

# City of Memphis

## Alcohol Commission Meeting Minutes

### July 21, 2021

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- I. Call to Order** – The regularly scheduled meeting of the Alcohol Commission was called to order at approximately 9:10 a.m. by Sergeant-at-Arms Officer Gerald Lake.
- II. Roll Call** – The following Commissioners were present: Claudette Boyd, Barry Chase, Chad Hampton, Erma Hayslett, Jared Johnson and Anna Vergos Blair. The following Commissioners were not present: Renee Poe, Steven Reid and Johnsie Wallace Gault.
- III. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting (July 7, 2021)** – The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed electronically prior to today’s meeting. *Commissioner Chase moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.*
- IV. Special Beer Applicant(s)**
1. Rebekah McDuffie – 335 South Hollywood Street – “Memphis Chicken and Beer Festival”  
Date(s): August 14, 2021  
Time: 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
Rain Date: N/A  
Sponsoring Organization: iHeartMedia and Dorothy Day House  
Purpose of funds: Charitable; 25 booth(s)  
Ms. McDuffie and Ms. Hall were present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Vergos Blair moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.  
(Account #T5913)
  2. Michael Glenn – 7777 Walnut Grove Road (Agricenter) – “Attitude MMA Fight”  
Date(s): July 24, 2021  
Time: 5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.  
Rain Date: N/A  
Sponsoring Organization: Attitude MMA Fights  
Purpose of funds: For Profit; 3 booth(s)  
Mr. Glenn was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Vergos Blair moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Hayslett seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.  
(Account #T6162)
  3. James Blair – 405 North Cleveland Street – “Movie Night at Lodge”  
Date(s): July 23, July 30, August 6, August 13 & August 20, 2021  
Time: 7:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.  
Rain Date(s): July 24, July 31, August 7, August 14 & August 21, 2021  
Sponsoring Organization: Black Lodge  
Purpose of funds: For Profit; 1 booth(s)

Mr. Blair was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Vergos Blair moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T24550)

V. **Violations:**

**The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C5, D4 (WITH) priors:**

4. Rafiq Ali – 6224 Macon Road – Rins, Inc. – dba – “Macon Mart” – Citation(s) #909060

Date of Violation(s): Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Date Permit Approved: February 4, 2015

**Prior Violation(s): 1-26-2019 (C4, C5, D4)**

**7-24-2017 (C5, D4)**

Officer(s): Mosby #5668, Smith #8636

**(Indefinitely suspended for failure to appear at the July 7, 2021 meeting)**

*Commissioner Chase moved to lift the indefinite suspension. Commissioner Vergos Blair seconded. The motion passed.* Mr. Ali and Attorney Alexander Wharton were present and stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner Chase moved to fine the location \$1,000.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Hayslett seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account T4778)

**The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C5, D4 (NO) priors:**

5. Intasar Jaber – 2240 Whitten Road – JJ Mart, Inc. – dba – “JJ Mart” – Citation(s) #869483

Date of Violation(s): Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Date Permit Approved: November 15, 2017

Officer(s): Ward #0502, Fort #11595

Mr. Jaber and Attorney Sam Jaber were present and 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 beer permit. Commissioner Vergos Blair seconded. The motion passed.*

The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account T15763)

**The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C5 (NO) priors:**

6. Hwan Jae Lee and Jun Ho Lee – 3750 Hacks Cross Road, Suite 112 – dba – “DWJ Korean Restaurant” – Citation(s) #M120825

Date of Violation(s): Thursday, February 20, 2020

Date Permit Approved: June 5, 2019

Officer(s): Davis #10096, Crook #7956

**(Indefinitely suspended for failure to appear at the June 16, 2021 meeting)**

*Commissioner Chase moved to lift the indefinite suspension. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.* Mr. Jun Lee and Attorney Jim Curry were present and 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 beer permit. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account T21424)

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

7. Thu Thuy Thi Tran & Cindy Pham – 1645 Bonnie Lane, Suite 101 – Pho 4Ever, LLC – dba – “Pho 4Ever Restaurant & Bar”  
Ms. Tran and Cuong Pham (Translator) were present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, ***Commissioner Vergos Blair moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.***  
(Account #T25857)
8. Sharelle Correnthi – 4806 Cromwell Avenue – Correnti Pink Bar Bistro, LLC – dba – “Correnti Pink Bar Bistro, LLC”  
Ms. Correnthi was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, ***Commissioner Boyd moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.***  
(Account #T25808)
9. Tyson Bridge – 265 South Front Street – Locals in Memphis, LLC – dba – “Paramount”  
Mr. Bridge was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, ***Commissioner Vergos Blair moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.***  
(Account #T25912)
10. Frederick Hughes – 107 South Germantown Parkway – FSH Enterprise, LLC – dba – “The Butcher Shop Steakhouse”  
No one appeared for this location. ***Commissioner Chase moved to continue this location to the August 4, 2021 Alcohol Commission meeting. Commissioner Vergos Blair seconded. The motion passed.***  
(Account #T25888)
11. Tawanda Knight (POA) – 962 Shady Grove Drive – Memphis Lessee, LLC – dba – “Hampton Inn & Suites Memphis”  
Ms. Knight was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, ***Commissioner Vergos Blair moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Hayslett seconded. The motion passed.***  
(Account #T25911)

VII. **New Liquor Store(s):**

12. Letitia Seymore – 2821 Airways Blvd. – dba – “Donte’s Happy Hour Liquor & Wine”  
Ms. Seymore and Mr. Benjamin Walker were present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the Commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Chase moved to recommend to the Mayor and the Mayor will recommend to the State for approval. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.***  
(Account #T25915)
13. Arerion Yarbrough – 1237 Getwell Road – Easy Stop Liquor Shop, LLC – dba – “Easy Stop Liquor Shop”  
Ms. Yarbrough was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the Commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Chase moved to recommend to the Mayor***


*and the Mayor will recommend to the State for approval. Commissioner Vergos Blair seconded. The motion passed.*  
(Account #T25988)

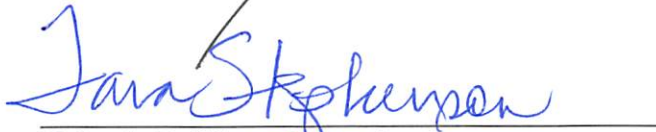
VIII. New Business

IX. Old Business

X. **Adjournment** – There being no further business to come before the commission, *Commissioner Boyd moved for adjournment at approximately 10:03 a.m. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion passed.*

  
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Jared Johnson, Chairman

  
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Yolanda Fullilove, Executive Secretary

  
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