

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

Thursday - May 5, 2022

**Commissioners** Walter Shea, Chair

**Present:** Barbara Haller, Commissioner

Anthony Vigliotti, Commissioner

**Commissioners** 

**Absent:** 

**Staff Present:** 

Sergeant Thomas Needham, Worcester Police Department

Alexandra Kalkounis, Law Department

Amanda Cornwell, Law Department (participated remotely) Deborah Steele, Division of Planning & Regulatory Services Tara Sochia, Inspectional Services (participated remotely)

Call to Order - 10:00 a.m.

Minutes – April 21, 2022

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the minutes of April 21, 2022.

## **Common Victualer Requests**

- 1. Queiroz Meat Market, Inc., 11 Suffolk Street
  - Sunday Saturday 7:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m.

Bruna Alvarenga appeared in person on behalf of the application.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the common victualer license.

List of Exhibits: Application for common victualer license received and dated April 21, 2022.

# 2. Revel Pizza, Inc. dba Golden Pizza, 107 Chandler Street

• Sunday – Saturday – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 a.m.

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Kareddy Reddy appeared in person on behalf of the application. Mr. Reddy stated that he is taking over an existing pizza restaurant.

List of Exhibits: Application for common victualer license received and dated April 21, 2022.

## **One Day Liquor & Entertainment Requests**

# 3. Holy Family Parish/St. Joseph Church, 10 Dupont Street

## Request for one day liquor license

• Saturday – June 25, 2022 – 4:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

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Ed Bourgault appeared in person on behalf of the application. He stated that this is for their 5<sup>th</sup> annual festival and 500-600 people are expected at the event and two off duty police officers would be hired for the event.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day liquor license received and dated April 12, 2022.

# 4. Kristyn Dyer, College of the Holy Cross

# Request for one day liquor license

- Friday June 3, 2022 6:00 p.m. Midnight (Kimball Dining Hall)
- Saturday June 4, 2022 6:30 p.m.- 11:00 p.m. (outdoors), 6:30 p.m.-1:00 a.m. (indoors) (Kimball Dining Quad/Hall)
- Saturday June 11, 2022 Noon 3:30 p.m. (Luth Athletic Complex)
- Saturday June 11, 2022 5:30 p.m. 11:30 p.m. (Kimball Dining Hall)
- Saturday June 25, 2022 7:00 p.m. 12:30 a.m. (Kimball Dining Hall)

Attorney Mark Bornstein and Chip O'Connor appeared in person on behalf of the application.

Mr. Bornstein stated that these events are for the alumni weekend and Holy Cross police will be on site. He stated each patron will only be allowed one drink at a time and he reviewed security for the events.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the one day liquor licenses.

*List of Exhibits: Application for one day liquor license receive and dated April 29, 2022.* 

# 5. Marc Guinette, 236 Franklin Street (outside)

Request for one day liquor license

- Saturday June 25, 2022 3:00 p.m. 1:00 a.m.
- Saturday July 23, 2022 3:00 p.m. 1:00 a.m.
- Saturday September 10, 2022 3:00 p.m. 1:00 a.m.
- Saturday October 29, 2022 3:00 p.m. 1:00 a.m.

Request for one day entertainment license for dancing by patrons, amplification system, light show, dj, any other audio or visual show, whether live or recorded specifically

- Saturday June 25, 2022 3:00 p.m. 1:00 a.m.
- Saturday July 23, 2022 3:00 p.m. 1:00 a.m.
- Saturday September 10, 2022 3:00 p.m. 1:00 a.m.
- Saturday October 29, 2022 3:00 p.m. 1:00 a.m.

Marc Guinette appeared in person on behalf of the item. He stated that these events will be run the same way they have in the past and event is held in fenced off area next to bar and they have security present.

Sergeant Needham stated that he has visited the events in the past and owner runs a tight ship and there have been no complaints from neighbors.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the one day liquor and entertainment licenses.

List of Exhibits: Application for one day liquor/entertainment licenses dated and received April 21, 2022.

# 6. St. George Cathedral, 30 Anna Street

Request for one day liquor license

• Saturday – May 21, 2022 -8:00 p.m. – 1:30 a.m.

Judy Shaughnessy appeared in person on behalf of the application. She stated that this will be for a fundraiser and they expected around 200 people and will hire a police detail for the event.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

*List of Exhibits: Application for one day liquor license dated and received April 27, 2022.* 

## 7. Sanchez & Sons, 387 Cambridge Street

Request for one day entertainment license for car show

• Sunday – May 22, 2022 – rain date – May 29, 2022 – 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- Sunday June 26, 2022 rain date July 3, 2022 10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday July 18, 2022 rain date July 24, 2022 10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday August 7, 2022 rain date August 14, 2022 -10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.

Javier Sanchez appeared in person on behalf of the application.

