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SAFETY SERVICES & LICENSES COMMITTEE

Regular meeting of the Safety Services and Licenses Committee was held on Monday, March 4, 2013 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 P.M. by the Chair.

Present:
Councilman Richard D. Santamaria, Jr., Chair
Councilman Mario Aceto, Vice-Chair
Councilman Paul H. Archetto
Councilwoman Sarah Kales Lee
Councilman Michael V. Favicchio
Council Vice-President Michael J Farina
Council President John E. Lanni, Jr.

Also Present:
Marissa Campisani, Director of Constituent and Government Affairs
Major Robert Ryan, Police Department
Deputy Chief, Stephen MacIntosh, Fire Department
Evan Kirshenbaum, Assistant City Solicitor
Maria Medeiros Wall, City Clerk
Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees
Heather Finger, Stenographer

II. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council President Lanni, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and they stand approved as recorded. Motion passed unanimously.

III. CORRESPONDENCE:

City Clerk stated that the attorney for P & D Auto has asked for a continuance on their Show Cause Hearing.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Councilman Favicchio, it was voted to continue the Show Cause Hearing for P & D Auto. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

HOLIDAY SALES LICENSE – NEW (Ratification applicant appeared on Feb 4, 2013)
Evalife 1235 Oaklawn Ave.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Councilman Favicchio, it was voted to approve this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

V. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

FIREWORKS LICENSE PROCEDURE

Deputy Chief MacIntosh stated that the current Fire Codes allow temporary structures. The City of Cranston strengthens that by adding permanent buildings in the past. The Code could be amended to add permanent structures.

City Clerk indicated that the last Ordinance passed does not specify permanent structure. This license was created last year and this is the first year implementing this and it does not require the application to come before this Committee. It is issued administratively through her Office.

Councilman Aceto questioned why these applications would not come before this Committee. Chair asked Solicitor to redraft the Ordinance for the City Council meeting amending Section 5.70.050. Solicitor Kirshenbaum stated that the current process is, if for some reason the Clerk's Office denies the license application, the applicant can come before this Committee. City Clerk stated that if the Committee wishes to have these license applications come before this Committee, this also could be added to the Ordinance being re-drafted.

Deputy Chief MacIntosh stated that this would also include all supermarkets, gas stations and convenience stores that would be selling the fireworks.

Major Ryan indicated to Section 5.70.050 of the Code "Revocation of License" and suggested that this be re-drafted "to the vendor" instead of business address. If a vendor has multiple locations and has a problem with one location, it would affect all the locations the vendor has. Chair asked Solicitor to tighten up that language.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

SECONHAND LICENSE – NEW
Abra Kadabra Used Furniture 1272 Elmwood Ave.
Ronald Nelson

Ronald Nelson appeared to speak and stated hours of operation to be Mondays thu Saturdays 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Aceto, it was voted to approve this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. NEW LICENSE APPLICATIONS:

VICTUALLING LICENSE – NEW
Sombrero 716 Reservoir Ave.

Jose Gutreros appeared to speak and stated hours of operation to be 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M. Mondays thru Sundays in the Winter and 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 A.M. in the Summer.

No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Aceto, it was voted to approve this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

The Deli LLC d/b/a Delicious 20 Rolfe Square

Tracy McDonough appeared to speak and stated hours of operation to be 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Mondays thru Fridays and 8:30 A.M. to 12 Noon Saturdays. No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council Vice-President Farina, it was voted to approve this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

HOLIDAY SALES LICENSE – NEW
Saleh LLC D/b/a Bestway 280 Atwood Ave.

No one appeared to speak in favor or to oppose.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council Vice-President Farina, it was voted to table this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. TRAFFIC ENGINEER:

No business.

IX. POLICE DEPARTMENT:

No business.

X. FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Hazardous Storage:
RITE AID (Propane 24 tanks) 250 Atwood Ave.
[click here to view]

Deputy Chief MacIntosh appeared to speak.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council Vice-President Farina, it was voted to approve this application. Motion passed unanimously.

X. FIRE DEPARTMENT: (Cont.)

Hazardous Storage:
RITE AID (Propane 24 tanks) 548 Dyer Avenue
[click here to view]

Deputy Chief MacIntosh appeared to speak.

On motion by Council President Lanni, seconded by Council Vice-President Farina, it was voted to approve this application. Motion passed unanimously.

RITE AID (Propane 24 tanks) 570 Pontiac Avenue
[click here to view]

Deputy Chief MacIntosh appeared to speak.

