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## **SAFETY SERVICES & LICENSES COMMITTEE**

Regular meeting of the Safety Services and Licenses Committee was held on Monday, July 1, 2013 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

### **I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 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: Gerald Cordy, Director of Administration  
Major John Schaffran, 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 Vice-President Farina, 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 Grill 505 has sent in notice that they are withdrawing their Expansion of Premise application at this time.

### **IV. OLD BUSINESS:**

**EXPANSION OF PREMISE - NEW (CONT'D FROM 5/6)**  
**Grill 505 LLC d/b/a Sharx Club 505**

505 Atwood Ave.

Withdrawn by applicant.

**IV. OLD BUSINESS: (Cont.)**

**CLASS F - 19 HOUR LIQUOR LICENSE - NEW (Tabled 6/3/13)**  
*Cranston Senior Services - event 10/10/13* 1070 Cranston St.

No one appeared to speak.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Councilman Archetto, it was voted to continue this license application to next month's meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

**HOLIDAY SALES LICENSE - NEW (Tabled 6/3/13)**  
*Mystical Madness 10 AM – 4 PM* 2172 Broad St.

**Mary Foley** appeared to speak and stated hours of operation to be 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM Mondays thru Saturdays and 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM Sundays. No one appeared to oppose.

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

**V. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

**\*Climate Control Systems** 34 Pengrove St.  
Re: Parking complaints

**Joseph DiTraglia**, 16 Kimberly Lane North, appeared to speak.

**Councilman Archetto** stated that he has received complaints from constituents of vehicles parked in the street on Pengrove St. for long period of time.

**Mr. DiTraglia** stated that the issue has been resolved as of last week and assured the Committee that this will not happen again. They have ten employees who take their vans home and they all reported to the company at the same time which created the parking issue. They have now staggered the reporting days and times.

**VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**SECONDHAND LICENSE - NEW**  
*Abra Kadabra Used Furniture* 742 Dyer Ave.  
Ronald Nelson

**Ronald Nelson** appeared to speak and stated hour of operation to be 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM Mondays thru Saturdays. No one appeared to oppose.

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

**VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS: (Cont.)**

**SECONDHAND/USED CAR LICENSE - NEW**

*Car Hop*  
David Grimm

420 Atwood Ave.

**David Grimm** appeared to speak.

**Councilman Aceto** asked if cars are being repaired at this location. Mr. Grimm stated, no. Councilman Aceto asked what total capacity of cars is. Mr. Grimm stated, 19. No one appeared to oppose.

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

**Resolution Urging the members of the RI General Assembly to Introduce and Pass Legislation Authorizing the City of Cranston to be Exempted from the Provisions of RI Gen. Laws Section 3-7-19 (2002) (2170 Broad Street) [\[click to view\]](#)**

**Francisco Lopez** appeared to speak and presented a copy of a letter from the Church and stated that he also provided a copy of this letter to Representative McNamara. No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Councilman Favicchio, it was voted to recommend approval of this Resolution subject to General Assembly approval of legislation. Motion passed unanimously.

**VII. NEW LICENSE APPLICATIONS:**

**PARADE LICENSE - NEW**  
*Texas Roadhouse - event 8/4/13*

99 Garfield Ave.

No one appeared to speak.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council President Lanni, it was voted to refer this license application to the full City Council. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE CLASS II - NEW**  
*Texas Roadhouse - event 8/4/13*

99 Garfield Ave.

No one appeared to speak.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council President Lanni, it was voted to refer this license application to the full City Council. Motion passed unanimously.

**VII. NEW LICENSE APPLICATIONS: (Cont.)**

**VICTUALLING LICENSE - NEW**

***Vital Health & Nutrition LLC***

1675 Cranston St.

**Jessica Seymkiewicz** appeared to speak and stated hours of operation to be 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM Mondays thru Fridays and 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM Saturdays and Sundays. No one appeared to oppose.

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

***Pastabilities***

935 Park Avenue

**Michael McAteer**, former owner, appeared to speak and stated that he is selling this business to the applicant and there is a payment due from the applicant. His concern is he never and has not turned his license in yet.

**Solicitor** stated that this Committee does not have jurisdiction to deny this application based on that.

**John Capobianco**, appeared to speak representing his wife, the applicant, and stated that he is not trying to hurt or do anything to Mr. McAteer. He just wants to make sure he is not going to be delayed as far as operation is concerned.

**Solicitor** stated that if the person applying for the license does not live up to the contract, the former owner can sue them civilly in Court. He indicated that the license is properly before this Committee. If the seller has any problems with the applicant, he can take the applicant to Court.

**City Clerk** stated that by the Committee by approving this application, it only allows him to operate at that location. Ultimately, it is up to the landlord as to who he leases the location to.

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

**VIII. TRAFFIC ENGINEER:**

None.

