

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE
LICENSE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER

May 6, 2021

Commission Members Participating: Walter Shea, Chairman
Barbara Haller, Commissioner
Anthony Vigliotti, Commissioner

Commission Members Absent:

Staff Participating: Stephen Rolle, Planning & Regulatory Services
Lt. James Johnson, Worcester Police Department
Jennifer Beaton, Law Department
Deborah Steele, Planning & Regulatory Services

*Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 23, 2020 Order, as amended, imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Worcester License Commission will be conducted via **remote participation**.

The meeting will be livestreamed from the City Website at www.worcesterma.gov/video-on-demand and may be broadcast on the local government cable channel (Spectrum Channel 192). While no in-person attendance will be permitted, every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings. In addition, a video recording and meeting minutes will be posted at www.worcesterma.gov after the meeting.

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- Call **415-655-0001 (Access Code: 160 660 9360)** for the License Commission.

If you have difficulty accessing the call, please e-mail planning@worcesterma.gov.

Application materials may be viewed on the City Website at <http://www.worcesterma.gov/planning-regulatory/boards/license-commission>. For more information concerning this meeting, to request a reasonable accommodation or interpretation, or to **submit written comments** in advance of the meeting, please contact the Planning Division by email (preferred) at planning@worcesterma.gov or phone at (508) 799-1400 x 31440. Submission of comments in advance of the hearing is strongly encouraged. Note: interpretation requests must be received no later than 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

Minutes – April 29, 2021

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the minutes of April 29, 2021.

Common Victualer Requests

None

Liquor Application Requests

Alteration of Premises – Temporary Outdoor Dining (New)

1. OD-2021-008 – Acacia Grill, 1105 West Boylston Street (food only)

- Request for outdoor dining permit for 2 tables with 8 seats

Hours: Monday, Tuesday-Thursday, 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m., Friday, Saturday, 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m., Sunday, 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone the application to the May 13, 2021 License Commission meeting.

2. OD-2021-009 – McElwee, Inc. dba the Raven Pub, 258 Pleasant Street (food & alcohol)

- Request for outdoor dining permit for 4 tables and 32 seats

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday – 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Sunday, 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

Chris Bettencourt called in for the application. Mr. Bettencourt stated that he looking to put out 4 picnic tables. Mr. Bettencourt stated that Lt. Johnson had reviewed the outdoor area with him.

Mr. Rolle reminded Mr. Bettencourt that he needed to be in compliance with COVID-19 regulations.

Mr. Rolle stated that currently the hours are limited to 9:00 p.m. weekdays for the temporary outdoor permit and 10:00 p.m. weekends.

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the temporary outdoor dining permit with hours: Monday-Wednesday – 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Friday-Sunday-6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

List of Exhibit: Application for temporary outdoor dining received and dated May 3, 2021.

Parking Lot Applications

3. Edward Murphy, 15 Millbury Street

- Request for Parking Lot license for 15 spaces

Edward Murphy called in for the application. Mr. Murphy stated that staff had requested a landscaping strip be put in and Mr. Murphy stated that he will do that.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the parking lot license approved subject to landscaping being installed.

List of Exhibits: Parking Lot License application received and dated April 30, 2021.

4. Canal District Parking, LLC, 9 Langdon Street

- Request for Parking Lot license for 150 cars

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone the application to the May 13, 2021 License Commission meeting.

5. William J. Fay, 61 Myrtle Street

- Request for Parking Lot license for 60 cars

William J. Fay called in for the application. Mr. Fay stated that he is looking to do paid parking during baseball games if the need arises. He stated that he may not even do it as his own business is so busy but wants to make sure he has proper permit if he does decide to implement it.

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the parking lot license.

List of Exhibits: Parking Lot License application received and dated April 30, 2021.

Adjournment

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 a.m.