

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS
Meeting of December 2, 2024

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order on December 2, 2024 at 5:32 P.M. Commissioners: Rosa Espinosa, Peter Sygnator, Maria D'Angelantonio, Andrew Cade, John Ramirez and Attorney Anthony Bonavita being present. 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, November 13, 2024.

After discussion:

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

SECOND order of business: Informational Hearing:

One Day All Alcohol Permit for December 14, 2024 - Indoor from 8PM to 12AM and December 15, 2024 Indoor from 12:01AM to 2AM. Event held at 250 Albany St (Warehouse) type of event: Birthday Party - Name of Organization - Gun Violence Elimination Alliance, Inc., Nicole Coakley.

Pro Sec.

After discussion:

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

THIRD order of business:

One Day All Alcohol Permit for December 8, 2024 - Indoor from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Event held at 250 Albany St (Warehouse) type of event: Holiday Market - Name of Organization - Gasoline Alley Foundation, John Wycocki.

Pro Sec.

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to approved to Beer & Wine instead of All Alcohol. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sygnator with unanimous vote to approve.

FOURTH 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 Allyn appeared on behalf of Licensee.

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to continue on 1-29-2025 for Final Hearing. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sygnator, with unanimous vote to approve.

FIFTH order of business: New Business:

Review of liquor license renewals.

After discussion

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to approve 2025 Liquor License Renewal – Pass Tax/Renew on time and all obligations were met (renewal fees and taxes paid). Motion seconded by Commissioner Cade with unanimous vote to approve.

SIXTH order of business:

Approval of liquor licenses.

After discussion:

Commissioner Sygnator motioned to accept 2025 Liquor License renewal – Renew on time but obligations not met (taxes not paid). 2025 Liquor License will not be issued until collector office indicate to the License Commission office obligation have been met. Motion seconded by Commissioner Ramirez, with unanimous vote to approve.

SEVETH order of business:

Denials & failed to renew.

After discussion:

Commissioner Sygnator motioned these 2025 Liquor License have not, as required, apply or submitted a completed application on the last business day. Must apply for new Liquor License. Motion seconded by Commissioner D'Angelantonio, with unanimous vote to approve.

EIGHTH: order of business:

Discussion regarding request for Seasonal License Extension.

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa approve to have the License office follow the process. Motion seconded by Commissioner Ramirez, with unanimous vote to approve.

NINETH order of business: Old Business:

Palate, Inc. dba Palate located at 8 Temby Rd; Jose Hernandez, Manager of Record – update on status.

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned No Action. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sygnator with unanimous vote to approve.

ELEVENTH 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 (Seller) / Attorney Rachel Fancy represents the buyer

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to continue on 1-15-2025. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sygnator, with unanimous vote to approve.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:18 pm.

**Respectfully Submitted by,
Alesia H. Days, Esq.**