

**MINUTES
CITY OF ST. CHARLES
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
ALD. RON SILKAITIS, CHAIR
MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Silkaitis at 7:18 pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber, Ald. Balla, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard

Absent: Ald. Bancroft

3. Administrative

- a. Fuel Tax, August 2021 – Information only, no questions or comments were offered.
- b. Video Gaming Statistics – Information only, no questions or comments were offered.

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.

Motion by Ald. Weber, second by Ald. Bessner to approve the Omnibus items.

Voice Vote: Ayes: All; Nays: None; Absent: Ald. Bancroft. Chairman Silkaitis did not vote as Chair. **Motion Carried.**

5. Police Department

- a. **Recommendation to approve a Proposal for a C-1 Liquor License Application and 2:00 am late night permit for Brandon Wayne Enterprises, LLC dba The Lewis, located at 106 E. Main Street.**

Ald. Lencioni recused himself for this item and stepped down from the dais.

Chief Keegan shared that this item was presented earlier this evening at the Liquor Control Commission and advanced forward without any concerns. The applicants are present tonight, and operate Bogart's in St. Charles. There is no kitchen in this establishment and food offerings will be brought in, including a selection from the Blue Goose. Beverages will be partially sourced from local breweries. They are hoping for a mid-December opening date. There was a concern raised about a background issue and that case was dropped and there are no criminal convictions. Bogart's also has a 2:00 am late night permit. Ald. Bongard had constituents raise concerns that the new location may be considered a "dive bar" and Brandon Andriola of 219 ½

W. Main Street, St. Charles, one of The Lewis's owners, stepped forward. He introduced fellow owner Rick Muermann and general manager Dan Thomas. Brandon shared that The Lewis will not be a dive bar, but actually a high-end bar with wine, whisky and craft cocktails. They do not plan to offer live music in this small location.

Motion by Ald. Weber, second by Ald. Pietryla to approve a Proposal for a C-1 Liquor License Application and late-night permit for Brandon Wayne Enterprises, LLC dba The Lewis, located at 106 E. Main Street.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber, Ald. Balla, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard; Nays: None; Absent: Ald. Bancroft. Recuse: Ald. Lencioni. Chairman Silkaitis did not vote as Chair. **Motion Carried.**

6. Finance Department

- a. **Recommendation to accept the auditors reports for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2021, including the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Independent Auditor's Report Pursuant to Uniform Guidance, Board Communication, Pension Fund Reports, TIF Compliance Reports, and Sales Tax Revenue Bond Compliance Report.**

Audit Presentation: https://youtu.be/tVtW_jQATss

Colleen Lavery, Assistant Finance Director, shared a list of the City's 2021 Financial Reports and shared that the State requires these reports to be audited by a CPA firm. Sikich has provided his service for the last several years, and this year provided a 25-minute video of the highlights of the audit. Colleen introduced Nick Saba who will provide an overview of the audit results.

Mr. Saba, of 1563 Fairway Circle, Geneva, Illinois, stepped to the podium. There are 15 deliverables included in the audit. He commends the City for continuing to prepare a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. These reports have gone well above the State of Illinois reporting requirements. The City has so far received 34 Certificates of Achievement for Financial Reporting. The independent auditor's report communicates that there are no material misstatements as part of this year's reporting. The audit opinion provides the highest level of assurance that the financial reports are fair and accurate. No incidences of noncompliance were identified. The long-term deficit in the Statement of Net Position is being driven by pension liabilities, which is consistent with other municipalities. Congratulations to Colleen and the Finance Department for doing a terrific job this year. The City should be proud of the organization, preparation, and diligent work by City staff.

Motion by Ald. Weber, second by Ald. Lencioni to accept the auditors reports for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2021, including the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Independent Auditor's Report Pursuant to Uniform Guidance, Board Communication, Pension Fund Reports, TIF Compliance Reports, and Sales Tax Revenue Bond Compliance Report.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber, Ald. Balla, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard; Nays: None; Absent: Ald. Bancroft. Chairman Silkaitis did not vote as Chair. **Motion Carried.**

- *b. Budget Revisions September, 2021

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

There were no additional items offered.

8. Executive Session

There was no executive session.

9. Adjournment

Motion by Ald. Wirball, second by Ald. Bessner to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 pm.

Voice Vote: Ayes: Unanimous; Nays: None; Chairman Silkaitis did not vote as Chair.

Motion Carried.

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