On motion by Councilman Favicchio, seconded by Council President Lanni, it was voted to approve this application. Motion passed unanimously.

SPEEDY MART (Underground gasoline/diesel) 95 Warwick Ave.
Ratification of approval on 2/4/2013 [click here to view]

Deputy Chief MacIntosh appeared to speak.

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Favicchio, it was voted to approve this application. Motion passed unanimously.

XI. LICENSE RENEWALS:

PRIVATE DETECTIVE LICENSE – RENEWAL
Michael Manni 17 Hobson Avenue

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council Vice-President Farina, it was voted to approve this license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

FIREARMS DEALER LICENSE – RENEWAL
On Target Firearms 1 Gray Birch Drive

Councilman Aceto asked if this applicant is selling guns in a neighborhood. City Clerk indicated that she believes this person was a former Police Officer in another town and he was selling firearms online, but she can check the file and research this and provide the information for the Committee at the next meeting.

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Favicchio, it was voted to continue this license renewal application to next month and have the applicant appear. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Aceto asked Solicitor if there is anything that prevents someone from selling guns out of their home. Solicitor Kirshenbaum stated that the applicant would have to obtain approval from the Federal Government before they can apply to the City.

XI. LICENSE RENEWALS: (Cont.)

FIREARMS DEALER LICENSE – RENEWAL (Cont.)

Post Road Guns	2158 Plainfield Pike
Estates Unlimited	63 Fourth Ave.

On motion by Council President Lanni, seconded by Councilman Archetto, it was voted to approve the above-listed license renewal applications. Motion passed unanimously.

ALL NIGHT LICENSE – RENEWAL

Garden Shell	1207 Pontiac Ave.
Cranston Bowl	1450 Elmwood Ave.
CVS # 1414	1195 Oaklawn Ave.

On motion by Council President Lanni, seconded by Councilman Archetto, it was voted to approve the above-listed license renewal applications. Motion passed unanimously.

BOWLING ALLEY LICENSE – RENEWAL

Cranston Bowl	1450 Elmwood Ave.

On motion by Council President Lanni, seconded by Councilman Archetto, it was voted to approve this license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

VICTUALLING LICENSE – RENEWAL

Dear Heart's	2218 Broad Street

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Archetto, it was voted to approve this license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

HOLIDAY SALES LICENSE – RENEWAL

Atwood Wines & Spirits	426 Atwood Ave.
Jos A Bank Clothiers	80 Hillside Road
Cardsmart	1400 Oaklawn Ave.
Sonya's	766 Oaklawn Ave.
Lakeshore Learning Store	1400 Oaklawn Ave.
J Jill	78 Hillside Road
Crugnale Bakery	567 Reservoir Ave.
Wines & More of RI	125 Sockanosset
Royal Eyebrows Threading	39 Phenix Ave.
Golfer's Warehouse	60 Freeway Drive
Morin's Liquor Store	1621 Elmwood Ave.
REI	22 Chapel View
Classic Liquors	1358 Plainfield Pike
Gamestop #2349	286 Garfield Ave.
Gamestop #6145	1000 Chapel View Blvd.
Aldi	1015 Cranston St.
Cumberland Farms #1249	921 Cranston St.
Cumberland Farms #1279	659 Reservoir Ave.
Confreda Greenhouses	2150 Scituate Ave.

XI. LICENSE RENEWALS: (Cont.)

HOLIDAY SALES LICENSE – RENEWAL (Cont.)

Sweenor's Chocolates	43 Hillside Road
Pet Supplies Plus	171 Sock. Crossroads
Payless #4501	1400 Oaklawn Ave.
Ruggieri's Market	435 Atwood Ave.
Twice Told Tales	2145 Broad Street
General Oil	208 Gansett Ave.
Cohoes	156 Hillside Road
Amy's Hallmark	63 Hillside Road
Price Rite of Cranston	1415 Elmwood Ave.
Destination Maternity	85 Hillside Road
Elemani Ent.	951 Pontiac Ave.
Bath & Body Works	69 Hillside Road
Victoria's Secret	51 Hillside Road
The Time Capsule	537 Pontiac Ave.
BD Mart	1356 Cranston St.
Some Intimates	16 Hillside Rd.
Black Market White House	100 Midway Rd.
Ocean State Job Lot	1441 Elmwood Ave.
Yankee Candle	73 Hillside Road
EASY RV Outlet	1416 Park Ave.
Sleepy's	200 Garfield Ave
Sleepy's	21 Chapel View

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Councilman Favicchio, it was voted to approve all the above-listed license renewal applications. Motion passed unanimously.

