

**CITY OF ANN ARBOR AD-HOC LIQUOR LICENSE COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 14, 2007 MINUTES**

The City of Ann Arbor Ad-Hoc Liquor License Committee Meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Stephen Rapundalo, at 3:35 p.m. on September 14, 2007, in the City Council Workroom, 100 N. Fifth Avenue, Ann Arbor, MI, 48104.

The members present were Councilmembers Stephen Rapundalo, Ronald Suarez and Robert Johnson. City Clerk Jacqueline Beaudry and Assistant City Attorney Mary Fales were also present.

MINUTES

The committee agreed by unanimous consent to approve the draft minutes from July 20, 2007.

DISCUSSION OF DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT LICENSES

Assistant City Attorney Mary Fales talked about the possibility of a license being issued under the new law for redevelopment districts or downtown development districts. She stated there are criteria that must be met for applicants to apply for this license, which is not part of the City's quota.

In order to issue development licenses, there must not be any available quota licenses in the City and certain economic and development criteria must also be met in the district.

It was noted by the committee that five of the applicants for the quota license might also be eligible for one of the redevelopment licenses if they were not selected for the quota license. The committee requested more information from the City Attorney's Office regarding these licenses.

LATE APPLICATIONS

The committee decided that the application from Caliente Grill at 255 E. Liberty would be accepted late due to the fact that the application was sent by the City Clerk's Office to a misspelled street address. It was agreed that the other two late applications would not be accepted and the application fee would be refunded to them.

REVIEW CRITERIA AND SCORING SHEETS

The committee reviewed the draft scoring sheet. Staff was directed to make changes to allow for all applicants to be scored on one spreadsheet. Changes were made to the scoring criteria.

NEXT STEPS FOR ANNUAL REVIEW PROCESS

City Attorney Mary Fales briefed the committee on the next steps necessary for the City to initiate an annual review process. The City Attorney's Office was directed to continue review of this option.

ADJOURN

With no further business before the committee, the Chair called the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 21, 2007 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Jacqueline Beaudry
Ann Arbor City Clerk