MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE LICENSE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER DECEMBER 1, 2016

ESTHER HOWLAND CHAMBER

Commission Members Present:	Karon Shea, Chairperson
	Anthony Salvidio, Commissioner
	Walter Shea, Commissioner
Commission Members Absent:	
Staff Present:	

Deborah Steele, Planning & Regulatory Services
Alexandra Kalkounis, Law Department
James Foley, Inspectional Services
Lt. James Johnson, Worcester Police Department
Lt. Kevin Vescera, Fire Prevention
Lt. Jeffrey Dubeau, Fire Prevention

<u>Approval of the Minutes</u> – October 13, 2016—Not available.

November 10, 2016-Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the minutes of November 10, 2016.

NEW BUSINESS

I Special One Day Liquor & Entertainment Requests

I-1: Petitioner: St. Joan of Arc Church, 570 Lincoln Street

Request for one day liquor license

• December 10, 2016-5:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

Catherine O'Rourke appeared on behalf of the application. She stated that this event is for a Christmas party.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license received October 27, 2016 and dated October 27, 2016.

I-2: Petitioner: St. Spyridon Cathedral – 102 Russell Street

Request for one day liquor license

- December 18, 2016-3:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
- January 28, 2017-5:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m.

Michael Dionis appeared on behalf of the application. Mr. Dionis stated that the first event is for a baptism and the second event is the St. Patrick Grand Marshal banquet.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the two one day licenses.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license received November 9, 2016 and dated November 9, 2016.

I-3: Petitioner: Struck Catering, 725 Southbridge Street

Request for one day liquor license

• January 10, 2017-5:00 p.m.-8:45 p.m.

Barbara Cotter appeared on behalf of the application. She stated that this is for an employee party at Rotmans.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license received December 21, 2016 and dated December 21, 2016.

II Common Victualer Requests

II-1 Petitioner: Asian Market, 256 Grafton Street

• Request for common victualer license

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the common victualer license.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license received December 18, 2016 and dated December 18, 2016.

II-2: Petitioner: Zoup, 375 Main Street

• Request for common victualer license

Mark Fox appeared on behalf of the application. He stated that this is a franchisee and they are now locating in Worcester as they love the direction Worcester is going.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the common victualer license.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license received November 22, 2016 and dated November 22, 2016.

III Liquor & Entertainment Requests

III-1: Petitioner: Worcester Art Museum, 55 Salisbury Street

• Request for change of manager

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the change of manager.

Exhibit A: Application for change of manager received November 5, 2016 and dated November 5, 2016.

III-2: Plaza Azteca Lincoln Plaza. LLC, 539 Lincoln Street

• Request for change of manager

Camille Janice Garcia appeared on behalf of the application.

Lt. Johnson stated that there was no problem with the background check but reminded Ms. Garcia that in the future if a manager leaves the change of manager application must be filed immediately.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the change of manager.

Exhibit A: Application for change of manager received October 27, 2016 and dated October 27, 2016.

- **III-3:** Petitioner: GMRI, Inc. dba The Olive Garden Italian Restaurant, 7 Tobias Boland Way
 - Request for change of manager

John Baillie appeared on behalf of the application.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the change of manager.

Exhibit A: Application for change of manager received November 14, 2016 and dated November 14, 2016.

III-4: Petitioner: Fusion, LLC, 2 Washington Square

• Request for change of manager and change of dba

Zlifkar Ezzeddine appeared on behalf of the application.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the change of manager.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the change of dba.

Exhibit A: Application for change of manager and change of dba received November 15, 2016 and dated November 15, 2016.

III-5: Petitioner: Tarboush Hookah Lounge, 1 Blackstone River Road

• Request for entertainment license for tv, dancing by entertainers, recorded music, live music, moving picture show

Maan Tayek appeared on behalf of the application.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the entertainment license.

Exhibit A: Application for entertainment license received November 14, 2016 and dated November 14, 2016.

