

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
LICENSE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER  
JANUARY 31, 2019

ESTHER HOWLAND CHAMBERS

**Commission Members Present:** Anthony Salvidio, Chairman  
Walter Shea, Commissioner

**Commission Members Absent:** Barbara Haller, Commissioner

**Staff Present:** Lt. James Johnson, Worcester Police Department  
Alexandra Kalkounis, Law Department  
Jim Raciot, Inspectional Services  
Lt. Kevin Vescera, Fire Department  
Lt. William Ekberg, Fire Department  
Deborah Steele, Planning & Regulatory Services

**Minutes**

January 4, 2019, January 8, 2019

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the minutes of January 4, 2019.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the minutes of January 8, 2019.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Common Victualer Requests**

**I-1: George's Pizza, II, 70 Lake Avenue**

Request for common victualer license

Maged Tadrous appeared upon behalf of the application.

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

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license dated January 3, 2019 and received January 3, 2019.

**I-2: Tandoori Kebab, 560 Lincoln Street**

Request for common victualer license

Mohamad Jaara appeared upon behalf of the application.

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

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license dated January 3, 2019 and received January 3, 2019.

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

### **II-1: Ecotarium, 222 Harrington Way**

Request for one day liquor license

- February 15, 2019 – 6:30 p.m. -9:30 p.m.

Emily Rose appeared upon behalf of the application.

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

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license dated January 3, 2019 and received January 3, 2019.

### **II-2: St. Joan of Arc Church, 570 Lincoln Street**

Request for one day liquor license

- February 23, 2019 – 1:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Michael O'Rourke appeared upon behalf of the application. He stated that this is for their annual Irish Festival.

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

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license dated January 9, 2019 and received January 9, 2019.

### **II-3: Artists' Group of the Sprinkler Factory (A.G.S.F.), 38 Harlow Street**

a. Request for one day liquor license

- March 2, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
- March 30, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
- April 27, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
- May 4, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.10:00 p.m.
- June 1, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.10:00 p.m.
- July 13, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
- September 7, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
- October 19, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.10:00 p.m.

b. Request for entertainment license for live music

- March 2, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.10:00 p.m.
- March 30, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
- April 27, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.10:00 p.m.
- May 4, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.10:00 p.m.
- June 1, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.10:00 p.m.
- July 13, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. -10:00 p.m.
- September 7, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
- October 19, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.10:00 p.m.

Luis Farire appeared upon behalf of the applications. He stated that the events are for public art receptions and would request that the October 19, 2019 be amended to May 1, 2019.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor licenses and entertainment licenses with the amended date.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor licenses dated January 14, 2019 and received January 14, 2019.

Exhibit B: Application for one day entertainment licenses dated January 14, 2019 and received January 14, 2019.

**II-4: Holy Family Parish/St. Joseph Church, 10 DuPont Street-Leave to Withdraw**

Request for one day liquor license

- February 16, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license dated January 14, 2019 and received January 14, 2019.

**II-5: A.J. Bruno Concessions, LLC, 1929 Skyline Drive**

Request for one day liquor license

- January 31, 2019 – 4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
- February 9, 2019 – Noon-4:00 p.m.
- February 10, 2019 – 1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
- February 16, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m.

Anthony Bruno appeared upon behalf of the application. He stated that he would like to amend the February 10, 2019 date to February 17, 2019.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor licenses with the amended date.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor licenses dated January 11, 2019 and received January 11, 2019.

**Alcohol & Entertainment Requests**

**III-1: Bustos Bar & Grill, Inc. dba Bustos Bar & Grill, 251 Lincoln Street**

- a. Request for transfer of restaurant license for Brooks Pub
- b. Request for common victualer license
- c. Request for entertainment license for jukebox, TV, radio, live music

Item was postponed to the February 14, 2019 License Commission meeting.

Exhibit A: Application for transfer of restaurant license dated October 31, 2018 and received October 31, 2018.

Exhibit B: Application for common victualer license dated October 31, 2018 and received October 31, 2018.

Exhibit C: Application for entertainment license dated October 31, 2018 and received October 31, 2018.

**III-2: Chipotle Mexican Grill of Colorado, LLC, 49 Park Avenue (Suite 1)**

- a. Request for restaurant all alcohol license
- b. Request for common victualer license
- c. Request for entertainment license for radio

Attorney Rashi Mangalick along with Dan Basdel appeared upon behalf of the application.

Ms. Mangalick stated that this is a restaurant that will be opened in the new Trolley Yard and there will be outside seating.

Chairman Salvidio asked how the outside patio would be controlled. Mr. Basdel stated that it is all gated and you can only obtain entrance to the patio from inside the premises.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the restaurant all alcohol license, common victualer license, and entertainment license.

Exhibit A: Application for restaurant all alcohol license dated December 20, 2018 and received December 20, 2018.

Exhibit B: Application for common victualer license dated December 20, 2018 and received December 20, 2018.

Exhibit C: Application for entertainment license dated December 20, 2018 and received December 20, 2018.

**III-3: Marlboro Food Inc. dba 7 Eleven 34427C, 1326 Main Street**

- a. Request for transfer of package store malt license from Seven Hills Convenience, Inc.
- b. Request for common victualer license

John Brennan along with representatives of Marlboro Food, Inc. appeared upon behalf the application. Mr. Brennan stated that it is the exact same operation and is just a change of ownership.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the transfer of the package store malt and wine license and the common victualer license.

