Special Letter

Applicant not appearing.

Ald. Zielinski moves to deny based on non-appearance. Prevailed 4-0. (Ald. Coggs excused)

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

Aye 4 - Bohl, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

Excused 1 - Coggs

07 TROSTORFF, Dale R., Agent for "Gents Plus, Inc.", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Amusement (Cabaret/Nite Club) applications for "Goldiggers" at 4750 N. Hopkins Street. Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 2685 S. 13th St.

The applicant says that he intends to renovate and remodel the building and to run a clean operation.

Grant by Ald. Kovac. Prevailed 3-0. (Ald. Coggs and Ald. Hamilton excused)

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

Aye 3 - Bohl, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

Excused 2 - Coggs and Hamilton

13 SEIBEL, Debra A., Agent for "Plainfield Pub, LLC", Request for a permanent extension of the Class "B" premises for "Plainfield Pub" at 312 W. Plainfield Avenue to include a beer garden/private patio.

Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 312 W. Plainfield Ave. Ald. Terry Witkowski also at the table.

The applicant says that she runs a very good establishment and that she cannot understand the neighborhood objections. She also says that she is active with the neighborhood association.

Neighborhood objector:

Joseph Marinello, 4170 S. 4th St., is in opposition to the permanent extension due concerns about noise and about the potential reduction in the property values in the neighborhood.

Neighborhood supporters:

Terry Finger, 433 W. Bolivar Ave., two blocks away. He is support of the application and says that he does not believe that the extension of premise will cause problems. He also says that there is no unreasonable noise coming from the tavern.

Nicole Loop, 3914 S. 3rd, is in support of the license. She says that she applicant is giving up her private patio in order to avoid having smokers standing outside of the establishment.

Sharon Nowak, 3653 S. 84th St., is in support of the license. She says that the bar does not have noise problems and that the applicant is a very hands-on owner.

Dwayne Nowak, 3653 S. 84th St., is in support of the license.

Sharon Ward, 1979 S. 15th St., is in support of the license.

Ald. Witkowski submits to the committee a copy of the letter that was sent to neighbors in the area. He says that he thinks the process by which he notified neighbors was fair. Ald. Witkowski also says that he received a majority of responses in opposition to the extension of premise.

Ald. Kovac moves to make the letter provided by Ald. Witkowski dated September 14th, 2009 part of the record. Prevailed 4-0. (Ald. Coggs excused)

The applicant says that she respects her neighbors and would not allow a large number of patrons out on the patio at one time.

Ald. Witkowski says that patrons on the patio with drinks would likely lead to the smokers spending more time outside smoking than they would normally.

Ald. Hamilton moves to grant with the restriction of a patio closing time at 10:00 p.m. seven days a week. Prevailed 4-0-1. (Ald. Coggs abstaining)

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

Ave 4 - Bohl, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

Abstain 1 - Coggs

Attendance taken at 11:57 a.m.

Present 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski, Kovac

090443 Motion relating to the recommendations of the Licenses Committee relative to licenses.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

13 STERN, JR, Joseph G., Class "B" Tavern renewal application with change of hours and NEW Record Spin application for "Jug Heads" at 3675 S. 13th Street. (expires 10-28-09)

Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 129 W. Tenny Ave., Waukesha.

No neighborhood objectors present. Ald. Witkowski says that there have been no substantiated complaints against the establishment.

Seven neighborhood supporters appearing.

Grant by Ald. Kovac despite matters contained in the notice. Prevailed 5-0.

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

Aye 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

02 TATUM, III, Osie, Agent for "Signature Auto Sales, LLC", Secondhand Motor Vehicle Dealer application for "Signature Auto Sales" at 6502 W. Fond du Lac Avenue.

Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 4204 W. Fond du Lac Ave. Sherman Morton, Legislative Aide to Ald. Joe Davis, also at the table.

No neighborhood objectors present when called.

The applicant says that the application is for an expansion of his current business.

Mr. Morton says that Ald. Davis is in support of the application.

Grant by Ald. Kovac. Prevailed 5-0.

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

Aye 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

02 TURNER, Melvin, Agent for "Comfort Zone Entertainment Center, LLC", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance renewal applications for "Comfort Zone Entertainment Center" at 5526 W. Fond du Lac Avenue. (expires 11-4-09) Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 11075 W. Courtland Ave., Wauwatosa. Jane Turner, wife of the applicant and Sherman Morton, Legislative Aide to Ald. Joe Davis, also at the table.

No neighborhood objectors present when called.

Mr. Morton says that Ald. Davis is in support of the application.

Grant by Ald. Hamilton with a warning letter based on matters contained in the police report. Prevailed 5-0.

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

Aye 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

12 AGUILERA GARCIA, Jose, Junk Collector Truck application for "Eagle Scrap Metal" at 2646 S. 15th Street. New Location

Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 2646 S. 15th St.