SECONDHAND LICENSE – RENEWAL

The Time Capsule	537 Pontiac Ave.
GameStop #2349	286 Garfield Ave.
GameStop #6145	1000 Chapel View
Continental Coin	1212 Park Ave.
Philip Manzo Ent.	480 Reservoir Ave.
Post Road Guns	2158 Plainfield Pike
Fifth Avenue Jewelers	6 Rolfe Square
Christopher III	151 Park Ave.
International Used Appliances	531 Pontiac Ave.
Broad St Used Furniture	164 Park Ave.
Easy RV Outlet	1416 Park Ave.
Tag Sale Treasures	2154 Broad St

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Archetto, it was voted to approve all the above-listed license renewal applications. Motion passed unanimously.

XI. LICENSE RENEWALS: (Cont.)

USED CAR LICENSE – RENEWAL

The Car Lot	441 Dyer Ave.
JD Byrider	615 Reservoir Ave.
Westview Auto & Truck	1141 Cranston St.
Cullco	1300 Park Ave.
Cranston Auto Ignition	1152 Park Ave.
Sasa Enterprize Inc d/b/a Zinks Auto Sales	550 Atwood Ave.
Gershkoff Enterprises	1085 Cranston St.
Park Avenue Auto Sales	716 Park Ave.
R & S Auto sales	950 Wellington Ave.
D & M Motor Sales	50 Liberia St.

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Council President Lanni, it was voted to approve all the above-listed license renewal applications. Motion passed unanimously.

GRAVEL BANK LICENSE – RENEWAL

PJ Keating	875 Phenix Ave.

On motion by Councilwoman Lee, seconded by Council President Lanni, it was voted to approve the above license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE – RENEWAL

RI Shriners – Event 7//7/2013	1 Rhodes Place

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Favicchio, it was voted to approve the above license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

PEDDLER'S LICENSE – RENEWAL

RI Kona	4 Cider Lane

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Favicchio, it was voted to approve the above license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

XII. SHOW CAUSE HEARING :

P D Auto 598 Atwood Avenue

This item is continued on the request of applicant's attorney.

Dollar Tree (early morning dumpster pickup) 1776 Plainfield Pike

No one appeared to represent Dollar Tree.

XII. SHOW CAUSE HEARING : (Cont.)

Patriots Disposal 1776 Plainfield Pike

Matthew Leder, Safety Director for Vinagro, owner of Patriots Disposal, appeared to speak and stated that he appeared before this Committee a few months ago regarding the same issue and stated that at the time the company was in the process of installing GPS in their trucks and he is looking to find out the exact date of the incident in order for him to find out who the driver was.

William Morocco, 135 West View Dr., appeared to speak and stated that the early dumpster pickup has been going on at least since December, 2011. This has been going on for a long time, on and off. The last time the dumpster was picked up early was last Friday at 4:01 A.M. He stated that he understands that due to the location, this would be the first stop as a practical situation, but this cannot go on.

Mr. Leder gave Mr. Morocco his business card for him to call him personally at any time if this occurs again and he assured him and the City Council that this will be addressed.

Councilman Favicchio asked if there is any violation that can be implemented to the company. Solicitor Kirshenbaum stated that a company is operating outside normal hours of operation. Before any type of fine or restriction is implemented, the company should be given the opportunity to search this complaint and he suggested this issue be continued to next month.

Chair asked if anyone from the Dollar Tree has contacted the company regarding this issue. Mr. Leder stated that a representative from the store, who handles the contract with Patriots Disposal, contacted him today to inquire if anyone from Patriots Disposal would be attending this meeting because they could not.

Council President Lanni asked what Patriots Disposal's hours of operation are. Mr. Leder stated that it depends on the City, but there should not be any pickup anywhere at 4:00 A.M.

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Aceto, it was voted to continue this item to next month's meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

XIII. MONTHLY SCHEDULES:

RHODES ON THE PAWTUXET:
Schedule of events for February thru April 2013- submitted in Feb.

TIPICO RESTAURANT & LOUNGE
Schedule of Events for March 2013 [click here to view]

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Archetto, it was voted to approve this list of events. Motion passed unanimously.

XIII. MONTHLY SCHEDULES:

PARK THEATRE
Schedule of Events for February and March 2013- submitted in Feb.

EL TAPATIO
Events for March 2013 [click here to view]

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Archetto, it was voted to approve this list of events. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalba Zanni
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees