

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE
LICENSE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER
FEBRUARY 20, 2014

ESTHER HOWLAND CHAMBERS

Commission Members Present: Paul Mullan, Commissioner
Anthony Salvidio, Commissioner

Commission Members Absent: Karon Shea, Chairperson

Staff Present: Deborah Steele, Planning & Regulatory Services
Lt. James Johnson, Worcester Police Department
Alexandra Haralambous, Law Department
James Foley, Inspectional Services

Call to Order

Approval of the Minutes – 2/6/2014

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the minutes of February 6, 2014

1. Petition: Request for one day liquor license – March 1, 2014 -7:30 p.m. – 12:30 a.m.

Petitioner: St. George Cathedral, 30 Anna Street

Judy Shaughnessy appeared on behalf of the petition. She stated they expect around 400 to 450 people and three police officers have been hired for event.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor license for St. George Cathedral.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license received on February 3, 2014 and dated February 3, 2014.

2. Petition: Request for one day liquor licenses

March 9, 2014, 1:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m., April 4, 2014, 6:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m., May 9, 2014, 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.-

Petitioner: Chartwells, 10 Lincoln Square

Kristi DeCiscero appeared on behalf of the applications. She stated these will be for several events at the Massachusetts Pharmacy College.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the three one day liquor licenses for Chartwells.

Exhibit A: Application for one day license received on February 3, 2014 and dated February 3, 2014.

3. Petitioner: Habitat for Humanity, 11 Distributor Road
Petition: Request for two day liquor license – March 9, 2014,
10:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m., September 27, 2014

Ms. Steele stated the applicant had withdrawn the applications.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license received January 27, 2014 and dated January 27, 2014.

4. Petitioner: Stephen Hopkins, 266 Park Avenue
Petition: Request for one day liquor license – March 1, 2014,
10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Stephen Hopkins appeared on behalf of the application. He stated this event will be for the St. Patrick Day Parade and he was planning on hiring four off duty police officers.

Lt. Johnson stated there had been problems last year at this location and he would recommend six police officers plus an official.

Commissioner Mullan asked how many officers were hired last year. Mr. Hopkins responded five.

Commissioner Mullan stated he understood the concerns of the police but did not want to over burden the license holder as this location is at the busiest intersection during the parade.

Lt. Johnson stated there should be at least five plus an official for the event.

Mr. Hopkins stated he closes his outdoor venue by 4:00 p.m. and it is other establishments that stay open past five that cause problems.

Commissioner Salvidio made the motion that the one day event be approved with the condition of five police officers plus an official. On a roll call the one day license was approved.

Exhibit A: Application for one day license received February 4, 2014 and dated February 4, 2014.

5. Petitioner: St. Spyridon Cathedral, 102 Russell Street
Petition: Request for one day liquor license – March 9, 2014,
11:00 a.m. -6:00 p.m.

Dimitrios Economou appeared on behalf of the application. He stated it will be for an event at church.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day license for St. Spyridon Cathedral.

Exhibit A: Application for one day license received January 30, 2014 and dated January 30, 2014.

6. Petitioner: Nicole Brouillette, 433 Park Avenue-APPROVED

Petition: Request for one day liquor license – March 9, 2014

Nicole Brouillette appeared on behalf of the application and stated this event will be for parade and she has hired a police detail.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day license for Nicole Brouillette.

Exhibit A: Application for one day license received on February 3, 2014 and dated February 3, 2014.

7. Petitioner: John Bartosiewicz, 413 Park Avenue

Petition: Request for one day liquor license – March 9, 2014

John Bartowicz appeared on behalf of the application. He stated this event will be or the St. Patrick's Day parade and he has increased security this year.

Lt. Johnson asked how many details were going to be hired. Mr. Bartowicz stated three.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day license for Mr. Bartowicz.

Exhibit A: Application for one day license received on February 3, 2014 and dated February 3, 2014.

Common Victualer – Food Only:

8. Petition: Request for common victualer license

Petitioner: Hoang Gia Place, 179 Millbury Street

Brendan Van Ly appeared on behalf of application. Mr. Ly stated this restaurant will serve Vietnamese food and be open for lunch and dinner.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the common victualer license for Hoang Gia Place.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license received on January 31, 2014 and dated January 31, 2014.

9. Petition: Request for common victualer license

Petitioner: The Brick Oven Pizza Factory, 75 Maywood Street

Mikayel Balzan appeared on behalf of the application. He stated he is taking over an existing pizza restaurant.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the common victualer license for The Brick Oven Pizza Factory.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license received on February 5, 2014 and dated February 5, 2014.

10. Petition: Request for common victualer license

Petitioner: The Breakfast Bar, 119 June Street

Henry Castillo appeared on behalf of the application. He stated this restaurant will be open for breakfast and lunch.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the common victualer license for The Breakfast Bar.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license received on February 4, 2014 and dated February 4, 2014.

11. Petition: Request for common victualer license

Petitioner: Honey Dew Operations, 1181 West Boylston Street-

Hashwah Patel appeared on behalf of the application. He stated he will be taking of the Honey Dew located on 1181 West Boylston Street.

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

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license received on February 11, 2014 and dated February 11, 2014.

Alcohol & Entertainment Permit Applications:

12. Petition: Request for change in corporate name & change of manager

Petitioner: Lisa Tiscione Rodriguez, Blackstone Pizza & Grill, 102 Green Street-

Lisa Tiscione Rodriguez and Yussef Nazer appeared on behalf of the application.

Ms. Rodriguez stated they are doing change in corporate name and changing the manager to Mr. Nazer.

Commissioner Mullan stated that the Commission had this establishment in for a violation a few months ago and reminded Mr. Nazer that he is now the manager of the premises and as such is responsible to ensure that violations do not occur at the establishment.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the change of corporate name and change of manager.

Exhibit A: Application for change of corporate name and change of manager received on January 30, 2014 and dated January 30, 2014.

Petition: Request for transfer of restaurant all alcohol license

13. Petitioner: Asian International LLC, 91 Stafford Street,
Mansour Tony Gaval

Mansour Tony Gaval appeared on behalf of the application. He stated he will be taking over this restaurant and will be selling alcohol.

Ms. Steele asked if the Commission could ask the applicant about the downstairs function room as police have had issues with function room in the past.

Mr. Gaval told the Commission he plans to rent out the function room for parties and the room will be part of his license.

Commissioner Mullan reminded the applicant that if he plans to use the function room that he is responsible for events held there and other people cannot come in and sell there. Mr. Gaval stated he understood that.

Lt. Johnson stated he was unable to finish the background check on the manager but if the Commission could approve the license subject to the completion of that paperwork very shortly.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the transfer of license subject to the Worcester Police background check being completed.

Exhibit A: Application for transfer of license received January 29, 2014 and dated January 29, 2014.

14. Petition: Request for Pledge of License

Petitioner: OM Harsh Corporation dba A&B Liquors, 110 McKeon Road

Govin Patel appeared on behalf of the application. He stated that they had done a transfer and pledge of license a few months back and now they are changing the pledge to a different bank.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the pledge of license.

Exhibit A: Application for pledge of license received on January 30, 2014 and dated January 30, 2014.

Other Business

15. Fusion Entertainment, 2 Washington Square – Status of license-filed

Adjournment

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 a.m.