No neighborhood objectors present when called.

Grant by Ald. Hamilton despite items contained in the notice. Prevailed 5-0.

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

Aye 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

01 RIZVI, Syed M.H., Agent for "Amara Petroleum, Inc.", Extended Hours
Establishment application for "Amara Petroleum" at 4057 N. Green Bay Avenue.
New Location
Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 5473 N. Shasta Drive, Glendale. Marvin Pratt also at the table as a consultant.

Mr. Pratt says that the applicant wants to amend his application to change the extended hours of operation from midnight to 5 a.m. to midnight to 3 a.m.

Ald. Zielinski moves to accept the request to amend the application to reflect extended hours of midnight to 3 a.m. Prevailed 5-0.

The applicant says that he has cameras inside the store, but not outside. He says that he can put cameras outside of the store if he is given enough time.

Ald. Hamilton says that he needs a better response to the issues, such as loitering, from the applicant.

Mr. Pratt requests that the committee hold the matter to the call of the chair.

Ald. Hamilton moves to hold to the call of the chair. Prevailed 5-0.

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

Aye 5 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

14 CAPPER, Timothy G., Agent for "MRC, LLC", Class "B" Tavern application for "Puddler's Hall" at 2461 S. St. Clair Street. Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 6822 W. Wells St.

No neighborhood objectors present when called.

Ald. Zielinski says that he has no objections.

Grant by Ald. Zielinski despite items contained in the notice. Prevailed 4-0. (Ald. Hamilton excused)

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

Aye 4 - Bohl, Coggs, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

Excused 1 - Hamilton

14 RADICEVIC, Branko, Agent for "Three Brothers Restaurant, LLC", Request for a permanent extension of the Class "B" premises for "Three Brothers Restaurant" at 2414 S. St. Clair Street to include an outdoor patio.

Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 2414 S. Sinclair St.

No neighborhood objectors present when called.

Ald. Zielinski says that there been no problems with the establishment.

Grant by Ald. Zielinski. Prevailed 4-0. (Ald. Hamilton excused)

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

Aye 4 - Bohl, Coggs, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

Excused 1 - Hamilton

14 JINKINS, Richard A., Agent for "Horny Goat Brewing Co.", Class "B" Tavern application for "Horny Goat Brewing" at 2011 S. 1st Street. Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 2017 Coldwatercreek Dr., Waukesha. Jim Sorenson, 3401 W. Five Mile Rd., Caledonia, also at the table.

No neighborhood objectors present when called.

Grant by Ald. Zielinski despite items contained in the notice. Prevailed 4-0. (Ald. Hamilton excused)

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

Aye 4 - Bohl, Coggs, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

Excused 1 - Hamilton

14 KARDARIS, John J., Agent for "Bay View Sports Bar, Inc.", Class "B" Tavern application for "Bay View Sports Bar" at 2327 S. Kinnickinnic Avenue. Special Letter

Applicant at the table, W131 S6925 Camilla Ct., Muskego.

Neighborhood objectors present:

Angela Brandon, 2329 S. Kinnickinnic Ave. #2, is concerned about increased noise and parking problems.

Nancy Sawyer, 453 E. Lincoln Ave., is opposed to the license due to concerns about parking and traffic problems and noise.

Neighborhood supporter present:

David Saldivar, 2325 S. Howell Ave. #1102, is in support of the establishment and thinks about the establishment is good for the neighborhood.

Mr. Kardaris says that his bar will not be for younger patrons and that there will be no loud music.

Ald. Zielinski says that the area needs to be revitalized and that he is in support of the application.

Grant by Ald. Zielinski despite items contained in the notice. Prevailed 3-0. (Ald. Coggs and Ald. Hamilton excused)

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

Aye 3 - Bohl, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

Excused 2 - Coggs and Hamilton

03 MUELLER, Jennifer A., Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance applications for "Circle A" at 932 E. Chambers Street. New Location Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 932 E. Chambers St. Warrick Seay, 932 E. Chambers St., previous owner of the establishment, also at the table.

No neighborhood objectors present when called.

Grant by Ald. Kovac. Prevailed 3-0. (Ald. Coggs and Ald. Hamilton excused)

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

Aye 3 - Bohl, Zielinski and Kovac

No 0

Excused 2 - Coggs and Hamilton

03 VIETH, JR, Steven J., Class "B" Tavern application and request for a permanent extension of premises to include a patio for "The New Smokey's" at 2425 N. Dousman Street.

Special Letter

Applicant at the table, 2244 N. Booth St.

Neighborhood objectors present:

Ralph Matula, 2424 N. Dousman St., is concerned about noise outside of the bar on the extended premises.

