



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

Thursday, August 11, 2022

Commissioners Present: Walter Shea, Chair
Anthony Vigliotti, Commissioner

Commissioners Absent: Barbara Haller, Commissioner

Staff Present:
Sergeant Thomas Needham, Worcester Police Department
Alexandra Kalkounis, Law Department
Deborah Steele, Division of Planning & Regulatory Services

Call to Order – 10:00 a.m.

Minutes – July 14, 2022

Upon a motion made and duly seconded the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the minutes of July 14, 2022.

Common Victualer Requests

- 1. Helfand’s Deli, 143 Highland Street**
 - **Sunday – Saturday – 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Michael Sobel appeared upon behalf of the application. The Commission members and Mr. Sobel discussed how much seating the location would have.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the common victualer license.

List of Exhibits: Application for common victualer license received and dated July 29, 2022.

- 2. Ziggy Bombs, 72 Franklin Street**
 - **Sunday – Saturday – 11:00 a.m. – Midnight**

Mike Devish appeared upon behalf of the application.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the common victualer license.

List of Exhibits: Application for common victualer license received and dated August 4, 2022.

3. WPI South Village, 44 West Street

- **Monday-Friday – 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 10:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Joe Kraskouskas appeared upon behalf of the application. He stated that WPI will be looking to house 200 students in the area so they will be reopening cafeteria and they are looking to open August 20.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the common victualer license.

List of Exhibits: Application for common victualer license received and dated August 8, 2022.

One Day Liquor & Entertainment Requests

4. Worcester Public Library Foundation, 3 Salem Square

Request for one day liquor license

- **Thursday-September 22, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Christine Murray, participating remotely, stated that this is for their annual meeting and they expect 60-80 people and will have a custodian and security guard on duty.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day liquor license received and dated July 13, 2022.

5. Jeremy O’Neil, Oneail FX Studios, LLC, 100 Barber Avenue

Request for one day liquor license

- **Saturday - September 10, 2022**

Jeremy O’Neil appeared on behalf of the application and stated that this will be for their masked ball which they have done in the past. He stated that the hours are 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. and security will be present for the event.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day liquor license received and dated July 12, 2022.

6. Dean Stamoulis, Temple Emmanuel Sinai, 661 Salisbury Street

Request for one day liquor license

- **Saturday – August 27, 2022-4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

No one appeared for item.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day liquor license received and dated August 4, 2022.

7. Worcester Hibernian Cultural Foundation, 19 Temple Street

Request for one day liquor license

Request for one day entertainment license for live music

- **Saturday – September 10, 2022 – 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Brendan Moran, participating remotely, stated that this is for their annual 5k and they will have police details and security present.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor and one day entertainment licenses.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day liquor and entertainment license received and dated July 19, 2022.

8. Leila Jachimczyk, 118 Green Street

Request to amend previously approved one day entertainment license to add polka band and live music for Polish Fest

- **Saturday – August 27, 2022 – 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Julie Sargentelli, participating remotely, stated that she would just like to add a polka band to their previous request for one day entertainment license.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the amendment.

List of Exhibits: Email dated/received July 19, 2022.

9. Crompton Park Festival, Crompton Park

Request for one day entertainment license for live music, dancing by entertainers, amplification system

- **Saturday – August 27, 2022 (rain date August 26, 2022), 2:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m.**

A representative from the Creative Hub, participated remotely for the item. He stated that they are expecting about 750 people for the event and security will be present.

Upon a motion made and duly seconded the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day entertainment license.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day entertainment license dated and received July 26, 2022.

10. Kimberly Gordon, 333 Shrewsbury Street

Request for one day liquor license

Request for one day entertainment license for dancing by entertainers, recorded music, live music

- **Saturday – August 27, 2022 – 1:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

Kim Gordon, events directors from Redemption Rock, participated remotely stated that this is for their 2nd annual block party and that they will have live music and 400 people are expected and two police details have been hired for the event.

The Commission members suggested that Ms. Gordon may want to reach out to her neighbors informing them of the event to ensure that there will be no impeding emergency access to neighboring business if something should occur.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor and entertainment licenses.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day liquor/entertainment licenses dated and received July 25, 2022.

11. All in Together Now, 180 Shrewsbury Street

Request for one day entertainment license for dancing by patrons, live music, dancing by entertainers, amplification system

- **Saturday – August 13, 2022-11:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m.**

Angel Geronimo, participating remotely, stated that this is for the Hip Cross Congress dance competition and 150-250 expected throughout entire event.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day entertainment license.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day entertainment license received and dated July 29, 2022.

12. Brazilian Festival of Worcester, Institute Park

Request for one day entertainment license for live music, amplification system

- **Sunday-September 18, 2022 – 10:00 a.m. -7:00 p.m.**

Suley DiBara, participating remotely, stated that this will be for the Brazilian Festival and that police details will be hired for the event.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day entertainment license.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day entertainment license received and dated July 1, 2022.