**IX. POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

**Major Schaffran** stated that El Tapatio is grandfathered in for outdoor seating. They are requesting to place a tent in their parking lot for St. Mary's Feast fireworks. In the past, this Committee has fined this business for violation. If this establishment plans on having expansion with the tent, the Police Department recommends two detail Police Officers be hired.

**Chair** asked that the applicant be notified to hire two Police Officers.

**City Clerk** stated that she spoke to El Tapatio and also Thirsty Beaver, who wanted to put a tent in their parking lot. She informed both establishments that they could not erect tents in their parking lots. When she indicated this to El Tapatio, the manager stated that he would put the tent over the patio, which was consistent with his expansion of service license.

**X. FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

None.

**XI. LICENSE RENEWALS:**

**GAME ROOM LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*Legion Bowl*

661 Park Ave.

*Lang's Bowl*

225 Niantic Ave.

**AUTO REPAIR LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*First Choice Auto*

1586 Broad St.

*Oaklawn Mobil*

975 Oaklawn Ave.

*Victor Cima & Son Garage*

1385 Cranston St.

*Airport Auto Radiator*

598 Atwood Ave.

*Jiffy Lube*

1440 Park Ave.

*Brosco Motors*

1769 Cranston St.

*Gershkoff Ent*

1085 Cranston St.

*Park Avenue Auto*

716 Park Ave.

*Rocket Auto Sales*

886 Cranston St.

*Harold Crooks*

10 Gansett Ave.

*Tyler truck*

86 Calder St.

*CB Truck*

140 Farmington Ave.

*Spring Green Auto*

1664 Elmwood Ave.

*Edgewood Service*

1647 Broad St.

*Pontiac Service*

734 Pontiac Ave.

*Auto Probe*

1583 Elmwood Ave.

*R & S Auto*

950 Wellington Ave.

*Dyer Ave Motors*

454 Dyer Ave.

*Distinctive Auto*

164 Fountain Ave.

*American Performance Petroleum*

964 Cranston St.

**XI. LICENSE RENEWALS: (Cont.)**

**GAME ROOM LICENSE – RENEWAL (Cont.)**

<i>Culco</i>	1300 Park Ave.
<i>Revision Automotive</i>	275 Niantic Ave.
<i>M &amp; G ENT</i>	460 Atwood Ave.
<i>The Car Lot</i>	441 Dyer Ave.
<i>Knightsville Super Service</i>	1487 Park Ave.
<i>ABCGAS 1</i>	1036 Reservoir Ave.
<i>Steven's Auto</i>	90 Liberia St.
<i>E &amp; R Automotive</i>	26 Field St.
<i>Elmwood Auto Service</i>	71 Glen Road
<i>Emmanuel's</i>	21 Calef St.
<i>East Side Collision Center</i>	2050 Plainfield Pike
<i>Hero Auto Service</i>	1650 Cranston St.
<i>Park Ave Getty</i>	266 Park Ave.
<i>Sam's Auto Group</i>	936 Cranston St.

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Aceto, it was voted to take all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Aceto, it was voted to approve all the above-listed license renewal applications except for "East Side Collision Center". Motion passed unanimously.

**Council President Lanni** asked for clarification on the license renewal application for "East Side Collision Center". He stated that this is an empty lot with a few cars parked there.

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilman Aceto, it was voted to continue the license renewal application for "East Side Collision Center". Motion passed unanimously.

**AMUSEMENT MACHINE LICENSE - RENEWAL**

<i>Pizza Hut</i>	1112 Reservoir Ave
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On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Council President Lanni, it was voted to approve this license renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

**ALL NIGHT LICENSE - RENEWAL**

<i>Lang's Bowl</i>	225 Niantic Ave.
<i>Dunkin Donuts</i>	630 Reservoir Ave.

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

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.

**XI. LICENSE RENEWALS: (Cont.)**

**BOWLING ALLEY LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*Lang's Bowl*

225 Niantic Ave.

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

**PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*Lang's Bowl*

225 Niantic Ave.

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

**PRIVATE DETECTIVE LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*James Lynch -*

*Thomas Underhill - #458*

25 Ash Ave.

6 Beverly Ann Drive

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

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

**XII. SHOW CAUSE HEARING:**

None.

**XIII. MONTHLY SCHEDULES:**

**RHODES ON THE PAWTUXET:**

*Schedule of events for June to August 2013 - (SUBMITTED IN MAY)*

No action.

**\*TIPICO RESTAURANT & LOUNGE**

*Schedule of events for July and AUGUST 2013* [\[click to view\]](#)

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

**XIII. MONTHLY SCHEDULES: (Cont.)**

**PARK THEATRE**

*List of events for the rest of the year 2013 and beginning of 2014* [\[click to view\]](#)

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

**EL TAPATIO**

*Events for July 2013* [\[click to view\]](#)

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

he meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Rosalba Zanni  
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees