

*(The following is not a verbatim transcript of comments or discussion that occurred during the meeting, but rather a summarization intended for general informational purposes. All motions and votes are the official records).*

## **SAFETY SERVICES & LICENSES COMMITTEE**

Regular meeting of the Safety Services and Licenses Committee was held on Monday, August 5, 2013 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 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  
Council Vice-President Michael J Farina  
Council President John E. Lanni, Jr.

Absent: Councilman Michael W. Favicchio

Also Present: Councilman Donald Botts, Jr.  
Councilman Steven A. Stycos  
Marissa Campisani, Director of Constituent and Government Affairs  
Captain Stephen Antonucci, 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:**

**Chair** stated that Councilman Botts has asked to address the Committee.

**Councilman Botts** asked that proposed Ordinance 7-13-7 be withdrawn and another Ordinance will be re-drafted and be re-introduced.

**IV. OLD BUSINESS:**

**CLASS F - 19 HOUR LIQUOR LICENSE - New (Contd 7/5/2013)**  
***Cranston Senior Services - event 10/10/13***

1070 Cranston St.

No one appeared to speak in favor or to oppose.

**Chair** questioned what type of event this will be.

**Ms. Campisani** stated that she is not sure and asked that this license application be continued.

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

***AL- MALL MINI MART*** (Review from 2/2013)

41 Warwick Ave.

**Michael Coelho** appeared to speak. No one appeared to oppose.

**Chair** asked Police Department to stated if there have been any incidents in the last six months. Captain Antonucci stated that over the last six months, there have been no issues with this establishment.

**Councilman Stycos** asked that the area be kept clean of trash and no crates be kept outside. He asked that staff patrol outside of the business regularly.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council Vice-President Farina, it was voted to remove this item from the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

***East Side Collision Center*** (Cont 7/1/2013)

2050 Plainfield Pike

**Council President Lanni** asked that this item be removed from the agenda.

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

**CLASS B VICTUALLING LICENSE - New \* ABOVE THE CAP # 79** \*2170 Broad Street  
***TORG LLC D/B/A THE ELEPHANT ROOM***

\*within 200 of Pawtuxet Baptist Church . Referred from City Council 7/ 22/2012

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

**V. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

***FITZ-PATRICKS PUB***

1145 Park Ave.

Requested to appear re: abandonment of liquor license [\[click to view\]](#)

No one appeared to represent establishment.

V. **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:** (Cont.)

***FITZ-PATRICKS PUB (Cont.)***

1145 Park Ave.

**Councilman Aceto** asked if any correspondence has been received from this establishment regarding this issue. City Clerk stated that the owner of the property notified the City that Fitz-Patrick's is no longer in operation of the business. We have a copy of the Court Order giving the landlord possession of the premises. The owner of the property has someone interested in applying for a license at this location. A letter was sent to the establishment by her office requesting that they appear this evening.

**Solicitor Kirshenbaum** stated that the City Code states that if a business ceases to operate for 90 days or more, then after given due notice, the license shall be revoked.

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilwoman Lee, it was voted to revoke the license for this establishment.

Under Discussion:

**Councilman Aceto** asked what the date is that this establishment shut down. City Clerk stated that she does not have the exact date, but can contact the landlord and find out. Councilman Aceto suggested that we find out the exact date that this establishment ceased to operate and wait the 90 days from that date before the license is revoked.

**Chair** stated that the City Clerk has contacted the landlord and the business ceased to operate June 30<sup>th</sup>. September 30<sup>th</sup> would be the 90<sup>th</sup> day and the City Clerk will send a certified letter to the business owner advising him of this.

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Council President Lanni, it was voted to revoke the liquor license for this establishment on September 30<sup>th</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**AUTO REPAIR LICENSE - NEW**  
***REYES AUTO REPAIR***

162 Fletcher Ave.

**Estaban Urizar** appeared to speak. 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.

**CLASS BVICTUALLING - EXPANSION OF PREMISE - RENEWAL**  
***Christopher's Cranston Deli***

1478 Park Ave.

**Robert Coleman** appeared to speak. 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.

**VII. ORDINANCES:**

**7-13-7 Ordinance in amendment of Title 5, Chapter 44 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Business Licenses and Regulations” (Itinerant Food Vendor License).**

[\[click to view\]](#)

This Ordinance was withdrawn by sponsor.

**7-13-8 Ordinance in amendment of Title 5.64 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Business Licenses and Regulations” (Public Entertainment Expiration Date).** [\[click to view\]](#)

On motion by Councilman Archetto, seconded by Councilman Aceto, it was voted to recommend approval of this Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

**VIII. NEW LICENSE APPLICATIONS:**

**VICTUALLING LICENSE - NEW**  
***Shore’s Market - Hours 8AM - 6PM***

425 Atwood Ave.

**Scott Shore** appeared to speak. No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Council President Lanni, seconded by Councilman Aceto, it was voted to recommend approval of this Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

***Baskets from Heaven d/b/a 1-800 Flowers Heavenly***  
***Hours M – S 10-7***

1000 Chapel View Blvd.

**Rose Barbosa** appeared to speak. No one appeared to oppose.

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

***Sushi Forte***  
***hours M- Th 10AM - 10PM Fri/Sat 10AM - 11PM Sun 4-10PM***

800 Oaklawn Ave.

**Cardin Kwei Kwong Lau** appeared to speak. No one appeared to oppose.

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

**PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT CLASS II - NEW**  
***Mulligan’s Island - haunted houses 9/27-11/3***

@1000 New London Ave.

