



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
LICENSE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER**

**Thursday, June 1, 2023**

**Commissioners Present:** Anthony Vigliotti, Chair  
Charran Fisher, Commissioner  
Maritza Cruz, Commissioner

**Commissioners Absent:**

**Staff Present:**  
Sergeant Thomas Needham Worcester Police Department  
Kevin Vescera, Worcester Fire Department  
William Ekberg, Worcester Fire Department  
Deborah Steele, Division of Planning & Regulatory Services

**Call to Order – 10:00 A.M.**

**Minutes: May 18, 2023**

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the minutes of May 18, 2023.

**Requests for Continuances, Extensions, Postponements, & Withdrawals**

**One Day Liquor & Entertainment Requests**

**1. Leila Jachimczyk, 118 Green Street**  
**Request for one day liquor license**

- **Saturday – August 26, 2023 – Noon-8:00 p.m.**

**1A. Leila Jachimczyk, 118 Green Street-**  
**Request for one day entertainment license for dancing by patrons, dancing by entertainers, recorded music, live music, amplification system**

- **Saturday – August 26, 2023 – Noon-8:00 p.m.**

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone items 1,1a to the June 15, 2023 License Commission meeting.

**2. Worcester Caribbean American Carnival Association, 44 Portland Street  
Request for one day liquor license**

- **Monday – June 19, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. – 5:30 to 7:30 change**

Jennifer Gaskin, participating remotely, stated that this event will be held on June 19 and reviewed the security proposed for the event when requested by Sergeant Needham.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the one-day liquor license.

*List of Exhibits: Application for one day liquor license received and dated May 2, 2023.*

**3. Gina Migliozi, 30 Exchange Street  
Request for one day liquor license**

- **Sunday – August 20, 2023 – 11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.**

**3a. Gina Migliozi, 30 Exchange Street  
Request for one day entertainment license for dancing by patrons, dancing by entertainers, recorded music, live music, amplification system, light show**

- **Sunday – August 20, 2023 – 11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.**

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone Items 3, 3a to the June 15, 2023 License Commission meeting.

**4. Soles of Hope, 34 Boynton Street  
Request for one day liquor license**

- **Saturday – August 5, 2023 – 8:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.**

**4a. Soles of Hope, 34 Boynton Street  
Request for one day entertainment license for dancing by patrons, live music, dancing by entertainers, recorded music**

- **Saturday – August 5, 2023 – 8:00 p.m.-1:30 a.m.**

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone Items 4, 4a to the June 15, 2023 License Commission meeting.

- 5. St. George Cathedral, 30 Anna Street**  
**Request for one day liquor license**
- **Friday – June 9, 2023 – 4:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m.**
  - **Saturday – June 10, 2023 – 11:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.**
  - **Sunday – June 11, 2023 – Noon-5:00 p.m.**

- 5a. St. George Cathedral, 30 Anna Street**  
**Request for one day entertainment license for live music**
- **Friday – June 9, 2023 – 4:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m.**
  - **Saturday – June 10, 2023 – 11:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.**
  - **Sunday – June 11, 2023 – Noon-5:00 p.m.**

Items 5, 5a were taken contemporaneously.

Judy Shaughnessy appeared on behalf of the applications. She stated that this is for a three-day festival that will have food, entertainment, and vendors. She stated that they will have police details, licensed bartenders and will have security overnight.

Sergeant Needham suggested the applicant investigate wristbands to identify those over 21 for the event.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the one-day liquor and one day entertainment license.

*List of Exhibits: Applications for one day liquor/entertainment received and dated May 23, 2023.*

- 6. Breen’s Café, 16 Cambridge Street (outside)**  
**Request for one day entertainment license for radio, live music**
- **Saturday – June 17, 2023 – 3:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.**

Matt Hanlon appeared upon behalf of the application. He stated that this will be a fundraiser and will be held in the parking lot of the premises.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the one-day entertainment license.

