



MINUTES
Committee on City Operations
Tuesday, April 19, 2022 @ 4:30 p.m.
City Council Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Spitzley called the meeting to order at 4:30p.m.

PRESENT via audio/video

Council Member Spitzley, Chair
Council Member Daniels, Vice-Chair
Council Member Hussain, Member

OTHERS PRESENT via audio/video

Renee Richmond, Council Administrative Assistant
Eric Brewer, Internal Auditor
Lisa Hagen, OCA
Jim Smiertka, OCA
Greg Venker, OCA
Brian Baer
Aaron Hanson, Ellison Brewery
Nancy Mahlow
Alec Malvetis, Public Service Dept.
Andy Fedewa, ED&P
Kyle Kaminski, Lansing City Pulse
Andy Kilpatrick, Public Service Dept.
Eric Iversen, PEA Group
Chris Stralkowski

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MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER DANIELS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM APRIL 5, 2022, AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment at this time.

Discussion/Action

RESOLUTION – Appointment; Brian Baer as a City of Lansing member of the Capital Area District Library Board for a term to expire April 15, 2026

Mr. Baer stated he has lived on the east side since 1991 and a graduate of MSU and is excited to serve on the CADL board and feels the main library is centralized and a good fit.

Councilmember Daniels mentioned that this was his third choice and maybe in the future the sustainability commission could be in the future. Councilmember Hussain continued that the library isn't what it used to be, it is more, and that if conversations come up with the S. Cedar library the City provides that space too. He added that the City was close to losing the S. Cedar library and it would have been devastating if it was gone. Councilmember Spitzley finished that she likes Mr. Baer's background in science and agreed that the library is so much more than it used to be.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HUSSAIN TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT; BRIAN BAER AS A CITY OF LANSING MEMBER OF THE CAPITAL AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE APRIL 15, 2026. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Liquor License; Ellison Brewery and Spirits LLC for a New Micro Brewer license and a Tasting Room, Outdoor Service, Sunday Sales (AM/PM), Catering, Dance and Entertainment Permit for 1314 South Washington Avenue, Lansing, MI

Mr. Hanson explained that he is the owner and head brewer, he grew up in the Lansing/DeWitt area and has been working on getting this up and running since late 2018 and is looking forward to being in REO Town, he added that they started in East Lansing and have a secondary location in Indianapolis. Councilmember Spitzley asked where in Indy and Mr. Hanson responded South St and Madison, he added he loves the REO Town area and the historical building. Councilmember Spitzley asked if they had a timeline for opening, and Mr. Hanson explained as quickly as possible, they were just waiting on final approvals to get to Council so they could move forward. Councilmember Hussain finished that they've had conversations and explained the process and it was finally referred to Council and Committee and it's moving now.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HUSSAIN TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE LIQUOR LICENSE; ELLISON BREWERY AND SPIRITS LLC FOR A NEW MICRO BREWER LICENSE AND A TASTING ROOM, OUTDOOR SERVICE, SUNDAY SALES (AM/PM), CATERING, DANCE AND ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT FOR 1314 SOUTH WASHINGTON AVENUE, LANSING, MI. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Community Funding Application; Eastside Neighborhood Organization, Summer Festival

Nancy Mahlow explained after a successful first year the 2nd is underway with over 30 vendors thus far, they are looking to add more activities for the kids and are expanding to food trucks, and they will have music with it playing last at 8pm to be respectful of The Green Door. Nancy added the festival will begin on August 20th and run from 11am-10pm, and if they get enough money are looking at security possibly from DK Security and Andy Kilpatrick is helping with closing the streets. Councilmember Daniels asked how much the cost for security is and how close are they to it, Nancy replied roughly \$2,000 and they are still raising money but have to pay for insurance for the vacant lot they are using, application fee and show mobile is paid for. Councilmember Spitzley suggested she reach out to all councilmembers for possible donations, and Councilmember Hussain asked for confirmation that the show mobile is already paid for and what is still remaining, Ms. Mahlow confirmed, and the street closing is roughly \$1,200. Councilmember Spitzley inquired about having LFD and LPD there for the kids, Ms. Mahlow again confirmed it was a hit last year as well, and they have a banner for the donators and will have BWL, CATA, and Sparrow. Councilmember Hussain asked to amend the resolution to award \$1,000 opposed to the \$500 request.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER DANIELS TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AS AMENDED FOR THE COMMUNITY FUNDING APPLICATION; EASTSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION, SUMMER FESTIVAL. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Ms. Mahlow mentions a clean-up project at Homer/Howard near Kalamazoo and the off-ramp at Saginaw Street that ENO is doing this weekend on Saturday and what is not done that day they will finish on Sunday. Councilmember Hussain asked if they had supplies and she confirmed yes that they got stuff from DeLisa at NCE.

RESOLUTION – Setting a Public Hearing in consideration of the Noise Special Permit; Hoffman Bros., Inc. request to allow construction of the Combined Sewer Overflow Project at S. Martin Luther King Boulevard and local city streets near the Norfolk Southern Railroad Tracks on Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM from May 14, 2022, through November 4, 2023.