13. Worcester's 30th Annual Latin American Festival, Worcester Common

Request for entertainment license for live music, dancing by entertainers, amplification system

- **Saturday-August 20, 2022 – 11:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.**

Tina Velazques from Centro Las Americas appeared upon behalf of the application. She stated that they expect 1,000 to 7,000 people throughout the day and will have police details for the event.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day entertainment license.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day entertainment license received and dated August 2, 2022.

14. H.2.0, 3 Salem Square

Request for one day entertainment license for jukebox, radio

- **Sunday – August 14, 2022 (rain date August 28, 2022) 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Miguel Pabon appeared upon behalf of the application. He stated that he expecting about 500 spectators and there will be food vendors and he will hire two police details.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day entertainment license.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day entertainment license received and dated August 5, 2022.

15. Color the City Festival, Worcester Common

Request for one day entertainment license for jukebox, dancing by patrons, live music, dancing by entertainers, record music, and amplification system

- **Friday – August 12, 2022 (rain date August 19, 2022) 5:00 p.m. -9:00 p.m.**

Claudia Bastante appeared upon behalf of the item. She stated that this will be for a youth festival at the common and they are expecting about 1,000 to 1,500 people and will have a police detail.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day entertainment license.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day entertainment license received and dated August 2, 2022.

16. Chartwells at WPI, 100 Institute Road

Request for one day liquor license

- **Saturday October 1, 2022 – 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Alden Hall)**
- **Saturday October 1, 2022 – 5:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. (Quad WPI)**

Khalid Kharaci, participating remotely, stated that this is for a homecoming event and they will hire WPI police details.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the two one day liquor licenses.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day liquor license received and dated August 8, 2022.

Liquor & Entertainment Application Requests

17. Sodexho Operations LLC, 2 Maywood Street

- **Request for change of manager**

Debby Rowles, participating remotely, stated that this is for a change of manager at the location.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the change of manager.

List of Exhibits: Application for change of manager received and dated August 4, 2022.

18. Tang's Horizon Inc. dba Nancy Chang Restaurant, 372 Chandler Street

- **Request to amend entertainment license to add trivia**

Wenshu Tang appeared upon behalf of the application and stated he would like to add trivia to his entertainment license.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day entertainment license amendment.

List of Exhibits: Application to amend entertainment license received and dated July 15, 2022.

19. The Hangover Corporation, 102-112 Green Street

- **Request for change of manager**

Attorney Marshall Gould and Michael Arrarista appeared upon behalf of the application.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the change of manager.

List of Exhibits: Application for change of manager received and dated July 8, 2022.

20. Justin Kazmierczak dba Stogotz Tapas Restaurant and Piano Lounge, 120 Stafford Street

- **Request for restaurant all alcohol license**
- **Request for common victualer license**
- **Request for entertainment license for jukebox, dancing by patrons, live music, tv, radio, karaoke, light show**

Justin Kazmierczak appeared upon behalf of the application.

Chairman Shea stated that the Commission members had view the site prior to the meeting.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve;

- Request for restaurant all alcohol license
- Request for common victualer license
- Request for entertainment license for jukebox, dancing by patrons, live music, tv, radio, karaoke, light show

List of Exhibits: Application for restaurant all alcohol license, common victualer license and entertainment license received and dated June 28, 2022.

21. Bacalao Restaurant, In c., 703 Main Street

- **Request for restaurant malt & wine license**
- **Request for common victualer license**

Femi Aina, participating remotely, on behalf of his client stated that they were looking to apply for beer and wine license for the small restaurant and it not a very large restaurant and majority of business take out.

Chairman Shea stated that the Commission had view the premises prior to the meeting.

Mr. Aina stated that the hours would be 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve;

- Request for restaurant malt & wine license
- Request for common victualer license
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List of Exhibits: Application for restaurant malt & wine and common victualer license received and dated August 3, 2022.

22. Gupta’s Sons Corporation dba Lucky Farms Variety Store, 759 Grafton Street

- **Request for package store malt & wine license**

Upon a motion made and duly seconded the Commission voted 2-0 to postpone the application to the September 8, 2022 License Commission meeting.

23. 508 Pizza LLC dba Uno Chicago Bar & Grill, 25 Major Taylor Boulevard

- **Request for transfer of innholder all alcohol license from Riverfront Food Service Corp dba Uno Chicago Grill**
- **Request for common victualer license**
- **Request for entertainment license for tv, live music**

Attorney Andrew LeBlanc, participating remotely, stated that his client is looking to transfer the current licenses at this location.

List of Exhibits: Application for transfer of innholder all alcohol license, common victualer license and entertainment license received and dated July 7, 2022.

24. Jusstevin Inc. dba 266 Park Avenue

- **Request for restaurant all alcohol license with outside patio**
- **Request for common victualer license**

Chairman Shea stated that the Commissioners had view the site prior to the meeting. The applicant was present for the beginning of the meeting but was not present when the item was called.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to postpone the applications to the September 8, 2022 License Commission meeting.

