

City of Ann Arbor

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Action Minutes

Thursday, April 21, 2016

4:00 PM

Special Meeting

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

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 4:04 p.m. in the City Council Work Room, 2nd Floor, 301 E. Huron Street.

City Clerk Jacqueline Beaudry, Assistant City Attorney Mary Fales, Public Services Area Administrator Craig Hupy and Deputy Police Chief Greg Bazick were in attendance.

Present: 4 - Jane Lumm, Sumi Kailasapathy, Chip Smith and Zachary Ackerman

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilmember Ackerman, seconded by Councilmember Kailasapathy, that the Agenda be approved. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

16-0626 Council Liquor License Review Committee Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2016

Attachments: 2016-04-08 liquor committee minutes

A motion was made by Councilmember Ackerman, seconded by Councilmember Kailasapathy, that the Council Liquor License Review Committee Meeting Minutes be approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council by 5/16/2016. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Lumm welcomed a member of the public in attendance from Skyline High School.

NEW BUSINESS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commercial Quadricycle Discussion

Assistant City Attorney Mary Fales provided Commission members with a draft ordinance regarding the regulation of commercial quadricycles.

Councilmember Lumm also provided members with a draft ordinance that was provided to her from the City of Frankenmuth.

Attorney Fales briefed the new members on the history of the discussion, stating she had reached out to various stakeholders last Fall regarding the operation of commercial quadricycles in the City. Ms. Fales stated generally the DDA and the downtown businesses and bar owners were supportive of the operation in the downtown; however some concern was raised regarding possible traffic back-ups.

Councilmember Ackerman moved, supported by Councilmember Smith, that any proposed ordinance language not be limited specifically to the DDA, but apply to the entire City. On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

The discussion continued and Attorney Fales reminded members that previously the Ann Arbor Police had raised a concern regarding the operation of commercial quadricycles during special events, including football Saturdays.

Committee members began to develop a consensus on a number of items relating to a future ordinance that would need to be considered:

1. Do we want to regulate or allow State law?

If regulated:

- 1. Hours of Operation*
- 2. Consumption of Alcohol - if allowed, limitations on quantity, types of containers?*
- 3. Parking issues ("standing" at stops on the route)*

Councilmember Kailasapathy stated she does not agree with allowing drinking onboard, stating drinking is not allowed for pedestrians or other drivers.

Commissioners directed Attorney Fales to draft an ordinance taking into consideration the following:

- 1. Allow commercial quadricycles to operate in the City.*
- 2. Prohibit drinking onboard.*
- 3. Additional regulations regarding hours of operation (not on Main Street during rush hour), restriction of certain days (e.g. Football Saturdays).*
- 4. Parking (stopping/standing)*
- 5. Speed (allow only on streets with speed less than 25mph)*
- 6. Training of operators*
- 7. Seatbelts?*
- 8. Safety of vehicle, including required lighting*

INFORMATION/UPCOMING BUSINESS

Committee members agreed to meet again on Friday, April 29 at 4:00 p.m. to continue the discussion regarding Commercial Quadricycles.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Ackerman, that the meeting adjourn. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.