III-6: Petitioner: 4th and 1 Club, 7 Muskeego Street

- Request for entertainment license for jukebox, tv, dancing by patrons, live music, karaoke on occasion
- Request for one pool table license

William Ferraco appeared on behalf of the application.

Lt. Johnson reminded the applicant that they cannot block the street as they have received some complaints regarding that.

Chair Shea asked if any of the entertainment was outside. Mr. Ferraco stated no.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the entertainment license.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the pool table license.

Exhibit A: Application for entertainment license and one pool table received December 8, 2016 and dated December 8, 2016.

III-7: Petitioner: Makao Restaurant and Bar, 181 Millbury Street

• Request for entertainment license for jukebox, tv, radio, amplification system, karaoke

Claribel Ramos and Antonio Bonilla appeared on behalf of the application.

Staff reminded the Commission that the liquor license at this Licensed Premises has condition that establishment must close by 10:00 p.m.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the entertainment license with condition that entertainment must end by 10:00 p.m.

Exhibit A: Application for entertainment license received November 14, 2016 and dated November 14, 2016.

III-8: Petitioner: Paku Paku, Inc., 215 Chandler Street

• Request for restaurant all alcohol license

Attorney Dan Cotton along with the applicants, Hui Zhao and Sheng Zhao appeared on behalf of the application.

The Commission stated that they had viewed the premises with the police prior to the meeting and it is very nice but there are two conditions in order to approve the license. 1. Storage for alcohol the internal door needs to be reinforced as right now it only a flimsy wood door and must be dead bolted and the manager must obtain a server training certificate.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the restaurant all alcohol license with conditions as stated.

Exhibit A: Application for restaurant all alcohol license received November 10, 2016 and dated November 10, 2016.

III-9: Petitioner: RDC Beer & Wine, Inc., 50 Cambridge Street

• Request for alteration of premises to include the entire retail area with sale of beer and wine to occur at existing registers

Attorney James O'Brien along with Jay West appeared on behalf of the application. Attorney O'Brien stated that this is a request to sell alcohol through all the registers at Price Chopper to help with the flow of customers and they are fully cooperative with Price Chopper and there is no money being paid to Price Chopper for this service.

Chair Shea asked if they just asking to go through the registers. Attorney O'Brien stated yes.

Commissioner Salvidio asked for clarification as to request is to go through all Price Chopper registers. Attorney O'Brien stated yes.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the alteration of premises.

Exhibit A: application for alteration of premises received November 9, 2016 and dated November 9, 2016.

IV Violations

None

V Other Business

• Request to remain open to 3:00 a.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Yaris Polanco along with Yakiris Campenchano appeared on behalf of the item.

Ms. Polanco stated that her client Ms. Campenchano wished to open later hours on the weekend when they first put in petition but now they have reviewed it and they would like to open every day instead of just weekends as they are getting a lot of clients that are coming from outside of Worcester from a staffing company and they are looking for a Spanish place to eat and they would like to offer that to their community.

Chair Shea asked what was the capacity of the restaurant. Ms. Palanco stated 24.

Commissioner Salvidio stated that after 2:00 a.m. all the bars get out and if there is a problem the license holder will be back before the Commission.

Lt. Johnson stated that he has problem with this being on the weekend and wouldn't have a problem if it was during the weekday.

Commissioner Salvidio stated that they could try it out during the week and if they still interested in the weekends they could come back at a later time before the Commission.

Lt. Johnson suggested Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday to try it out.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the opening to 3:00 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Exhibit A: Electronic communication requesting change of hours received November 15, 2016.

Communications

ADJOURNMENT

ABCC Hearing notice: Union Properties – Hearing date February 21, 2017-Sale to person under 21.

ABCC hearing notice: Jasmat Corporation dba Mahoney's, Hearing date February 7, 2017-Sale to person under 21 (3 counts)