Chairman Shea stated that the Commissioners went to the site but Mr. Sanchez was not present for the view so they are going to continue the item to May 19, 2022 License Commission meeting so that Mr. Sanchez can meet with staff and provide for next meeting; Sketch of the parking area, how much parking is going to be used for event, plan for how emergency vehicles would have access to site, security for site and if portion of event being held on neighboring property letter of permission from property owner.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to continue the application to the May 19, 2022 License Commission meeting.

## **Temporary Outdoor Dining Requests**

- 8. Tee Up Taproom, 70 James Street (food & alcohol)
  - 5 tables with 20 seats –
  - Monday-closed- Tuesday-Sunday 1:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.

Doreen Albert appeared in person for the application. She stated that she would like to have five (5) picnic tables outside and that an employee would be outside at all times to monitor the area.

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

List of Exhibits: Application for temporary outdoor dining dated and received April 21, 2022.

## **Liquor & Entertainment Application Requests**

- 9. Worcester Detachment Marine Corps League, 181 Lake Avenue
  - Request for change of officers/directors
  - Request for change of manager

Phil Ford appeared in person upon behalf of the application. He stated that they will be changing the manager and officers/directors at the location.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the change of manager and officers/directors.

List of Exhibits: Application for change of manager and officers/directors dated and received April 18, 2022.

#### 10. The Boynton Café of Worcester, Inc., 117 Highland Street

• Request for entertainment license for radio, live music (outside) 10:00 p.m. closing daily

Steven John, participating remotely, stated that he would like to do some entertainment in the outdoor area. He stated that the outside area would be from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the entertainment license.

List of Exhibits: Application for entertainment dated and received April 26, 2022.

# 11. Kraftea Kombucha Company, 3 Brussels Street

- Request to transfer Farmer Brewery Pouring Permit from 38 Harlow Street
- Request for common victualer license
- Request for entertainment license for recorded music, live music, amplification system, moving picture show

Chairman Shea stated that the Commissioners view the site prior to the meeting.

Matthew Glidden appeared in person on behalf of the application. He stated that this will be a kombucha tap room with seating for 20 and he would like to have some entertainment at this location.

Commissioner Haller asked if kombucha would be only alcohol at the location. Mr. Glidden replied yes.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve;

- Request to transfer Farmer Brewery Pouring Permit from 38 Harlow Street
- Request for common victualer license
- Request for entertainment license for recorded music, live music, amplification system, moving picture show

List of Exhibits: Application for transfer of farmer brewery pouring permit, request for common victualer license and entertainment license dated and received April 19, 2022.

## 12. New England Convenience, Inc., 65 James Street

• Request to transfer package store malt & wine license from AEC Store, Inc.

Maria Ortiz, participating remotely) stated that she is taking over ownership of the location.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the transfer of the package store malt & wine license.

List of Exhibits: Application for transfer of package store malt & wine license dated and received April 8, 2022.

# 13. Dubai Restaurant & Lounge, Inc., 27 Pleasant Street

- Request to transfer of restaurant all alcohol license to 105 Water Street
- Request for change of dba to Mexi-Town Bar & Grill
- Request for entertainment license for tv, recorded music

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone application to June 2, 2022 License Commission meeting.

## 14. Adnan Paloja, Eddy's Complete Auto Repair & Towing, 390 Belmont Street

• Request for package store malt & wine license

Chairman Shea stated that the Commission members had viewed the site prior to the meetings and are going to continue the item to the June 16, 2022 License Commission meeting so that the applicant can provide a site plan of how the package store would be separate from the garage on site and plan of where the alcohol would be stored on site.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone the application to the June 16, 2022 License Commission meeting.

#### 15. Patience Owusu, 892 Main Street

#### • Request for package store malt & wine license

Patience Owusu appears in person on behalf of the application.

Chairman Shea stated that the Commissioners had viewed the premises prior to the meeting and they will continue this item to the September 8, 2022 License Commission meeting as they would like the business to be running and that Ms. Owusu needs to provide a floor plan and overview of where alcohol will be stored. Along with addressing fire issues for emergency lighting at location.

Commissioner Haller stated that she also has concerned that this area is already well served by the existing package stores in the area.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to continue the application to the September 8, 2022 License Commission meeting.

#### **Other Business**

# 16. Memo relative to increase of off-premises license

Staff provided an overview of the process on how the additional five new off premises licenses would be issued.

List of Exhibits: Memo from Division of Planning & Regulatory Services dated May 4, 2022.

# **Communications**

- ABCC communication Shri Mahadev Corporation dba One Stop Beer and Wine violation report -Filed
- Email from JOLO Inc dba Hurricane Betty's, 350 Southbridge Street Withdrawal of Appeal-Filed
- Email Gary Vecchio Little Caesars Shrewsbury Street

The Commission reviewed the email that had been sent and Tara Sochia from Inspectional Services, participating remotely, stated that Inspectional Services has gone and inspected the complaint and will do another follow up and provide update at next meeting.

## Adjournment

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 a.m.