

MINUTES
CITY OF ST. CHARLES
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
ALD. MAUREEN LEWIS, CHAIR
MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2020
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 2 EAST MAIN STREET

1. Call to Order

Chairman Lewis called the meeting to order at 8:12 pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Ald. Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft, Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner

Absent: None

3. Administrative

- a. Fuel Tax Receipts February 2020 – Information Only
- b. Video Gaming Statistics February 2020 – Information Only

4. Omnibus Vote

Items with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine matters and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a council member/citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in normal sequence on the agenda.

5. Police Department

- a. **Recommendation to approve a Proposal for an E4 Liquor License Application for Pollyanna Brewing Company's Summer Soiree Event taking place on July 18, 2020 at 106 S Riverside Avenue, St. Charles.**

Chief Keegan covered the proposal, and shared that the Liquor Control Commission approved earlier today with a 4-0 vote. The approval would allow the event sponsor to make plans, and is contingent upon any governmental sanctions regarding public gatherings, social distancing, etc., pertaining to COVID-19, which would affect this event if the sanctions extend into the summer. Pollyanna has done these events at other location and the turnout has been large. All fees for any signage, barricades, City electric, or City personnel will be absorbed by the Event sponsor. The site will be fenced and secure, and the attendees will be credentialed.

Motion by Ald. Pietryla, second by Ald. Vitek to recommend the approval of a Proposal for an E4 Liquor License Application for Pollyanna Brewing Company's Summer Soiree Event taking place on July 18, 2020 at 106 S Riverside Avenue, St. Charles. contingent upon any governmental sanctions regarding public gatherings, social distancing, etc., pertaining to COVID-19.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; Nays: None; Abstain: Stellato. **Motion Carried**

b. Recommendation to approve a proposal for a new class New E1 Liquor License for D & G Brewing for the St. Charles Craft Beer Festival taking place on May 30, 2020 in Lincoln Park.

Chief Keegan reminded that this is the third year this type of event is being held. It is technically a new event even though it is very similar to the previous two years when the non-profit benefactor was Breakfast Rotary Club. The Park District has secured the event space. We are expecting a large turnout of approximately 1500 attendees, and two police officers will be stationed. Liquor Control Commission approved earlier today with a 4-0 vote.

Motion by Ald. Pietryla, second by Ald. Turner to recommend the approval of a proposal for a road closure, amplification permit, and class New E1 Liquor License for D & G Brewing for the St. Charles Craft Beer Festival taking place on May 30, 2020 in Lincoln Park, contingent upon any governmental sanctions regarding public gatherings, social distancing, etc., pertaining to COVID-19.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; Nays: None; Abstain: Stellato. **Motion Carried**

c. Recommendation to approve a Proposal for a New Class E-4 Temporary Liquor License and a Loudspeaker Application for a Special Event, Unwind Wednesdays, to be held on the First Street Plaza.

Chief Keegan reminded the committee that this event has come before the committee for the last 4 years. This temporary license request is for a series of fourteen (14) events to be held on Wednesday evenings from 5-8 p.m. Three new businesses are partnering with McNallys for this event: Gia Mia, Alter Brewing, and La Mesa. Za Za's has been contacted and opted out, with no stated concerns. A new aspect of this year's event is that the St. Charles Business Alliance is requesting First Street be closed from Main Street to the opening of the parking garage, in order to enlarge the space and showcase the new East Plaza. Amy Curione from the St. Charles Business Alliance says that it is yet unknown whether there will be seating provided on the East Plaza for this event. The consumption area is limited and fenced, with stanchions, to omit the Riverwalk area. The Liquor Control Commission approved earlier today with a 4-0 vote.

Motion by Ald. Pietryla, second by Ald. Bessner to recommend the approval of a Proposal for a New Class E-4 Temporary Liquor License and a Loudspeaker Application for a Special Event, Unwind Wednesdays, to be held on the First Street Plazas, contingent upon any governmental sanctions regarding public gatherings, social distancing, etc., pertaining to COVID-19.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; Nays: None; Abstain: Stellato. **Motion Carried**

d. Recommendation to approve Late Night Permits for Class B, C and G licenses of the City of St. Charles for FY 2020/2021, effective June 1, 2020.

