



MINUTES
Committee on City Operations
Wednesday, July 17, 2024 @ 4:00 p.m.
City Council Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Hussain called the meeting to order at 4:00pm

PRESENT

Council Member Jackson, Chair - excused
Council Member Hussain, Vice-Chair
Council Member Kost, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Renee Richmond, Council Administrative Assistant
Lisa Hagen-Lawrence, OCA
Alex Watkins, LEDC
Aluwaseun Sipeolu

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MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER KOST TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JULY 3, 2024, AS PRESENTED.

Councilmember Hussain asked if the enforcement issue was addressed at Council on July 8th. Councilmember Kost indicated that there were a few inquiries but no solid answer.

MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment at this time.

Discussion/Action

RESOLUTION – Reappointment; Kimberly Whitfield as the 4th Ward member of the Park Board for a term to expire June 30, 2028

Councilmember Hussain stated Ms. Whitfield is moving from at-large position to 4th ward. Councilmember Kost made a motion to table until next meeting, and asked Ms. Richmond to invite her to the next meeting, Councilmember Hussain noted that will be August 7th.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER KOST TO TABLE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE REAPPOINTMENT OF KIMBERLY WHITFIELD AS THE 4TH WARD MEMBER OF THE PARK BOARD FOR A TERM T EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2028. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION – Liquor Application; Jollof Afro Caribbean Lounge, Development District Class C License, Outdoor, Dane, Extended Hours, Catering, Sunday Sales AM/PM 221 S. Washington Square, Lansing, MI 48933

Mr. Watkins explained the LEDC's efforts to expand downtown Lansing, and there was a vacancy at 221 S. Washington Square. The applicant is looking to obtain a DDA Liquor License, to allow them to open and will not move locations.

Councilmember Hussain mentioned the resolution is to recommend approval then it will go to the state, Mr. Watkins confirmed.

Mr. Sipeolu summarized it will be a place to go and relax and have fun with, it is family owned/operated, adding Jollof is a food known in West Africa and the Caribbean Islands.

Councilmember Hussain asked what percentage of food vs alcohol, Mr. Sipeolu answered it is 75% food.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER KOST TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE LIQUOR APPLICATION; JOLLOF AFRO CARIBBEAN LOUNGE, DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT CLASS C LICENSE, OUTDOOR, DANE, EXTENDED HOURS, CATERING, SUNDAY SALES AM/PM 221 S. WASHINGTON SQUARE, LANSING, MI 48933. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Other

Adjourn

Adjourned at 4:09pm

Submitted by Renee Richmond

Recording Secretary, Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on August 7, 2024