25. Paku Corporation, 215 Chandler Street

- **Request for change of officers/directors/llc members**
- **Request for change of manager**

Yarizbeth Guzman along with Maria Rivera appeared upon behalf of the application. Ms. Guzman stated that Ms. Rivera will be taking over location after the current suspension ends in September for current owner and will be making some changes regarding the operations and hours.

Chairman Shea stated that the patio issue still needs to be resolved and the Commission is very concerned about the incidents that have happened at location.

Ms. Guzman stated that there will be changes under Ms. Rivera.

The Commission and Ms. Guzman discussed the timing of the end of the suspension and time line for approval from the state. The Commission agreed to approve the proposed application with condition that Ms. Guzman and her client come back to the September 8, 2022 License Commission meeting with a plan of operation for the business.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the change officers/directors and change of manager.

List of Exhibits: Application for change officers/directors/change of manager received and dated August 5, 2022.

26. C.M & Family LLC dba Wicked Wings, 321 West Boylston Street

- **Request for transfer of restaurant all alcohol license from A&N Restaurant, Inc.**

Attorney Dan Cotton along with Jennifer Cardenas appeared upon behalf of the application.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the transfer of the restaurant all alcohol license.

List of Exhibits: Application for transfer of restaurant all alcohol license received and dated July 27, 2022.

27. Assumption University – Hagan Campus Center, 500 Salisbury Street

- **Request for general on premises all alcohol license**
- **Request for common victualer license**

Attorney Michael Rubino appeared upon behalf of the application.

Chairman Shea stated that the Commission members had done a view prior to the meeting.

Mr. Rubino, Commission members and staff discussed the security and use of scanner at location.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the general on premises all alcohol license and common victualer license subject to location purchasing a scanner.

List of Exhibits: Application for general on premises all alcohol license and common victualer license received and dated July 22, 2022.

28. Neon Beverage, LLC, 75 Quisigamond Avenue

- **Request for package store malt & wine license**

Upon a motion made and duly seconded the Commission voted 2-0 to postpone the application to the September 8, 2022 License Commission meeting.

29. CC&R District, LLC, 90 Harding Street

- **Request to amend entertainment license to add tv, recorded music, live music, amplification system karaoke (indoors and outdoors)**

Dan Jordan appeared upon behalf of the application.

The Commission reviewed the application and stated that they would approve with no live entertainment after ten.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the amendment to the entertainment license.

List of Exhibits: Application for amendment entertainment license received and dated August 5, 2022.

30. LTS Entertainment Inc. dba Freeplay Bar Arcade, 25 Union Street

- **Request to amend entertainment license to add, dj, tv, radio, dancing by patrons, dancing by entertainers, recorded music, live music, amplification system, play, floor show, theatrical exhibition and karaoke (indoors and outdoors)**

Anthony Santuri appeared upon behalf of the application. He stated that he has just completed the patio and it is enclosed with an eight foot fence and he like to have entertainment in the outside area.

The Commission members, staff and Mr. Santuri discussed the fact that MCPHS's dormitory is nearby and had concerns about sound. Mr. Santuri stated that he is aware of the noise level and will keep an eye on it and there any noise complaints he purchase a decibel meter and he willing to just go to 12:30 a.m. now and if all goes well he come back and ask to extend to 1:00 a.m.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the amended entertainment with condition that outside entertainment ends at 12:30 a.m.

List of Exhibits: Application to amend entertainment license received and dated August 8, 2022.

Request for Temporary Outdoor Dining

31. Shawarma Palace, 20 Franklin Street- OD-2022-004/SW-2022-011

- **Request for temporary outdoor dining for 3 tables with 6 seats
Monday –Friday-10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Saturday-10:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.**

Charles Dalli appeared upon behalf of the application. He stated that the would like to amend the hours to;

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, - 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Thursday-10:00 a.m. -7:00 p.m, Friday- 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Saturday-10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the temporary outdoor dining.

List of Exhibits: Application for temporary outdoor dining received and dated August 3, 2022.

Hearings

None

Other Business

32. Jolo Inc. dba Hurricane Betty's, 350 Southbridge Street Request to remove patio restriction condition from the license

Joseph O'Grady, Pat Scorzelli and Sean Bryan appeared upon behalf of the item.

Mr. O'Grady stated that they would like to have the restriction not to use the patio removed from their license and that after their violation hearing they followed all the stipulations the Commission had requested.

Chairman Shea and Commissioner Vigliotti stated that they had concerns that were was a shooting out in the patio and if they lift the restriction on the patio there will be conditions.

1. That there would need to be security in the patio area whenever it open.
2. That the fence for the patio area be extended in height.

3. That cameras in the patio area look down into patio area so patio area can be full seen.
4. That no entertainers be in the outside patio area.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to remove the patio restrictions with the following conditions;

1. That there would need to be security in the patio area whenever it open.
2. That the fence for the patio area be extended in height.
3. That cameras in the patio area look down into patio area so patio area can be full seen.
4. That no entertainers be in the outside patio area.

Communications

Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission-Seminar September 15, 2022- 10:00 a.m. – Esther Howland Chambers, 3rd floor, City Hall. – Filed

Adjournment

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 a.m.