

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS
Meeting of October 23, 2024

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order on October 23, 2024 at 5:31 P.M. Commissioners: Rosa Espinosa, Peter Sygnator, Maria D'Angelantonio, Andrew Cade and Attorney Anthony Bonavita being present and Commissioner John Ramirez, being absent. The meeting was held Virtual Public Hearing (ZOOM). To view Public Hearing .CH 17 on Springfield's Comcast <http://focusspringfield.com/watch/government>.

FIRST order of business: Approval of Minutes:

Approval of Minutes for Springfield Board of License Commissioners Hearing held on Wednesday, October 9, 2024.

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to approve. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sygnator with unanimous vote to approve.

SECOND order of business: Pre-Hearing Conference:

P2B Springfield LLC dba The Place 2 be, located at 1000 Hall of Fame Ave; Gjinovefa Luari, Manager of Record. Incident of 9-26-24: be charged with the following: Violation of 204 CMR 2.05(2) FOUR COUNTS: to with; 1) Selling Alcohol without a License to Sell Alcoholic Beverages, 2) Displaying Alcohol without a License to Sell Alcoholic Beverages 3) Manager of record not on scene, and 4) Operating without required Certificate of Inspection.

Attorney Shawn P. Allyn

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to continue on 12-2-2024. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sygnator, with unanimous vote to approve.

THIRD order of business: Old Business

Palate, Inc. dba Palate located at 8 Temby Rd; Jose Hernandez, Manager of Record – letting La Taqueria Del Pueblo Bar & Restaurant operate and purchase liquor with Palate Liquor License. The lease is fully executed and the transfer of the All-Alcoholic Beverage Liquor License.

Attorney Harold Brunault sent an email for continuance

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to continue on 11-13-2024. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sygnator, with unanimous vote to approve.

FOURTH order of business: Section 77 – Final Hearing

Graham's Package Store Inc. dba Graham's Package Store located at 1649-1651 Main Street; Richard L. Lafley Jr. Manager of Record. Renovations are complete and the shelves are stocked. If not, expect a Section 77 cancellation in November. Status of the Liquor License.

Attorney Julie A. Dialessi-Lafley

After discussion:

Commissioner Sygnator motioned to continue on 12-2-2024 pending transfer and sale for the Alcohol Liquor License. Motion seconded by Commissioner D'Angelantonio, with unanimous vote to approve.

FIFTH order of business:

Assad & Paul, LLC dba The Hookah Factory located at 296 Cooley St; Assad M Awan. Status of the Liquor License. Incident of 12-23-2022 business was suspended for 32 days to be served on Thursday through Sunday from Feb 23, 2023 to April 16, 2023. Petition for a Change of Location was submitted January 22, 2024. Petition is still pending; they are look for a different location. Section 77 Cancellation of License.

Attorney Daniel Kelly

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to continue on 12-11-2024 pending on Application for change of location, meeting with the Neighborhood Councils and Planning Board. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sygnator, with unanimous vote to approve.

SIXTH order of business: ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OF INCIDENT REPORTS

1. Irish Ale House – Incident of 10-6-24

After discussion of Report – Commissioner Espinosa motioned to take No Action. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sygnator with unanimous vote to approve.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:29 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Alesia H. Days, Esq.