

**CITY OF ANN ARBOR AD-HOC LIQUOR LICENSE COMMITTEE
APRIL 25, 2008 MINUTES**

The City of Ann Arbor Ad-Hoc Liquor License Committee Meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Stephen Rapundalo, at 8:30 a.m. on April 25, 2008, in the City Council Workroom, 100 N. Fifth Avenue, Ann Arbor, MI, 48104.

The members present were Councilmembers Stephen Rapundalo, Mike Anglin and Ronald Suarez. City Clerk Jacqueline Beaudry, Assistant City Attorney Mary Fales and Anissa Bowden of the City Clerk's Office were also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Suarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Anglin, to approve the minutes of December 21, 2007. The motion was approved by unanimous consent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Recommendation for Number of Licenses to be Issued Under Redevelopment District Designation

Mary Fales provided the committee with a FAQ sheet with information on seating, location and investment requirements.

The committee discussed possible policy decisions regarding the number of licenses to be issued and whether a number would be set and if the policy would allow case-by-case decisions. There was discussion with the City Attorney regarding the policy. Assistant City Attorney Mary Fales was requested to follow-up with the State Liquor Commission on questions.

It was decided that a public meeting would be held to solicit input from the downtown community and other interested parties prior to the City moving forward on the issuance of any licenses or policy decisions. Staff was directed to coordinate the scheduling of the meeting within the next month.

b. Redevelopment District License Applications

There was discussion regarding the existing applications for redevelopment district licenses and the current criteria used for evaluation.

Councilmember Suarez suggested the policy should be consistent with the A2D2 plans.

It was decided that the committee would not act on any license applications at this time, pending the public hearing outcome.

c. Ordinance Changes

Assistant City Attorney Mary Fales was asked to provide the committee with a proposed ordinance in the standard ordinance form.

d. Committee extension

City Clerk Jacqueline Beaudry was directed to prepare a resolution to change the ad-hoc status of the committee to a permanent Council committee.

e. Liquor Committee Ethical Considerations

Councilmember Suarez provided the committee with a proposed ethics policy. City Attorney Fales was asked to review the draft.

ADJOURN

With no further business before the committee, the Chair called the meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Jacqueline Beaudry
Ann Arbor City Clerk