Chief Keegan says that these permits will take effect on June 1 instead of May 1 this year, and last for eleven months. The fees are not prorated. There are approximately 100 licenses, and 26 of those applied for a late night permit. Each City department looks at their area to confirm that the business is complying with City requirements and there are no outlying issues. The executive summary contains details of license types, 1:00 am and 2:00 am businesses, and previous incidents for each business, if any. There were no warning letters or liquor violations, aside for tax payment issues, issued by the police department for these businesses in the last year. Note that the number of police calls is related to the volume of patrons, and that explains the higher numbers for Alley 64. Chief Keegan feels that the businesses are partnering with the police department for enforcement. Most of the police calls are generated by the business vs. by patrons or neighbors. Chris Minick confirmed that Tap House Grill is current with their tax payments.

On a separate note, Chief Keegan says that there have not been issues with the carry-out operations happening during the COVID-19 crisis.

Motion by Ald. Pietryla, second by Ald. Vitek to recommend the approval of Late Night Permits for Class B, C and G licenses of the City of St. Charles for FY 2020/2021, effective June 1, 2020.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; Nays: None; Abstain: Stellato. **Motion Carried**

***e. Recommendation for Approval of the use of West First Street Plaza and Amplification License for the STC Live.**

Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Turner to recommend the approval of the use of West First Street Plaza and Amplification License for the STC Live, contingent upon any governmental sanctions regarding public gatherings, social distancing, etc., pertaining to COVID-19.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; Nays: None; Abstain: Stellato. **Motion Carried.**

***f. Recommendation to Approve Street and Parking Lot Closures and Use of Amplification Equipment for the 2020 Fox Valley Marathon.**

Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Turner to recommend the approval of Street and Parking Lot Closures and Use of Amplification Equipment for the 2020 Fox Valley Marathon, contingent upon any governmental sanctions regarding public gatherings, social distancing, etc., pertaining to COVID-19.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; **Nays:** None; **Abstain:** Stellato. **Motion Carried.**

g. **Recommendation to Approve Proposed Revisions to the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.**

Chief Keegan shared that these changes were approved at the March 9 meeting of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners. Some simpler language and administrative changes are included.

Motion by Ald. Turner, second by Ald. Bessner to recommend the approval of Proposed Revisions to the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; **Nays:** None; **Abstain:** Stellato. **Motion Carried**

6. Finance Department

*a. January, 2020 Budget Revisions

Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Turner to recommend the approval of January, 2020 Budget Revisions.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; **Nays:** None; **Abstain:** Stellato. **Motion Carried.**

*b. February, 2020 Budget Revisions

Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Turner to recommend the approval of February, 2020 Budget Revisions.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; **Nays:** None; **Abstain:** Stellato. **Motion Carried.**

*c. March, 2020 Budget Revisions

Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Turner to recommend the approval of March, 2020 Budget Revisions

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; **Nays:** None; **Abstain:** Stellato. **Motion Carried.**

- *d. Recommendation to approve an Ordinance Reserving and Authorizing the Transfer of Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues and Related Matters.

Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Turner to recommend the approval of an Ordinance Reserving and Authorizing the Transfer of Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues and Related Matters.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; **Nays:** None; **Abstain:** Stellato. **Motion Carried.**

7. Information Systems

- a. **Recommendation to approve an agreement with IT Solutions Group, Inc. for professional services, software, and hardware for a not-to-exceed cost of \$51,101.**

Motion by Ald. Turner, second by Ald. Vitek to recommend the approval of an agreement with IT Solutions Group, Inc. for professional services, software, and hardware for a not-to-exceed cost of \$51,101.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; **Nays:** None; **Abstain:** Stellato. **Motion Carried.**

8. Human Resources

- a. Recommendation to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement between the City of St. Charles and the Metropolitan Alliance of Police St. Charles Chapter 27 (Police Officers).

Jenn McMahon shared that the negotiation was an “interest-based” bargaining which is a more collaborative style, and a tentative agreement was reached in three meetings. The agreement is for four years.

Motion by Ald. Bessner, second by Ald. Vitek to recommend the approval of an agreement with IT Solutions Group, Inc. for professional services, software, and hardware for a not-to-exceed cost of \$51,101.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vitek, Pietryla, Bessner, Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft; **Nays:** None; **Abstain:** Stellato. **Motion Carried.**

9. Additional Items from Mayor, Council, Staff, or Citizens.

10. Executive Session

- Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)
- Pending Litigation – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)
- Probable or Imminent Litigation – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)
- Property Acquisition – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)
- Collective Bargaining – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)

- Review of Executive Session Minutes – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)

11. Adjournment

Motion by Ald. Turner second by Ald. Bessner to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 pm.

Voice Vote: Ayes: Unanimous; Nays None; Chairman Lewis did not vote as chair.

Motion Carried

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