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

JULY 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 was conducted via remote participation.

Call to Order: 10:00 a.m.

New Business

Item #7 was taken out of order and heard first.

Alteration of Premises - Temporary Outdoor Dining

1. OD-2020-062 – The Hanover Theatre for Performing Arts, 2 Southbridge Street

SW-2020-024 - Sidewalk Dining - Southbridge St/Carroll Plaza

David MacArthur, Director of Operations, called in for the item.

Proposal was as follows: Outdoor dining area in Francis R. Caroll Plaza at junction of Main and Southbridge Streets. 120 seats with 24 tables.

Hours of Operation: June 11, 2020: 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the Temporary Outdoor Dining application.

2. OD-2020-090 Taco Caliente, 226 Chandler Street

No one called in for the item.

Proposal was as follows: Common victulaer (non-pouring) outdoor dining area in parking lot south of building. 18 seats with 3 tables.

Hours of Operation: Sunday & Monday: Noon–10:00 p.m., Tuesday–Saturday: 9:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the temporary outdoor dining permit.

3. OD-2020-091 Suzette Creperie, 126 Water Street (aka 215 Harding Street)

SW-2020-039 – Sidewalk Dining – Water Street

Jean Luc Wittner called in for the application.

Proposal was as follows: Common victualer (non-pouring) license. Outdoor dining area on sidewalk on northwest side of Water Street, extending from the building entrance, southwest, terminating before the nearest fire hydrant.

Hours of Operation: Monday–Thursday: 11:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.; Friday: 11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.; Saturday: 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m., Sunday: 9 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the temporary outdoor dining application.

4. OD-2020-092 Chick-Fil-A, 80 Gold Star Boulevard (aka 32 Millbrook Street)

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to allow for Leave to Withdraw for the application.

5. OD-2020-093 – Worcester Public Market, 160 Green Street

SW-2020-040 – Sidewalk Dining – Green Street

Allen Fletcher and Domenic Mercurio called in for the item.

Proposal was as follows: Common victualer (non-pouring) license. Outdoor dining area on sidewalk on east side of Green Street, west of the building, 32 seats with 8 tables with 4 tables north of the primary Green Street entrance and 4 south of the primary Green Street entrance.

Hours of Operation: Thursday–Sunday: 11:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the temporary outdoor dining application.

6. OD-2020-074 Pampas Steak House, 145 East Central Street

SW-2020-029 Sidewalk Dining – East Central Street

No one called in for the item.

Mr. Rolle stated that this will be for sidewalk dining only in front of the restaurant. He stated that the application states BYOB but that would not be allowed on the public sidewalk.

Lt. Johnson stated that they have had problems in the past at this location.

Commissioner Haller stated that she had concerns about the application and would like the applicant on the line so the concerns could be discussed.

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to continue the item.

Other Business

7. Lodging House Update

Karyn Clark, Director of Public Health and Amanda Wilson from Inspectional Services gave a brief overview of public health requirements for lodging houses during COVID-19.

- 8. Temporary Outdoor Dining Implementation Updates No updates
- 9. License Commission Temporary Outdoor Dining Rules and Regulations No updates

Adjournment

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 3-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:58 a.m.