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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, June 5, 2024

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Council Liquor License Review Committee

CALL TO ORDER

Councilmember Disch called the meeting of the Council Liquor License Review Committee to order at 2:18 p.m. in the Guy C. Larcom, Jr. Building, Basement Conference Room A, 301 E. Huron Street.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Jacqueline Beaudry, Clerk's Office Administrative Assistant Rachel Rickinger, and Senior Assistant City Attorney John Reiser were also in attendance.

Present: 4 - Lisa Disch, Chris Watson, Dharma Akmon and Travis Radina

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Radina, that the Agenda be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The petitioners were available to answer any questions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

24-1048 Council Liquor License Review Committee Meeting Minutes of April 4, 2024

A motion was made by Councilmember Akmon, seconded by Councilmember Radina, that the Council Liquor License Review Committee Meeting Minutes of April 4, 0224 be approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council by 6/18/2024. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

24-1011 Resolution to Recommend Approval of Issuance of a Downtown Development District Liquor License to Alo's LLC

A motion was made by Councilmember Akmon, seconded by Councilmember Radina, that the Resolution be recommended for approval to the City Council by 6/18/2024. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

INFORMATION/UPCOMING BUSINESS

Class C Quota License Update

Senior Assistant City Attorney John Reiser provided an update on the Class C quota licenses allocated by Ann Arbor City Council on June 6, 2022. Reiser stated that of the eight allocated licenses, five of the eight licenses are in use. He provided status updates of the three licenses that are not currently in use:

-Jibarito A2, LLC at 309 S. Main St. was granted license approval by the MLCC on April 25, 2024. They have two years to begin using their license (by April 25, 2026).

-A2Wineman, LLC at 504-512 S. Main St. was granted license approval by the MLCC on August 1, 2023. They have two years to begin using their license (by August 1, 2025). The applicant needs to address pending permit matters with the Building Department.

-Chela's at 693 S. Maple Rd. is still in the application process.

Communication from the applicant stated that they are committed to moving forward in their process, including providing requested documentation to the MLCC within the next two months. There are also potential matters to address with the Building Department.

Senior Assistant City Attorney John Reiser stated that he would work with Clerk's Office staff to draft a letter to Chela's regarding the status of their quota license.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Disch declared the meeting adjourned at 2:36 p.m.

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