

**MINUTES**  
**LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING**  
**MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2019, 4:30 PM**  
**2 E MAIN STREET**

**1. Call to Order.**

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

**2. Roll Call.**

Present: Vitek, Gehm, Zollers, Pietryla

Absent: None

**3. Motion to accept and place on file minutes of the Liquor Control Commission meeting held on June 17, 2019.**

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

**4. Recommendation to approve a proposal for a new class D8 liquor license for Ilic Enterprises, LLC dba Board and Brush St. Charles located at 303 North 4th Street.**

Chief Keegan explained that Board and Brush is an art studio where customers build and paint their own art project. Mike Ilic, the owner of Board and Brush would like to obtain a D8 liquor license. Chief Keegan noted that the application has been vetted and there were no issues. Mr. Ilic operates a Board and Brush in Oswego that has been very successful. It was noted that the studio will hold up to 36 people, but the average attendance is 27 people.

Motion by Mr. Gehm, second by Ald. Vitek to approve the recommendation for a new class D8 liquor license for Ilic Enterprises, LLC dba Board and Brush St. Charles located at 303 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Roll Call:** Ayes: Zollers, Gehm, Vitek, Pietryla; Nays: None. Commissioner Rogina did not vote as commissioner. **Motion Carried.**

**5. Recommendation to approve a proposal for a new class B liquor license including a 1:00 am permit for Da Hood & Co., located at 11 N 3rd Street.**

Chief Keegan noted that the applicant recently changed the name of the restaurant to Glory City. Initially the name was Da Hood. Chief also said that there are some outstanding issues with their application; the dram shop insurance, menu, and the request for a 2am permit were provided last minute. There are some concerns from the Police Department. They have had a couple violations in the past. Chief indicated that he wouldn't recommend a 2:00 am permit, but possibly 1:00 am. Chief also offered the following guidelines. No patrons, glass or shots past midnight.

Commissioner Rogina noted that it's admirable that they haven't had any major offences in the last 5 years, but emphasized very strongly that St. Charles takes serving to minors

very seriously. He went on to say that the Committee is going to want more detail regarding the application. The original name, Da Hood, was a slang expression, noted that it's been changed to Glory City, and asked what their target market, demographic is.

The owner Miguel Villaneuva indicated that his target demographic is 21 – 40/50, but really wants to target all ages. He said that's why he changed the name; he doesn't want to target only a young crowd. He indicated that he's planning to serve more craft cocktails, family recipes, etc.

Commissioner Rogina said the reason the demographic was brought up is that the Chief, Liquor Commission, and City Council have tried very hard to erase the image St. Charles had as a bar town, and change it to more of an entertainment and fun. Things that cross the line are taken very seriously. We wanted to mention this so you know where we stand. Commissioner Rogina recommended that the Liquor Commission make no recommendation regarding the application. Miquel should make the necessary changes and updates to his application and present it at the Government Operations Committee meeting on September 3. The commission members all agreed with this recommendation.

**6. Recommendation to approve a proposal for an new class E1 temporary liquor license for the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce for the Cruise Night final event being held at Classic Car and Auto on September 13 & 14, 2019.**

The St. Charles Chamber of Commerce is requesting an E1 temporary liquor license for the Cruise Night final event. Chief Keegan explained that this is not a charity event and that they are going to be holding the final Cruise Night event at the Classic Car Auto Mall on September 13 & 14.

Motion by Ald. Vitek, second by Mr. Gehm to recommend the approval of a new class E1 temporary liquor license for the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce for the Cruise Night final event being held at Classic Car and Auto on September 13 & 14, 2019.

**Roll Call:** Ayes: Zollers, Gehm, Vitek, Pietryla; Nays: None. Commissioner Rogina did not vote as commissioner. **Motion Carried.**

**7. Recommendation to approve an Ordinance Amending Title 3 “Revenue and Finance”, Chapter 3.42 “Alcohol Tax” of the St. Charles Municipal Code.**

Finance Director, Chris Minick explained that this is a proposed ordinance for administrative changes to the alcohol tax of the municipal code. There are several changes including the processing time for due process hearings. It will follow what is in the code for general liquor license violations.

Motion by Mr. Gehm, second by Ald. Vitek to recommend the approval of an ordinance amending Title 3 “Revenue and Finance”, Chapter 3.42 “Alcohol Tax” of the St. Charles Municipal Code.

**Roll Call:** Ayes: Zollers, Gehm, Vitek, Pietryla; Nays: None. Commissioner Rogina did not vote as commissioner. **Motion Carried.**

**8. Discussion regarding a Fuel Tax Citation and Hearing Notice for 3-Star Oil and Food Mart, Inc. (dba Clark), located at 1023 W Main Street, St. Charles.**

Commissioner Rogina read the complaint for the record. Mr. Ali had indicated that he's not guilty, and wanted a hearing. Commissioner Rogina heard Mr. Ali's testimony. Mr. Ali indicated that he was aware the he hadn't paid the taxes. He received the notification. Mr. Ali had been out of town and when he returned there was an issue with his computer system and he wasn't able to pay his taxes to the City, the State or the County. He said there is no way to itemize the tax going to the City. Mr. Ali said the called the City when he received the citation notice and spoke with Tracey Conti who said he had to appear. Commissioner Rogina mentioned that once the citation is served the hearing process has begun and procedure has to be followed. He mentioned to Mr. Ali that the May and June taxes were not paid in a timely fashion, that he was given an extension, as a courtesy, for May and June and didn't receive payment. Mr. Ali indicated that he would give Mr. Minick a check for the amount due plus the interest/fees, and requested leniency since he's had a good payment history.

Commissioner Rogina explained that the Commission would enter into executive session to discuss the matter and Mr. Ali would hear back shortly.

9. Public Comment.

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

Motion by Ms. Zollers, second by Ald. Pietryla to enter executive session as per 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(4) at 5:14 pm.

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

Motion by Mr. Gehm, second by Ald. Vitek to exit executive session at 5:36 pm.

**11. Adjournment.**

Motion by Mr. Gehm, second by Ald. Pietryla to adjourn the meeting at 5:36 pm.

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