

MINUTES
CITY OF ST. CHARLES
LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 16, 2021, 4:30 PM
2 E MAIN STREET

1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Vitek at 4:30 pm.

2. Roll Call.

Present: Ms. Zollers, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Pietryla

Absent: Mr. Gehm

3. Motion to accept and place on file minutes of the Special Liquor Control Commission meeting held on July 27, 2021.

Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Pietryla to accept and place on file minutes of the Special Liquor Control Commission meeting held on July 27, 2021.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Bancroft; Ald. Pietryla Ms. Zollers; Nays: None. Liquor Commissioner Vitek did not vote as Commissioner. **Motion Carried**

4. Recommendation to approve a Proposal for a Class D-10 Liquor License for Moonlight Theatre, Located at 7 S. Second Avenue, St. Charles.

Chief Keegan explained the Moonlight Theatre holds 250 people, specializes in professional theater, live comedy, bands, and children's workshops. Service of alcohol will be from a snack bar on the first floor and patrons will consume beverages at their seats. The D-10 license classification was recently approved by City Council in anticipation of this license application. Representatives from the Moonlight Theatre were present.

Ms. Zollers asked if any other employees of the theatre will be Basset trained. The applicant responded that other staff members will be required to be Basset trained. Chief Keegan stated that the theatre would be responsible for keeping Basset information on file and available upon request.

Motion by Ms. Zollers, second by Ald. Bancroft to Recommend to approve a Proposal for a Class D-10 Liquor License for Moonlight Theatre, Located at 7 S. Second Avenue, St. Charles.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Bancroft; Ald. Pietryla Ms. Zollers; Nays: None. Liquor Commissioner Vitek did not vote as Commissioner. **Motion Carried**

5. Recommendation to approve a Proposal for a New Class E-2 Special Event Liquor License for Pollyanna Brewing Company for their Octoberfest Event being held on

October 10, 2021, from noon – 7:00 pm at 106 S Riverside Avenue in the South Parking Lot.

Pollyanna Brewing would like to hold an Oktoberfest event offering polka music and German-themed food. They are expecting 300 – 500 participants and would like to expand into the parking lot to offer more space than what their current outdoor dining provides.

Ryan Weidner explained that the event will take place on the south side of the building. He wants to offer a bit more room than what's allowed right now.

Ms. Zollers asked if he's ever run this type of event before. Mr. Weidner explained that this is the 13th Oktoberfest event he's done, but the first in St. Charles.

Chief Keegan noted that during an event liquor is only allowed if the street is closed or it's in conjunction with a licensed establishment. The Riverside Ave., street closure is on the Government Operations Agenda later in the evening.

Motion by Ald. Pietryla, second by Ald. Bancroft to Recommend to approve a Proposal for a New Class E-2 Special Event Liquor License for Pollyanna Brewing Company for their Oktoberfest Event being held on October 10, 2021 from noon – 7:00 pm at 106 S Riverside Avenue in the South Parking Lot.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Bancroft; Ald. Pietryla Ms. Zollers; Nays: None. Liquor Commissioner Vitek did not vote as Commissioner. **Motion Carried**

6. Recommendation to approve a Proposal for a New Class E-1 Temporary Liquor License for St. Patrick Catholic Church for their Beer Festival being held on September 18, 2021, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, in the parking lot at the 400 Block of State Street.

St. Patrick Church will be having a beer festival on September 18 from 6 pm -8 pm. The Church is working with Pollyanna Brewing. The event will take place in the parking lot owned by the Church.

Ms. Zollers asked if the information for the three supervisors was included in the application? The applicant answered that Pollyanna will be providing the supervisors. The Church is providing the security. The event will take place in the parking lot off State St., between 4th and 5th. The area will be fenced off, only those with wristbands will have access to the fenced area and Pollyanna will serve.

Ms. Zollers asked if the event is too close to the church. Chief Keegan stated that wouldn't apply for a temporary license.

Ms. Zollers asked if this event has been held before. The applicant answered that they haven't done this before? Anyone is welcome.

Ald. Pietryla said this is the annual event for the Church, it was moved from Crane Rd. to this new location.

Motion by Ald. Pietryla, second by Zollers to Recommend to approve a Proposal for a New Class E-1 Temporary Liquor License for St. Patrick Catholic Church for their Beer Festival being held on September 18, 2021, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, in the parking lot at the 400 Block of State Street.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Bancroft; Ald. Pietryla Ms. Zollers; Nays: None. Liquor Commissioner Vitek did not vote as Commissioner. **Motion Carried**

7. Recommendation to approve a Proposal for a New Class B-1 Liquor License and 1:00 am Late Night Permit for 222 Hospitality LLC, dba Whiskey Bend, Located at 222 W. Main Street, St Charles.

Chief Keegan explained that the owners have purchased the old Pub 222 location and are doing an extensive remodel. Colm Headly and Michael Carney have partnered in this venture. Information was included in the packet about some contacts with the police department.

Commissioner Vitek asked when Whiskey Bend will open. Mr. Headley stated that they are hoping by the end of the year.

Ms. Zollers asked about Mr. Carney being Basset certified. Mr. Headley stated that he will be certified and will have nothing to do with the day-to-day operations, he is an investor.

Ald. Bancroft asked if Mr. Carney would be attending the Government Operations Committee meeting later that day. Mr. Headley said that he wouldn't be attending, and noted he contacted Tracey Conti to make sure it was okay if only he was present. Ald. Bancroft told Mr. Headley that recommendations have been made from the Liquor Commission that other Alderman have questioned because of history. Considering Mr. Carney's history, Mr. Headley should be prepared for the Council Members to ask questions.

Motion by Ald. Pietryla, second by Ald. Bancroft to recommend to approve a Proposal for a New Class B-1 Liquor License and 1:00 am Late Night Permit for 222 Hospitality LLC, dba Whiskey Bend, Located at 222 W. Main Street, St Charles.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Bancroft; Ald. Pietryla Ms. Zollers; Nays: None. Liquor Commissioner Vitek did not vote as Commissioner. **Motion Carried**

8. Recommendation to approve a Proposal for a New Class B-1 Liquor License and 1:00 am Late Night Permit for H&C Hospitality LLC dba The Office Dining & Spirits, Located at 201 E Main Street, St. Charles.

The applicant is the same ownership group as the previous agenda item. The LLC was changed from C&M Hospitality to H&C Hospitality. This was confirmed through the Secretary of State's Office. The business was purchased from the existing owner, they will keep the dba the same. Colm Headley has a long history in St. Charles managing a myriad of restaurants.

Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Pietryla to Recommend to approve a Proposal for a New Class B-1 Liquor License and 1:00 am Late Night Permit for H&C Hospitality LLC dba The Office Dining & Spirits, Located at 201 E Main Street, St. Charles.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Bancroft; Ald. Pietryla Ms. Zollers; Nays: None. Liquor Commissioner Vitek did not vote as Commissioner. **Motion Carried**

9. Public Comment.

10. Executive Session (5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(4)).

11. Adjournment.

Motion by Ms. Zollers, second by Ald. Bancroft to adjourn the meeting at 4:42 pm.

Voice Vote: Ayes: Unanimous; Nays: None. Liquor Commissioner Vitek did not vote as Commissioner. **Motion Carried**

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