MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE LICENSE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER OCTOBER 9, 2020

Commission Members Participating:	Walter Shea, Chairman
	Anthony Vigliotti, Commissioner
	Barbara Haller, Commissioner
Commission Members Absent:	None
Staff Participating:	Stephen Rolle, Planning & Regulatory Services
	Lt. James Johnson Worcester Police Department
	Alexandra Kalkounis, 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.

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For more information concerning this meeting or to submit written comments in advance of the hearing, please contact the Planning Division by email (preferred) at <u>planning@worcesterma.gov</u> or phone at (508) 799-1400 x 31440. Submission of comments in advance of the hearing is strongly encouraged.

Call to Order – 10:00 am

Minutes

New Business

1. License Commission Temporary Outdoor Dining -Rules and Regulations

- 2. Program Implementation Updates
- 3. Worcester Canal District Streatery Pilot Demonstration Program

Alteration of Premises – Temporary Outdoor Dining/Sidewalk Cafe (New)

1.	Lock 50 Inc. dba Lock 50	50 Water Street
2.	Matthew Addi LLC dba Maddi's	64 Water Street
3.	EFR Enterprises LLC dba Russo's	65 Water Street
4.	Bay State Shawarma and Grill	86 Water Street
5.	Broadway Catering & Restaurant	100 Water Street
6.	OneZo Worcester	129 Water Street
7.	Suzette Creperie	126 Water Street

Mr. Rolle gave a brief overview of the new Streatery Pilot Program.

The program is being funded through a MassDot grant and the purpose of the grant is to test "Streateries" which are on street parking spaces converted for outdoor dining use. The purpose is to provide additional space for outdoor dining, improve the public realm and to support local businesses.

Mr. Rolle stated that OneZo Worcester and Suzette Creperie would not be part of today's discussion.

The city will convert the spaces and provide equipment to create the temporary installations which is planned through November 15th of this year weather permitting.

The program will be evaluated to determine the feasibility as a permanent (seasonal) program beginning next spring.

Commissioner Haller and Vigliotti expressed concern about noise from the outdoor dining and asked that effort be put into ways the public could register complaints if any arise.

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to extend the temporary outdoor dining for;

Lock 50, dba Lock 50, 50 Water Street Matthew Addi LLC dba Maddi's, 64 Water Street EFR Enterprises LLC dba Russo's, 65 Water Street Broadway Catering & Restaurant, 100 Water Street

Upon a roll all the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the new outdoor temporary dining for;

Bay State Shawarma and Grill, 86 Water Street

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 a.m.