Exhibit A: Application for package store malt & wine dated January 15, 2019 and received January 15, 2019.

Exhibit B: Application for common victualer license dated January 15, 2019 and received January 15, 2019.

**III-4: Axe Throwing Massachusetts LLC, 179a Grafton Street - Postponed to 2/14/2019**

- a. Restaurant for restaurant all alcohol license
- b. Request for common victualer license
- c. Request for entertainment license for radio, amplification system

Exhibit A: Application for restaurant all alcohol license January 13, 2019 and received January 13, 2019.

Exhibit B: Application for common victualer license dated January 13, 2019 and received January 13, 2019.

Exhibit C: Application for entertainment license dated January 13, 2019 and received January 13, 2019.

**III-5: Mill Street Barbeque Company, LLC dba Big T's Mill Street BBQ Company, 242 Mill Street**

- a. Request for restaurant all alcohol license
- b. Request for common victualer license
- c. Request for entertainment license for jukebox, tv, radio, live music, karaoke

Bob Teft appeared upon behalf of the application.

Chair Salvidio stated that the Board had viewed the site prior to the meeting.

Member of the fire department expressed concern that live music may change the use designation of the establishment to a nightclub.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the restaurant all alcohol license, common victualer license, and entertainment license for jukebox, tv, radio, live music, karaoke

Exhibit A: Application for restaurant all alcohol license January 15, 2019 and received January 13, 2019.

Exhibit B: Application for common victualer license dated January 15, 2019 and received January 13, 2019.

Exhibit C: Application for entertainment license dated January 15, 2019 and received January 13, 2019.

**III-6: Gupta's Son Corporation, 759 Grafton Street**

Request for package store malt and wine license

Attorney Matthew Porter along with Ankit Gupta appeared upon behalf of the application.

Mr. Porter stated that Mr. Gupta has been at this location for the past year operating a convenience and smoke shop. During that time they have had numerous requests from customers for beer and wine and believe they will serve a niche in that area.

Chairman Salvidio stated that they took a view of the premises this morning and it is very tight in the store. The applicant had told the Commission that he would remove the smoke shop but if that happens all that will be left is some coolers for beer and wine and very little very else.

Chairman Salvidio noted that there is a liquor store within a stone's throw of this location.

Mr. Porter stated that store does not have a wide variety of craft beer and focuses on liquor sales.

Chairman Salvidio stated that he is struggling to see how six coolers is going to provide more variety than is offered at the package store currently in the area, as well as the fact there are two stores in close proximity to this proposed location.

Mr. Gupta stated that the other locations sell hard liquor and they do not carry craft beers which is what he wants to sell.

Chairman Salvidio asked if the smoke shop would remain. Mr. Gupta stated he would remove and put it up front and get rid of the grocery section.

Chairman Salvidio stated then all that is left is a beer and smoke shop.

Commissioner Shea stated that area is way too small to accommodate what the applicant is looking for and the area is well served by establishments already in the area.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to deny the package store malt & wine.

Exhibit A: Application for package store malt and wine license December 15, 2018 and received December 15, 2018.

**III-7: P.M.S. Hospitality, Inc. dba The Medusa's Saloon 274 Shrewsbury Street**

- a. Request for transfer of general on premises liquor license from CJ LLC
- b. Request for common victualer license
- c. Request for entertainment license for jukebox, tv, live music

Attorney Robert Hennigan along with Penny Marston and Monty Snellenberger appeared upon behalf of the application. Mr. Hennigan gave a brief overview of the work history of Ms. Marston and Ms. Snellenberger.

Chairman Salvidio asked if Ms. Marston and Ms. Snellenberger were TIPS trained and both stated that they were.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the transfer of general on premises liquor license from CJ LLC, common victualer license, and entertainment license for jukebox, tv, live music

Exhibit A: Application for transfer of general on premises liquor license dated December 18, 2018 and received December 18, 2018.

Exhibit B: Application for common victualer license dated December 18, 2018 and received December 18, 2018.

Exhibit C: Application for entertainment license dated December 18, 2018 and received December 18, 2018.

**III-8: JC Mason, LLC, 36-38 Franklin Street**

- a. Request for restaurant all alcohol license
- b. Request for common victualer license

Attorney Hong Tran along with Son Vo and Kim Tran appeared upon behalf of the applications. Mr. Tran stated that this will be a Sushi/Ramen noodle restaurant concept.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the restaurant all alcohol license and the common victualer license.

Exhibit A: Application for restaurant all alcohol license dated December 27, 2018 and received December 27, 2018.

Exhibit B: Application for common victualer license dated December 27, 2018 and received December 27, 2018.

**Hearings**

None

**Other Business**

**IV: 1: Dubai Restaurant & Lounge, 27 Pleasant Street-Postponed to 2/14/2019**

Request to remove detail officer on Sundays

**Communications**

- a. ABCC communication – Rescheduled ABCC Hearing- Mambo Drinks, Inc.
- b. ABCC communication – Bull Mansion Notice of Hearing
- c. ABCC communication – Jusstevin Inc. dba Loft 266

**Adjournment**

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m.