*List of exhibits: Application for one day entertainment license received and dated May 23, 2023.*

- 7. Christian Stone, 346 Shrewsbury Street (outside)**  
**Request for one day liquor license**
- **Tuesday – June 20, 2023 – 5:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.**

Christian Stone appeared upon behalf of the application. He stated that this event is for the Taste of Shrewsbury Street. He stated that the parking lot will be blocked off and they expect about 30-40 people at a time during the event and they will have security on site and a TIPS certified bartender.

Sgt. Needham reminded the applicant that alcohol needs to be contained to designated area.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the one-day liquor license.

*List of Exhibits: Application for one day liquor license received and dated May 24, 2023.*

**8. Kaitlin Williams, 222 Harrington Way**

- **Friday-June 16, 2023 – 5:30 p.m. -8:45 p.m.**
- **Friday-June 23, 2023-5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**

Kaitlin Williams, participating remotely, stated that this event will be at the Ecotarium and they will have security and certified bartenders.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the one day liquor licenses.

*List of Exhibits: Applications for one day liquor licenses received and dated May 26, 2023.*

**Common Victualer Requests**

**9. Family Ties Pizzeria, LLC, 121 Millbury Street**

- **Sunday – Saturday – 11:00 a.m.-Midnight**

Elias Carmenatty appeared upon behalf of the application.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the common victualer license.

*List of Exhibits: Application for common victualer license received and dated May 23, 2023.*

**10. Ziggy Bombs One, LLC dba Ziggy Bombs, 72 Franklin Street**

- **Request for alteration of premises for parklet**
- **Request for entertainment license for live music, recorded music**

Carl Cravedi appeared upon behalf of the application. He stated that this will be for the sidewalk dining and also the parklet for outside the premises.

Chair Vigliotti stated that the Commission members had viewed the premises previously and the parklet will take up two parking spaces.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the alteration of premises and the entertainment license for recorded music which consists of speaker attached to building.

11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.-Monday-Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday-10:00 a.m.-Midnight. Closed on Sundays.

*List of Exhibits: Application for alteration of premises and entertainment license received and dated April 18, 2023.*

- 11. Mia Cane, 261B Park Avenue**
- **Sunday – Saturday – 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.**

Tuan Nguyen appeared upon behalf of the application.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the common victualer license.

*List of Exhibits: Application for common victualer license received and dated May 26, 2023.*

### **Alcohol/Entertainment Requests**

- 12. CM&Family dba Wicked Wings, 321 West Boylston Street**
- **Request to amend entertainment license to add tv, radio, live music, amplification system, karaoke/outdoors**

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone the application to the June 15, 2023 License Commission meeting.

- 13. Beer Garden, MA, LLC – 64-66 Franklin Street**
- **Request for change of manager**

Karina Dedor, participating remotely, stated that this is for a change of manager for the location.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the change of manager application.

*List of Exhibits: Application for change of manager received and dated May 15, 2023.*

### **Status Hearing**

- 14. Nuve Lounge, 755 Main Street**

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone the application to the June 15, 2023 License Commission meeting.

- 15. Kraftea Kombucha, 3 Brussels Street**

Matt Glidden appeared upon behalf of the item and stated that he had spoken with his landlord and the occupancy permit had been issued. Staff stated that they will need to look into.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone the application to the June 15, 2023 License Commission meeting.

- 16. SC Worcester, LLC dba Shaking Crab, 554 Main Street**

Kevin, a representative of SC Worcester, stated that they are still trying to work out the ventilation for the building and the engineer doesn't want to sign off on the proposed plans and they have had no luck with the landlord on finalizing issue so not sure what they plan to do.

Commissioner Cruz asked what the applicant proposed to do as can't use the license if can't get sign offs. Kevin stated that that he wasn't sure.

The Commission members stated that they will hold the items for a few weeks so the applicant can look into the matter.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to continue the item to the June 15, 2023 License Commission meeting.

**17. Dubai Restaurant & Lounge, 105 Water Street**

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone the application to the August 10, 2023 License Commission meeting.

**18. KKAP, 244 Main Street**

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to postpone the application to the June 15, 2023 License Commission meeting.

**19. LLAWM, LLC dba Wine & Market, 166 Lincoln Street**

Andrew Upton, Dan Newcomb, participated remotely for the item. Mr. Upton stated that the license holder has signed a P&S agreement and they just waiting on the lease so they can file a transfer of the license.

Chair Vigliotti asked when would the transfer be completed and Mr. Upton stated in the next few weeks.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to continue the item to the June 15, 2023 License Commission meeting.

**20. Karm 37, Inc., 37 Mechanic Street**

Attorney Pearlman, participating remotely, stated that the lease for the property was signed April 1, and that they are just waiting to install a cooler and dealing with three different companies for that but once that in place shouldn't take more than a month to complete the build out and they believe they will be open by September 1, 2023.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to continue the item to the September 7, 2023 License Commission meeting.

**Violation Hearing**

**21. Creed Lounge, Inc., 41 Pleasant Street  
Violation of Rules #1, #14, #20**

Kelvin Paulino appeared to answer to the violation and waived his right to counsel.

On March 5, 2023 Sergeant Thomas Needham was assigned to the Alcohol Enforcement Unit when an anonymous caller reported to the Worcester police dispatch that the Creed Lounge had individuals inside the premises after closing/clearance hours.

Sergeant Needham went to Creed Lounge and was met by officers Tivnan, Sullivan and Smith.

Sergeant Needham observed some individuals standing on the sidewalk a few yards from the premises and one individual standing on the stairway leading to the closed front door of the premises.

Sergeant Needham could hear faint voices from inside Creed Lounge and attempted to look inside but was unable to due to the windows on the front being obstructed by a substance, possibly paint.

Sergeant Needham attempted to gain entry by the front door but it was locked. When Sergeant Needham knocked and announced it was the police the door was opened, and Sergeant Needham observed security staff inside the entrance.

Upon entry Sergeant Needham looked up the stairway to the second floor where the premises is located and observed Kelvin Paulino, the owner, standing at the top of the stairway. Sergeant Needham was also able to see a male standing across from Mr. Paulino drinking from a Corona beer bottle.

Sergeant Needham and the other officers went through the premises and observed eight (8) people standing at the bar and two (2) – three (3) people standing in a raised seating area.

Sergeant Needham asked Mr. Paulino what all these people were still doing inside the premises as it was well past closing/clearance hours. Mr. Paulino responded that they are employees.

Sergeant Needham asked Mr. Paulino about the male drinking from Corona beer bottle. Mr. Paulino stated that he is the assistant manager.

Sergeant Needham informed Mr. Paulino that there was to be no further consumption and any alcohol needed to be removed from the bar.

Sergeant Needham also observed two males watching television and two males sitting in the booth to the rear of the room and asked Mr. Paulino why they were still inside the premises, and he offered no excuse. He did not identify them as employees.

Sergeant Needham observed that one of the males in the booth was consuming a caramel-colored liquor in a clear plastic cup and informed the individual that it was past closing hour so he would need to leave and the male responded, "I'm with the owner". Sergeant Needham informed him if he was not an employee he needed to leave and the male got up and proceeded to leave.

Mr. Paulino stated that they do have 20-30 employees each night and there was a verbal confrontation with two parties and their safety protocol is to separate the two parties and that is why Sergeant Needham saw him on the stairs waiting for security so he could know when to remove one of the parties from the club and this happened right when they were closing. The patrons that were there was because they were waiting for security to tell them it was clear.

Sergeant Needham stated Mr. Paulino did explain that but there were other patrons and Sergeant Needham stated that he explained that everyone needed to be off the premises after closing hours.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 that the violation had occurred.

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to issue a Warning.

Sergeant Needham also requested that the substance on the front windows be removed so there is a clear view inside the premises.

*List of Exhibits: Police report dated March 7, 2023.*

### **Other Business.**

#### **22. Liquor Server training programs – Discussion on whether to allow continuation of on-line programs that were allowed during COVID-19 pandemic.**

Ms. Steele stated that during the pandemic, the Commission had allowed on-line server training and a discussion would be held at the June 15, 2023 License Commission meeting if they wish to continue with allowing on-line training.

### **Communications**

Upon a roll call vote the Commission voted 3-0 to adjourn the meeting at 11:03 a.m.