

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
LICENSE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER  
JANUARY 5, 2017

ESTHER HOWLAND CHAMBER

**Commission Members Present:** Anthony Salvidio, Commissioner  
Barbara Haller, Commissioner

**Commission Members Absent:** Walter Shea, Commissioner

**Staff Present:**

Deborah Steele, Planning & Regulatory Services  
James Foley, Inspectional Services  
Lt. James Johnson, Worcester Police Department  
Officer Mark Jolin, Worcester Police Department  
Alexandra Kalkounis, Law Department  
Lt. Jeffrey Dubeau, Fire Prevention

**Approval of the Minutes** – December 15, 2016-Held

Commissioner Salvidio welcome Commissioner Haller to the Commission.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**I-1** Proposed Amendments to Entertainment Rules & Regulations

Postponed to the first meeting in February.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**II Special One Day Liquor & Entertainment Requests**

**II-1:** Petitioner: Saint Mary's Albanian Church, 535 Salisbury Street

Request for one day liquor license

- June 2, 2017-Noon-11:15 p.m.
- June 3, 2017-Noon-11:15 p.m.
- June 4, 2017-Noon-7:00 p.m.

Mark Baker appeared on behalf of the application. Mr. Baker stated that this is for the Albanian Festival being held in June and police details are hired for the event.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day licenses.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license received December 21, 2016 and dated December 21, 2016.

**II-2:** Petitioner: Agronomy Farm Vineyard, Crompton Collective, 138 Green Street

Request for Farmer Winery License-January 2017-April 2017-9:00 a.m.- Noon

Marissa O'Connor appeared on behalf of the application. She stated that she is requesting to sell wine at the Crompton Collective.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the petition.

Exhibit A: Application for Farmer Winery License received electronically December 17, 2016.

**II-3:** Petitioner: Struck Catering, 8 Grafton Street

Request for one day liquor license

- January 19, 2017-5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Derek Brillo appeared on behalf of the application. He stated that this is a business after hours for the Chamber of Commerce.

Commissioner Salvidio asked where the location of the event would be held. Mr. Brillo stated it in the basement of 8 Grafton Street.

Lt. Dubeau stated that it used to be 18 Grafton Street but it has been renumbered.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license received December 28, 2016 and dated December 28, 2016.

**II-4:** Petitioner: Jackson Harris LLC, 7 Jackson Street

Request for one day liquor license

- January 21, 2017-4:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

Jason Roche and Joseph Weiss appeared on behalf of the application. Mr. Roche stated that this event will be for an art show and they have a TIPS certified bartender and have contacted the police

to hire an off duty police officer. He stated that they expect 100-150 people and it will be held on main floor.

Lt. Dubeau asked if the building has sprinklers. Mr. Roche stated that it had and they he had a copy of the fire safety inspection report to give to the Fire Department.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license received December 23, 2016 and dated December 23, 2016.

### **III Common Victualer Requests**

**III-1:** Petitioner: M&M Falafel Express, 667 West Boylston Street

- Request for common victualer license

Mohammed Khaled appeared on behalf of the application. He stated that he is taking over an existing restaurant.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the common victualer license.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license received December 29, 2016 and dated December 29, 2016.

**III-2:** Petitioner: Pizza Hut, 349 Grafton Street

- Request for common victualer license

Item was held.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license received December 29, 2016 and dated December 29, 2016.

**III-3:** Petitioner: US Pizza, 974A Main Street

- Request for common victualer license

No one appeared for item.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the common victualer license.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license received December 29, 2016 and dated December 29, 2016.

**III-4:** Petitioner: Crust Bakeshop, Worcester Bakery, LLC, 118 Main Street

- Request for common victualer license

Alexis Kelleher appeared on behalf of the application. She stated that she is taking over an existing restaurant.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the common victualer license.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license received December 29, 2016 and dated December 29, 2016.

#### **IV Alcohol & Entertainment Requests**

**IV-1:** Petitioner: WPI Campus Center, 100 Institute Road

- Request for change of manager

No one appeared for item.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the change of manager.

Exhibit A: Application for change of manager received November 22, 2016 and dated November 22, 2016.

**IV-2:** Petitioner: WPI Founders Hall, 100 Institute Road

- Request for change of manager

No one appeared for item.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the change of manager.

Exhibit A: Application for change of manager received November 22, 2016 and dated November 22, 2016.

**IV-3:** Petitioner: Magalys Rodriguez, 3 Mill Street

Request to transfer location from 27 Pleasant Street and change of license type to a general on premises all alcohol license

Item was posted to first meeting in February.

Exhibit A: Application for transfer of location and change of license type received December 2, 2016 and dated December 1, 2016.

#### **V Violations**

**V-1:** International Lounge, 27 Pleasant Street

Violation of Rules #2, #5, #14, 204 CMR 2.05-Transfer of license without approval, No licenses posted, manager responsible for premises

Item was postponed to the first meeting in February.

Police reported dated November 12, 2016.

**V-2:** Makao, 181 Millbury Street

Violation of Rules #1, #5, #15, -Hours, no licensed posted, manager responsible for premises

Claribel Santos and Bernardo Susana appeared to answer to the violation and waived their right to counsel.

Lt. Johnson presented the following.

On November 11, 2016, Officer Mark Jolin and Officer Patrick Harrington were working as members of the Worcester Police Alcohol Enforcement Unit.

Officer Jolin and Officer Harrington along with members of the Worcester Fire Department Code Enforcement visited Makao Restaurant at 10:00 p.m. and observed 8-10 people inside the restaurant and that the door was locked. The restaurant has condition that establishment must close at 10:00 p.m. as condition of the license.

The officers knocked at the door and were eventually let in and Officer Jolin asked why the door was locked and the male who had opened the door stated that they were closed but he was allowing patrons to finish.

Officer Jolin spoke with Claribel Ramos, the owner, and explained to her that doors must remain unlocked while patrons are still inside.

Officer Jolin also observed numerous speakers, tv's and a keyboard and observed a display with fliers advertising live music every Sunday but there was no entertainment license for the establishment.

Ms. Ramos stated that she had locked the door as didn't want an other people to enter the restaurant past 10:00 p.m. but since the officer came in they have last call at 9:45 p.m. and no patrons are inside after 10:00 p.m. Ms. Ramos stated that after the officer came in they applied for the entertainment license which was approved.

Commissioner Salvidio just reminded Ms. Santos that she cannot lock door if patrons still inside and that she should post the licenses for the premises in a location that can be obviously observed when investigators come in.

Upon a roll call the Commission voted 2-0 that the violation had occurred.  
Upon a roll call the Commission voted 2-0 to issue a warning.

Exhibit A: Police report dated November 30, 2016.

## **Communications**

ABCC decision-Whiskey on Water received December 16, 2016-filed  
Amended License Commission dates-2017-filed  
Meeting schedule 2018-Filed

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon a motion the Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.