**James Pickett** appeared to speak.

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

**PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT CLASS II - NEW (Cont.)**

***Mulligan's Island - haunted houses 9/27-11/3***

@1000 New London Ave.

**Councilman Stycos** questioned how much noise this event would cause. Michael Accomando of Spooky World, appeared to speak and addressed the noise factor and stated that other than some screams or low pitch sound noise, there should not be any problems.

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

Chair left meeting at 8:00 P.M. and Vice-Chair conducted remainder of the meeting.

**TOBACCO LICENSE - NEW**

***Cigar Word HOURS - 7AM - 9PM***

1300 Park Ave.

**Anthony Acosta** appeared to speak. No one appeared to oppose.

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

***Shore's Market***

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

425 Atwood Ave

**PARADE LICENSE - NEW**

***Kermesse Sport - Bike Ride - 10/6/13***

Starting At Park View Blvd  
Down Park Avenue to Scituate Ave

**Brian Ignatin** appeared to speak and stated that 300-500 cyclists are anticipated. They are working with the Police Department for Police details during the event. No one appeared to oppose.

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

**PEDDLER LICENSE - NEW**

***New England Slush Company - 1 truck***

174 Gansett Ave.

**Derek Nelson** appeared to speak. No one appeared to oppose.

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

**IX. TRAFFIC ENGINEER:**

No business.

**Solicitor Kirshenbaum** reported that the Chair has selected August 14<sup>th</sup> for date for which we will have a forum and take suggestions for a proposed Ordinance on restrictions regarding issuance of Entertainment License and facilities of under 100. This is based on suggestions by the Department of Business Regulations.

**X. POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

No business.

**XI. FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

No business.

**XII. LICENSE RENEWALS:**

**USED CAR LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*Calder Street Auto*

121 Calder St.

*Patriot Auto Center*

1400 Plainfield Pike

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilwoman Lee, it was voted to approve 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 applications. Motion passed unanimously.

**AUTO REPAIR LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*Calder Street Auto*

121 Calder St.

*Classic Car Sales*

971 Cranston St.

*Centry Auto Body*

510 Atwood Ave.

*Montan Auto*

125 Niantic Ave.

*Bautista Auto Repair*

107 Fletcher Ave.

*Tasca Automotive*

1300 Pontiac Ave.

*Joe's Service*

855 Atwood Ave.

*Dino's Service*

265 Station St.

On motion by Council Vice-President Farina, seconded by Councilwoman Lee, it was voted to approve 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 applications. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**ALL NIGHT LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*Miss Cranston Diner*  
*Cranston Bowl*  
*CVS # 212*  
*Honey Dew*

1224 Oaklawn Ave.  
1450 Elmwood Ave.  
636 Reservoir Ave.  
300 Atwood Ave.

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

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

**CLASS F - 19 HOUR LIQUOR LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*Annunciation Greek Church - festival 9/6,7,8,2013*

175 Oaklawn 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.

**BAZAAR LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*Annunciation Greek Church - festival 9/6,7,8,2013*

175 Oaklawn 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.

**TEMPORARY STRUCTURE - RENEWAL**

*Annunciation Greek Church - festival 9/6,7,8,2013*

175 Oaklawn 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.

*At the Gardens Gate - festival September*

50 Rolfe Square

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

**VICTUALLING LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*Annunciation Greek Church - festival 9/6,7,8,2013*

175 Oaklawn 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.

*Whole Foods Market*

151 Sock Crs Rd.

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

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

**PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT - RENEWAL**

*Annunciation Greek Church - festival 9/6,7,8,2013*

175 Oaklawn 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.

*At the Gardens Gate- festival September*

50 Rolfe Square

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

**PARADE LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*Santa Maria DiPrata - feast Aug 30- Sep 2*

29 Walnut Grove 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.

**FIREWORKS LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*Santa Maria DiPrata*

29 Walnut Grove 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.

**CARNIVAL LICENSE - RENEWAL**

*Santa Maria DiPrata*

29 Walnut Grove 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.

*At the Gardens Gate - festival September*

50 Rolfe Square

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

**XIII. MONTHLY SCHEDULES:**

**RHODES ON THE PAWTUXET:**

*Schedule of events up to October 31, 2013- actual number of attendees for May and June*

[\[click to view\]](#)

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

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

**TIPICO RESTAURANT & LOUNGE**  
*Schedule of Events August and September*

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

**PARK THEATRE**  
*Updated Schedule of Events for rest of the year* [\[click to view\]](#)

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

**EL TAPATIO**  
*Events for August and September* [\[click to view\]](#)

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

Council Vice-President Farina stated that this establishment closed their doors on August 1<sup>st</sup>.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

**Richard T. Bray, Sr.**, appeared to speak on proposed Ord. 7-13-7, which was taken off the agenda earlier. He stated that he is appalled at what the Democratic Council has done. He and former Council Vice-President Livingston worked on this issue for years.

**Eric Weiner**, 56 Chestnut Hill Ave., appeared to speak on proposed Ord. 7-13-7, which was taken off the agenda earlier. He stated that food vendors support the people of the City and are good for all business.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Rosalba Zanni  
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees