

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

Thursday - March 10, 2022

Commissioners Present: Walter Shea, Chair

Barbara Haller, Commissioner

Commissioners Absent: Anthony Vigliotti, Commissioner

Staff Present:

Sergeant Thomas Needham, Worcester Police Department Deborah Steele, Division of Planning & Regulatory Services

Views

None

Call to Order – 10:00 a.m.

Minutes – February 24, 2022

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the minutes of February 24, 2022.

Common Victualer Requests

1. Cali-Burritos Burrito Grill, 394 Belmont Street

• Request for common victualer license Monday – Sunday – 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Francisco Morales appeared for the item. Mr. Morales reviewed the hours for the business.

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

List of Exhibits: Application for common victualer received and dated February 28, 2022.

2. Momo Palace, LLC, 142B Highland Street

Request for common victualer license

Monday - Sunday - 11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Tanuj Neupane appeared for the item and reviewed the concept for the business and hours.

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 February 28, 2022.

3. Papa George's, 351 June Street

Request for common victualer license
Monday-Sunday – 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Foel Grillo appeared for the item and reviewed the hours for the business.

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 March 1, 2022.

4. Lucky's Café, LLC, 10 Chestnut Street

Request for common victualer license
Monday – Sunday – 7:00 a.m. -11:00 p.m.

Peter Armer appeared upon behalf of the application. Mr. Armer will be relocating from his current location on Grove Street to 10 Chestnut Street.

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 March 1, 2022.

5. Shabby Gourmet Juices, 2 Washington Square #102A-Union Station

Request for common victualer license
Monday – Friday – 5:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday- 6:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Deborah Martin called in for the application. She stated that she will be located inside Union Station.

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 March 4, 2022.

6. Lara Deli, 66 Vernon Street

Request for common victualer license
Monday – Sunday – 10:00 am – 10:00 pm

No one appeared or called in for the meeting. Staff stated that applicant had passed the background check but would need final inspections.

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

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

One Day Liquor & Entertainment Requests

7. Stacey Blanchette, 1051 Main Street

Request for one day liquor license

Request for one day entertainment license for live music (outside)

• Sunday – March 13, 2022 – 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Stacey Blanchette, participating remotely, stated that she had met with Sgt Needham at the site and she will no longer be asking for outside entertainment but would like to have alcohol outside but it would only be to 5:00 p.m.

The Commission, Ms. Blanchette and Sergeant Needham reviewed the proposed area and how it would be secured.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor license to 5:00 p.m. and to accept Leave to Withdraw for the one day entertainment license.

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

8. Kevin Gniadek, 100 Barber Avenue

Request for one day liquor license

• Saturday -July 23, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Kevin Gniadek appeared for the item. He stated that he is looking to obtain a one day liquor license for his wedding in July.

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 February 14, 2022.

9. Gray Matter Marketing, Worcester Common

Request for one day liquor license

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

Claire Akin, participating remotely, stated that this will be for the Craft Brew Races and that she has been working with the police to obtain off duty details for the event.

• Saturday-May 7, 2022 – 12:30 p.m. 4:00 p.m.

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 receive and dated February 23, 2022.

10. Massachusetts Pirates, Worcester Common

Request for one day liquor license

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

- Sunday-April 3, 2022 10:00 a.m. Noon
- Saturday-April 23, 2022-4:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m.
- Saturday-May 28, 2022-4:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m.

Adrian Figeroa, participating remotely, stated that that the Pirates would like to host tailgating parties prior to the games.

Sgt. Needham asked that the applicant check with the Worcester Police whether a detail would be required for the events.

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

Application for one day liquor and entertainment received and dated March 2, 2022.

11. The Shack, 275 Park Avenue

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

• Sunday – March 13, 2022 – 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

No one appeared at the meeting or participated remotely.

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

List of Exhibits: Application for one day entertainment license received and dated March 3, 2022.

Liquor & Entertainment Application Requests

12. TB Restaurant Worcester, LLC, 2 Mercantile Street

- Request for change of manager
- Request for change of dba

Attorney Stephanie Boudreau and Matthew Virzi, participating remotely, called in for the meeting.

Ms. Boudreau stated that they are looking to change the manager of record and dba.

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

List of Exhibits: Application for change of manager and dba received and dated February 22, 2022.

13. AEC Store, Inc. dba New England Convenience, 65 James Street

Request for change of manager

No one attending the meeting or participated remotely.

Sgt. Needham stated that the proposed manager did pass the background check.

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 February 22, 2022.

14. Texas Roadhouse Holdings, LLC, 535 Lincoln Street

Request for change of manager

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to postpone the application to the March 24, 2022 License Commission meeting

14a. Texas Roadhouse Holdings, LLC, 535 Lincoln Street

Request for change of officers/directors

Elizabeth Pisano, participating remotely, called in for the item and reviewed the proposal.

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

List of Exhibits: Application for change of officers/directors received and dated March 2, 2022.

15. Sodexo Operations, LLC, 2 Maywood Street

Request for change of officers/directors/llc managers

No one appeared or participated remotely for the item.

Sgt. Needham stated that the application was all set.

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

List of Exhibits: Application for change of officers/directors/llc manager received and dated February 24, 2022.

16. Steele and Wire Cocktail Lounge, Inc, 124 Millbury Street

- Request for transfer of restaurant all alcohol license from Nicole's Lounge, Inc.
- Request for common victualer license
- Request for entertainment license for tv, dancing by patrons, dancing by entertainers, recorded music, live music, amplification system, karaoke (inside)
- Outside entertainment will consist of acoustic only, no amplification. Monday through Sunday – 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Attorney Dan Cotton, Frank Inangelo and Mara Inangelo appeared for the application.

Attorney Cotton stated that the applicant is requesting to transfer the license and just some minor changes to premises.

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

List of Exhibits: Application for restaurant all alcohol license, common victualer license and entertainment license received and dated February 22, 2022.

17. JPP Petroleum, Incorporated, 419 Grove Street-Continued to March 24, 2022-Readvertised

Request for package store malt & wine license

18. Marlboro Food, Inc., dba 7 Eleven, 1442 Grafton Street-Postponed to March 24, 2022

- Request to transfer package store malt & wine license from AADYAC, LLC
- Request to transfer location from 1454 Grafton Street

Status Hearing

19. The Clock Beer and Wine, 10-30 Front Street

Ms. Steele stated that she had spoken with the owner of the building and they plan to start renovations in next month so she recommend item being continued to first meeting in June.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to continue the item to the June 2, 2022 License Commission meeting.

20. New Tradition LLC, 7 Jackson Street

Joseph Weiss appeared for the meeting. He stated that they ran into some plumbing issues but they plan to open before end of May.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to continue the item to the June 2, 2022 License Commission meeting.

21. Maa Chintapurnia Inc. dba OM Indian Bar & Grill, 118 Water Street

Attorney Jonathan Finkelstein along with representatives of OM Indian Bar & Grill appeared on behalf of the item.

Mr. Finkelstein stated that there had been some construction issues but they are hoping to open by end of April early May.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to continue the item until the April 21, 2022 License Commission meeting.

22. KKAP, LLC, 244 Main Street

Attorney Jonathan Finkelstin appeared upon behalf of the item. He stated that the owner has done work and continuing to try and open the business and would request item be continued to April meeting where at that time the Commissioners could take view of the premises to see the progress.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to continue the item to the April 21, 2022 License Commission meeting.

23. Nuve Lounge, 751 Main Street

No one appeared for the meeting or participated remotely.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to continue the item to the March 24, 2022 License Commission meeting.

Other Business

24. Extension of Temporary Outdoor Dining Program

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to continue the temporary outdoor dining program to April 1, 2022.

25. Memo relative to increase of off-premises licenses-Postponed to March 24, 2022

26. Approval of 2023 Meeting Schedule-Postponed to March 24, 2022

Communications

ABCC Communication – Shaani Corp dba Big Bob's Wine & Spirits –Notice of Accepted Offer in Compromise-filed ABCC Communication – Stillman Quality Meats, LLC, - Order of dismissal-filed

Adjournment

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 2-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:43 a.m.