

City of Ann Arbor

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Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Meeting Minutes

Friday, January 27, 2017

12:00 PM

Please note: New start time.

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second floor, City Council
chambers

Council Liquor License Review Committee

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Council Liquor License Review Committee was called to order by the Chair, Jane Lumm, at 12:07 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 301 E. Huron Street, 2nd Floor.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Jacqueline Beaudry, Deputy City Clerk Jennifer Alexa, Assistant City Attorney Mary Fales, AAPD Lt. Renee Bush, and Deputy Treasurer Mike Pettigrew were also in attendance from City staff.

Present: 3 - Jane Lumm, Chip Smith and Kirk Westphal

Absent: 1 - Sumi Kailasapathy

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

17-0130 Council Liquor License Review Committee Meeting Minutes of January 6, 2017

A motion was made by Councilmember Westphal, seconded by Councilmember Smith, that the January 6, 2017 Meeting Minutes of the Council Liquor License Review Committee be approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council by 2/21/2017. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Annual Renewals

City Clerk Jacqueline Beaudry updated the committee that letters were sent to the six businesses identified previously by the City Treasurer for delinquent invoices or delinquent personal property taxes:

*Ashley's Restaurant
Banfield's Bar and Grill
BurgerFi
Nagomi Sushi and Noodles
Old Carolina Barbecue Company
Sabor Latino*

Deputy Treasurer Mike Pettigrew reported that Sabor Latino paid their outstanding invoice and he was removing his objection to their renewal.

The committee discussed BurgerFi's delinquent tax bill in the amount of \$17,604.61. Mr. Pettigrew noted that he had previously spoken to this licensee about filing a personal property statement with the City, noting that the owner has not done this so his taxes are based on the City's estimate.

Lt. Bush of the AAPD stated that the Police Department does not have any objections this year.

Glen Dempsey, the City's new Building Official, arrived at 12:20 p.m. Mr. Dempsey provided the committee with a number of new objections from the Building Department, following his review. Assistant City Attorney Fales suggested that the committee table the Building Department reviews until next year due to the late date. There was general consensus that Mr. Dempsey could provide his recommendations during next year's review if issues are not addressed in the coming year.

Following further discussion, Smith moved, seconded by Westphal, that the Committee proceed with recommending to Council that a hearing be scheduled for Wednesday, February 22, regarding the remaining five objections from the City Treasurer. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

It was decided that the City Clerk would send letters to the five licensees alerting them of the next steps with a final deadline to pay of Friday, February 3 to avoid being included in the February 6 City Council resolution setting a hearing to consider non-renewal.

INFORMATION/UPCOMING BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Edward Vielmetti, Fourth Ward resident, speaking on behalf of Damn Arbor asked for clarification that the February 6 City Council meeting would include a resolution to schedule the hearings for non-renewal of liquor licenses. (A member of the committee replied in the affirmative.)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Westphal, seconded by Councilmember Smith, that the meeting adjourn. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

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