Alec Malvetis explained this is for Sewer Overflow work that needs to be completed at the M-99/MLK Jr Blvd near Victor Avenue with MDOT's assistance, and they only have a limited number of days to have the tracks removed and replaced. He continued that this would assist if work needed to be done on Saturdays. Councilmember Spitzley asked about the property near there with a privacy fence, Alec confirmed that BWL bought that from a private owner, and they are helping. Councilmember Spitzley lastly asked what notice has been sent out, Alec added once the hearing is set, they will get the postcards out.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER DANIELS TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING IN CONSIDERATION OF THE NOISE SPECIAL PERMIT; HOFFMAN BROS., INC. REQUEST TO ALLOW CONSTRUCTION OF THE COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW PROJECT AT S. MARTIN LUTHER KING BOULEVARD AND LOCAL CITY STREETS NEAR THE NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD TRACKS ON SATURDAYS FROM 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM FROM MAY 14, 2022, THROUGH NOVEMBER 4, 2023. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – ACT-4-2022; Red Cedar Redevelopment Street Dedication

Andy Fedewa explained this is to create new streets to complete the agreement to have access for the public, they have been told it is a local streets and low volume with a portion of Red Cedar Parkway using flood way. Andy continued the Planning Board recommended approval but the section floods 3-5 times a year so it will take a toll and need to be addressed by the City and Developers. Councilmember Spitzley asked if that is in the agreement, Mr. Venker responded there are two (maintenance and operational) one for the road and another for the river trail, that is being drafted as we speak and anticipate it by COB today. Councilmember Daniels asked if they knew how much faster it will breakdown, Eric Iverson stated they did not know because when subgrade is wet and when it freezes and there's frost there isn't a good way to isolate. Councilmember Hussain asked for confirmation that the Operational agreement will be done in time for Council to see on Monday. Mr. Venker said they anticipate it and the way the resolution is written if you look at the very last paragraph that begins BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED it references that conditions have to be met upon completion if Council passes the acceptance doesn't take effect and recorded until that and sign off from OCA. Councilmember Hussain state he wanted to make sure the conditions set by the Planning Board are met and Mr. Venker agreed.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HUSSAIN TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE ACT-4-2022; RED CEDAR REDEVELOPMENT STREET DEDICATION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Mr. Venker confirmed he received the agreement at 4:59pm in his email.

RESOLUTION – Special Assessment; Glenburne Commons, Trash & Grass Abatement

Councilmember Spitzley read an email from Carlos Solis-Pereira of his concerns of just moving to the property on November 24, 2022. Councilmember Spitzley indicated that this abatement is part of the deed when anyone moves in, and asked if anyone had questions, there were none.

**MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER DANIELS TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT; GLENBURNE COMMONS, TRASH & GRASS ABATEMENT.
MOTION CARRIED 3-0.**

Other

INFORMATIONAL - Notice from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission; Lansing Shuffleboard LL LLC request to Transfer All Membership Interest by dropping existing member Jonathan Hartzell; and as a result, new member Lansing Shuffleboard and Social Club, LLC will hold 100% membership interest, in conjunction with escrowed 2021 Class C and SDM licensed corporation with Sunday Sales, Permit (AM), Sunday Sales Permit (PM), Dance Permit and 2 Bars located at 325 Riverfront Dr., Lansing, MI 4892, Ingham County. (RID #RQ-2203-02478) **Original Agenda 4/19/2022*

PENDING UPDATE —Notice from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission; LE&O Mansion LLC request for transfer ownership 2021 Resort Class C License issued under MCL 436.1531(2), and SDM licensed business with Sunday Sales Permit (PM) for Class C License – Spirits and Mixed Spirit Drink and Dance-Entertainment Permit from Gus's LLC; Transfer location to 6810 Cedar St, Ste A, Lansing; transfer governmental unit under MCL 436.1531(1) from Lansing Township to Lansing City; New Sunday Sales Permit (AM); new Sunday Sales Permit (PM) for SDM License – Mixed Spirit Drink at 6810 S Cedar St Suite A, (RID #RQ-2111-19427) **Original Agenda 1/18/2022*

Notice from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission; Batter Up, LLC request for new Non-Transferable Class C License issued under MCL 436.1521(A)(1)(B), Downtown Development Authority License and a Non-Transferable new SDM License under MCL 436.1533(5)(A), (RID #RQ-2110-18571) **Original Agenda 3/01/2022*

Notice from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission; Hooked Community LLC request for New Class C license issued under MCL 436.1521a(1)(a), non-transferable, redevelopment (RDA) license issued under MCL 436.1533(5)(a), non-transferable, in conjunction; a new Sunday sales permit (AM); new Sunday sales permit (PM) for Class C license-spirits and mixed spirit drink at 3142 E Michigan Ave, Lansing, MI 48912, (RID #RQ-2112-20341) **Original Agenda 4/05/2022*

Notice from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission; JKVino, LLC request for New SDM License issued under MCL 436.1533(5), New Sunday Sales Permit (PM), New Beer and Wine Tasting Permit, New Catering Permit, (RID #RQ-2202-01186) **Original Agenda 4/19/2022*

Adjourn

Adjourned at 5:05pm

Submitted by Renee Richmond

Recording Secretary, Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on May 3, 2022