

City of Memphis Alcohol Commission Meeting Minutes February 6, 2019

- **I.** Call to Order The regularly scheduled meeting of the Alcohol Commission was called to order at approximately 9:03 a.m. by Sgt.-At-Arms, Officer Gerald Lake.
- **II. Roll Call** The following Commissioners were present: Barry Chase, Jared Johnson, Thomas O'Malley, Steven Reid and Johnsie Wallace Gault. The following Commissioners were not present: Erma Hayslett, Renee Poe and Billy Post.
- III. Approval of the Minutes from the Previous Meeting The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed electronically prior to this meeting. Commissioner Chase moved to approve the minutes from the January 16, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.

IV. Special Beer Applicant(s):

1. Jonathan Neal – Levitt Shell – "Courage 5K"

Date(s): May 4, 2019

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Sponsoring Organization: Courage Thru Cancer

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 2 booth(s)

Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Chase moved to approve the application. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T20337)

- Commissioner Billy Post noted that he and Commissioner Erma Hayslett are now present.
- 2. Angela Fox 61 North McLean Blvd. "Mardi Gras In Memphis Crawfish Boil & ETW 5K"

Date(s): March 23, 2019 Time: 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Sponsoring Organization: Catholic Diocese of Memphis/Jubilee Catholic Schools

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)

Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Chase moved to approve the application. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T11922)

3. Nizar Gowani – 5491 Summer Avenue – "Summer Mobil"

Date(s): February 6, 2019 – February 20, 2019

Time: 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 a.m.

Sponsoring Organization: Crown Petroleum, Inc.

Purpose of funds: For Profit; 1 booth(s)

Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, Commissioner Chase moved to approve the application. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed. The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T20399)

4. John Doyle – 126 Beale Street – "Hall After Dark Concerts"

Date(s): February 7, 2019 Time: 7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Sponsoring Organization: Memphis Rock 'n' Soul Museum

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)

Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, Commissioner Chase moved to approve the application. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed. The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T19267)

5. Fred E. Jones, Jr. – 501 St. Jude Place – "St. Jude Spirit of the Dream"

Date(s): February 22, 2019 Time: 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Sponsoring Organization: American Lebanese Syrian Associated Charities, Inc. ("ALSAC")

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 3 booth(s)

Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, Commissioner Chase moved to approve the application. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed. The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T3619)

6. Kendall Olinger – 940 Early Maxwell Blvd. – "Memphis Roller Derby Bout"

Date(s): February 9, 2019 Time: 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Sponsoring Organization: Memphis Roller Derby

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)

Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Chase moved to approve the application. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T17277)

7. Angela Ghoreishi – 3050 Central Avenue (Pink Palace Museum) – "Grand Krewe of Phoenix Coronation"

Date(s): March 1, 2019

Time: 7:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.

Sponsoring Organization: Grand Krewe of Phoenix Coronation

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)

Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Chase moved to approve the application. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T20476)

V. Violation(s):

The Following Location(s) is in Violation of A C Rule C5, D4 (WITH) Priors:

8. Aman Devji – 645 Chelsea Avenue – RAAIN, Inc. – dba – "Chelsea Express" – Citation(s) #830629

Date of Violation(s): Tuesday, December 18, 2018

Date Permit Approved: August 20, 2014

Prior(s): 6-9-17 (C5, D4) 6-24-16 (C5, D4) Officer(s): Hutchinson #3330, Mosby #5668, Smith #8636

Mr. Nawaz Virji was present for this location and presented a POA. After discussion regarding this location, the commissioners concluded that they would like for the actual owner, Mr. Aman Devji to appear personally before the Alcohol Commission. It was determined that Mr. Devji would not be available until the beginning of March. Commissioner Reid moved to continue this location to the March 20, 2019 Alcohol Commission meeting. Commissioner Hayslett seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T2725)

The Following Location(s) is in Violation of A C Rule C5 (WITH) Priors:

9. Asfaw Haile & Mengesteab Gebregziabher – 1171 Chelsea Avenue – Bright Start, Inc. – dba – "Lively Market" – Citation(s) #880467

Date of Violation(s): Tuesday, December 18, 2018

Date Permit Approved: January 23, 2008

Prior(s): 6-9-17 (C4, C5, D4)

6-24-16 (C5)

Officer(s): Galison #3156, Moore #10882, Ward #0502

The owner stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$1,000.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. There were some opposed. Chairman Johnson asked for a roll call vote. Commissioners Hayslett, Johnson, Reid and Wallace Gault voted yes, and Commissioners Chase, Post and O'Malley voted no. The motion passed with four votes in favor and three against. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #BR746)

10. MAPCO Express, Inc. – 3278 Summer Avenue – MAPCO Express, Inc. – dba – "MAPCO Express #3262" – Citation(s) #880641

Date of Violation(s): Saturday, December 8, 2018

Date Permit Approved: October 19, 2016

Prior(s): 3-30-18 (C4, C5) 7-28-17 (C5)

Officer(s): Aldridge #0135, Galison #3156, Ward #0502

The MAPCO store representative stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Chase moved to fine the location \$1,500.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Hayslett seconded. There were some opposed. Chairman Johnson asked for a roll call vote. Commissioners Chase, Hayslett, Johnson, Reid and Wallace Gault voted yes, and Commissioners Post and O'Malley voted no. The motion passed with five votes in favor and two against. The MAPCO store representative agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T12312)

11. Anwar Omar – 1069 North Watkins Street – dba – "Very Lucky Green Mart" – Citation(s) #880466

Date of Violation(s): Tuesday, December 18, 2018

Date Permit Approved: March 4, 2015

Prior(s): 6-24-16 (C4, C5)

