



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

Thursday, December 29, 2022

Commissioners Present: Walter Shea, Chair
Anthony Vigliotti, Commissioner
Charran Fisher, Commissioner

Commissioners Absent:

Staff Present: Alexandra Kalkounis, Law Department
Sergeant Thomas Needham, Worcester Police Department
Deborah Steele, Division of Planning & Regulatory Services

Call to Order – 10:00 A.M.

Minutes: December 15, 2022

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the minutes of December 15, 2022.

Requests for Continuances, Extensions, Postponements, & Withdrawals

One Day Liquor & Entertainment Requests

1. Lupus Foundation of New England, Worcester Common

Petition Purpose: Request for one day liquor license

Request for one day entertainment license for radio. Live music (outside)

- Saturday, June 10, 2023

No one appeared for item and application was postponed to the January 12, 2023 License Commission meeting.

Common Victualer Requests

2. New Golden Dragon Island, Inc., 1328 Main Street

Monday-closed, Tuesday-Thursday- 11:00 a.m. – 9:30 p.m., Friday-Saturday 11:00 a.m.-10:30 p.m., Sunday- Noon-9:30 p.m.

No one appeared for item.

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 December 20, 2022.

3. El Rincon Criollo, 229 Canterbury Street

Monday-Sunday – 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Mildred Santana appeared upon behalf of the application. She stated that this will be for a Spanish restaurant.

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 December 16, 2022.

Liquor and Entertainment Application Requests

4. Aelux Lounge, LLC, dba Aleux Lounge, LLC 316 Shrewsbury Street

Petition Purpose:

- Request for general on premises all alcohol license
- Request for common victualer license
- Request for entertainment license for tv, recorded music

Anhar Kaaed appeared upon behalf of the application.

The Commission members stated that they had concerns with the fire access and know that fire department will be doing inspection in next few weeks and would like to continue item to the January 12, 2023 meeting.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to continue the applications to the January 12, 2023 License Commission meeting.

5. Femme Enterprises, LLC, 62 Green Street

Petition Purposes

- Transfer of restaurant all alcohol license from Nap LLC dba Buck's
- Request for common vitualer license

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone the applications to the January 12, 2023 License Commission meeting.

6. Yummy Oishi, Inc., 389 Main Street

- Request for restaurant malt & wine license

Chair Shea stated that the Commission members had viewed the site prior to the meeting.

Min Yang appeared upon behalf of the application and stated that this is an existing restaurant, and they would like to apply for a beer and wine license.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the restaurant malt & wine license.

List of Exhibits: Application for restaurant malt & wine license received and dated December 12, 2023.

Chair Shea recused himself from item # 7.

Other Business

7. Karm 37, Inc., dba Gateway Wine and Spirits, 37 Mechanic Street

- Reconsideration hearing

Attorney Arthur Pearlman appeared for the item. He stated that there has come into question whether the churches at this location had been properly notified of the hearing. Mr. Pearlman reviewed each of the churches and where they are located from the proposed premises and presented photos of where each of the existing churches were located and the size of each of location

Mr. Pearlman stated that if you review the law the churches in question are not required to be notified as in Chapter 138 Section 16C it states that a church shall mean a church or synagogue building dedicated to divine worship and in regular use for that purpose, but not a chapel occupying a minor portion of a building primarily devoted to other uses. He stated that this is a complex with other businesses in it and the churches are a very minor portion of the building.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission found 2-0 that property notices to the abutters had been done by the applicant.

Communications

ABCC violation hearing notice-Ansh Inc. dba KJ Baaron's Fine Wine & Spirits-filed

Adjournment

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 a.m.