Ald. Kovac moves to make photos submitted by Mr. Matula part of the record. Prevailed 4-0. (ALd. Zielinski excused)

Lorraine Jacobs, 2412 N. Dousman St., says that there would be four bars within a two block area if this application were granted. There has also been a homicide a half-block from this establishment and she does not feel that adding another bar will make the area any safer. Currently the establishment doesn't seem to be an open business, but rather serves as a site for parties of the owner with his friends. Another concern is that parking is already tight in this area and, in winter, there is only one lane of traffic available in the street.

Daniel Vogel - 2562 N. Dousman - he was led to believe that this application was merely a patio extension, but he now knows this is an attempt to open this bar, which is between two houses. These bars do not add value to a neighborhood; they are vestiges of a long-ago past.

Ellen O'Grady - 2516 N. Dousman - she also does not support a fourth bar in two blocks.

John Yanasak - 2531 N. Dousman - also opposed to this establishment and severely affected by the murder of Mr. Nathan Potter in the area. This is an excellent opportunity to change this from the current four bars.

Amend the application to eliminate the permanent extension and grant the application as amended, by Ald. Kovac. Prevailed 3-1. (Ald. Bohl voting "no"; Ald. Zielinski excused)

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

Aye 3 - Coggs, Hamilton and Kovac

No 1 - Bohl

Excused 1 - Zielinski

03 WEMBER, Nicholas J., Agent for "Red Door Productions, LLC", Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance applications for "Mc Carthy's Bar" at 134 E. Juneau Avenue.

Special Letter

The applicant owned "The Eastsider" for eight years and is looking for open a pizza/beer establishment with the ability to do something creative with the tavern dance license - he wants to maintain the same, current license.

Daniel Herrbold - 1141 N. Edison St. - right across the street from the proposed establishment; he's president of the Riverhouse Row Houses - a complex of 22 condominiums. He has met with the applicant and come to an agreement that he will

follow the same agreement that was hammered out with Abby's Beer Cafe.

Make agreement provided by Mr. Herrbold part of the record, by Ald. Kovac. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Zielinski excused)(Exhibit 1)

Grant, by Ald. Hamilton Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Zielinski excused)

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

Aye 4 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton and Kovac

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

06 SARSOUR, Suhail J., Agent for "Reliable Money Order, Inc.", Precious Metals & Gems Dealer application for "Reliable Money Order" at 311 W. Locust Street.

New Location

Special Letter

Aladdin Nouri, 4295 S. Whitnall Ave., at the table. The applicant is not appearing.

Hold to the call of the chair as applicant not present, by Ald. Hamilton. Prevailed 3-0. (Ald. Kovac and Ald. Zielinski excused)

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

Aye 3 - Bohl, Coggs and Hamilton

No 0

Excused 2 - Zielinski and Kovac

06 MC COY, Rodney C., Class "B" Tavern and Tavern Dance applications with an age distinction of 25 years of age and older for "The New Groovin Inn" at 333 E. Hadley Street.

Special Letter

Make entire police report part of the record, by Ald. Hamilton. Prevailed. 3-0 (Ald. Kovac and Ald. Zielinski excused)

The applicant wants to create a laid-back atmosphere that caters to the middle-class, working clientele, not the riffraff. He wants to help the community out with some of the problems, not be one of the problems. He was in education for 10 years and has lived on the east side for 20 years.

Ald. Coggs says that she has heard concerns from neighbors about the Tavern Dance application. The applicant agrees to withdraw the Tavern Dance application.

Ald. Coggs moves to accept a withdrawal of the Tavern Dance portion of the application.

Ald. Coggs moves to make a plan of operation filed with her office part of the record. Prevailed 4-0. (Ald. Kovac excused) (Exhibit 1)

A letter to the applicant from the Community Liaison Officer submitted by Ald. Coggs part of the record. Prevailed 4-0. (Ald. Kovac excused) (Exhibit 2)

Sharon Austin, 2769 N. Buffum St., is in opposition to the license and does not want

another bar in the area.

Lisa Smith, 2768 N. Buffum St., is in opposition to the license due to concerns about noise and criminal activity.

Kyla Fernandez, 2737 N. Buffum St., does not think that the bar has been closed for a long enough time for the neighborhood to have recovered and that the bar reopening would not be good for the neighborhood.

Gordon Kaufert, 2765 N. Buffum St., is in opposition to the license.

Neighborhood supporter:

Emantha Peavey, 5051 N. 19th Place, former owner of the "Groovin' Inn". She says that she wants to sell the business and thinks that the applicant deserves a chance to open a bar at the location.

Mr. McCoy says that he will be willing to close down the bar is problems arise at the tavern.

Deny, by Ald. Coggs, based on neighborhood objections. Prevailed 4-0. (Ald. Zielinski excused)

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

Aye 4 - Bohl, Coggs, Hamilton and Kovac

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

Meeting recessed at 2:28 p.m. Staff Assistant Tobie Black