Officer(s): Galison #3156, Moore #10882, Ward #0502

The owner did not show. Commissioner Post moved to indefinitely suspend the beer permit for failure to show. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T4460)

12. Balihar Guraya – 4511 Macon Road – M & J Food Mart, LLC – dba – "Macon Express" – Citation(s) #880865

Date of Violation(s): Saturday, December 8, 2018

Date Permit Approved: May 4, 2016

Prior(s): 3-30-16 (C5)

Officer(s): Houston #2877, Richardson #1326

The owner stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$750.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. Commissioner Post opposed. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T9463)

13. Zerawar Shah – 5211 Poplar Avenue – Chitrali Investment, LLC – dba – "Chitrali Investment, LLC" – Citation(s) #880656

Date of Violation(s): Saturday, December 8, 2018

Date Permit Approved: March 20, 2013

Prior(s): 7-18-17 (C5)

Officer(s): Craig #1662, Ward #0502

The owner stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$750.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. Commissioner Post opposed. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #BR4531)

The Following Location(s) is in Violation of A C Rule C4 (WITH) Priors:

14. MAPCO Express, Inc. – 6193 Mt. Moriah Road Ext. – MAPCO Express, Inc. – dba – "MAPCO Express #3150" – Citation(s) #C-335105

Date of Violation(s): Wednesday, December 26, 2018

Date Permit Approved: October 19, 2016

Prior(s): 4-12-17 (C5)

Officer(s): Galison #3156, Ward #0502

The MAPCO store representative stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$200.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. Commissioner O'Malley opposed. The motion passed.

The MAPCO store representative agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T12308)

The Following Location(s) is in Violation of A C Rule C4, C5, D4 (NO) Priors:

15. Amatulla Aldafari – 4228 Eastwind Drive – dba – "T & A Market" – Citation(s) #830182 & C-332385

Date of Violation(s): Friday, September 14, 2018

Date Permit Approved: October 20, 2010

Officer(s): Houston #2877, Hutchinson #3330, Smith #8636

The owner and Attorney Milton Magee stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$600.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation. (Account #BR4011)

The Following Location(s) is in Violation of A C Rule C5, D4 (NO) Priors:

16. Tseha Woldemariam – 3007 Johnson Avenue – Sheger, Inc. – dba – "Johnson Street Mart" – Citation(s) #880579

Date of Violation(s): Saturday, December 8, 2018

Date Permit Approved: March 19, 2008

Officer(s): Aldridge #0135, Galison #3156, Ward #0502

The owner stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$500.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #BR3467)

17. MD Hasan, Muhammad Waheduzzaman, Golap Talukdar – 3605 Summer Avenue – Speedy Express, Inc. – dba – "Speedy Express, Inc." – Citation(s) #880640

Date of Violation(s): Saturday, December 8, 2018

Date Permit Approved: January 4, 2017 Officer(s): Craig #1662, Ward #0502

The owner stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$500.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T12614)

The Following Location(s) is in Violation of A C Rule C5 (NO) Priors:

18. Aman Devji – 1758 North Graham Street – Graham Convenience, LLC – dba – "Graham Food Market" – Citation(s) #880917

Date of Violation(s): Saturday, December 8, 2018

Date Permit Approved: October 21, 2015

Officer(s): Houston #2877, Richardson #1326

The commissioners concluded that they would like for the actual owner, Mr. Aman Devji to appear personally before the Alcohol Commission. Commissioner Reid moved to continue this location to the March 20, 2019 Alcohol Commission meeting. Commissioner O'Malley seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T7413)

VI. The Following Person(s) has Applied to Sell Beer for "ON" Premise Consumption:

19. Fidencio A. Torres Spindola & Leonardo D. Contreras Hernandez – 4212 Winchester Road – La Casa Del Chapin, LLC – dba – "La Casa Del Chapin, LLC"

Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Chase moved approval. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.* (Account #T20319)

VII. The Following Person(s) has Applied to Sell Beer for "OFF" Premise Consumption:

20. Moheeb Nasser (POA) – 5982 East Holmes Road – Holmes Road Express Grill and Market, Inc. – dba – "Holmes Express Grill & Market"

Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Chase moved approval. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.* (Account #T20311)

21. Zeeshan Meghani & Shirin Meghani – 314-322 North Cleveland Street – RMZ Enterprise, Inc. – dba - "Classic Mart" Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner* Chase moved approval. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed. (Account #T20386) 22. Rafiq Rupani – 5510 East Shelby Drive, Suite 101 – ANSD, LLC – dba – "Shelby Express" Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner* Chase moved approval. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed. (Account #T20304) 23. MD S. Hossen - 1681 Winchester Road - Standard Food & Fuel, Inc. - dba - "Winchester Express" Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner* Chase moved approval. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed. (Account #T20289) 24. April McNeil – 1362 South Main Street – dba – "McNeil Neighborhood Market" Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner* Chase moved approval. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed. (Account #T20070) 25. Muhammad Alam, Mohammad Howlader, Marina Rahman, Mostofa Sarwar - 1608 Getwell Road Shima Enterprise, Inc. – dba – "Getwell Food Mart" Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner* Chase moved approval. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed. (Account #T20160) **New Business Old Business** Adjournment – There being no further business to come before the commission, Commissioner Johnson moved for adjournment at approximately 10:35 a.m. Commissioner Post seconded. The motion passed. Jared Johnson, Chairman Date

Date

Joy Touliatos, Executive Secretary

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