

City of Memphis Alcohol Commission Meeting Minutes October 6, 2021

- I. Call to Order The regularly scheduled meeting of the Alcohol Commission was called to order at approximately 9:06 a.m. by Sergeant-at-Arms Officer Gerald Lake.
- II. Roll Call The following Commissioners were present: Claudette Boyd, Barry Chase, Jared Johnson, Erma Hayslett, Steven Reid, and Chad Hampton. The following Commissioners were not present: Renee Poe and Johnsie Wallace Gault.
- III. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting (September 15, 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. Rachel Taylor – 652 Adams Avenue – "Solus Premiere: Soulless Masquerade"

Date(s): October 9, 2021

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Rain Date: November 6, 2021

Sponsoring Organization: Solus Film Corporation

Purpose of funds: For Profit; 2 booth(s)

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

(Account #T26415)

2. Kelsee McKim Carr - 6903 Great View Drive North - "A Kindred Night Out"

Date(s): November 6, 2021 Time: 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Kindred Place Purpose of funds: Charitable; 2 booth(s)

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

(Account #T24533)

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3. Molly Willmott – 2613 Broad Avenue – "Broad Avenue Art Walk"

Date(s): November 6, 2021 Time: 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Broad Avenue Arts District

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 2 booth(s)

Ms. Willmott was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Reid moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Hayslett seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T16083)

4. Molly Willmott – 1350 Concourse Way – "Memphis Crafts & Drafts"

Date(s): November 13 & 14, 2021 Time: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Memphis Flyer/Crosstown Arts

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

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

(Account #T16083)

5. Jose Rodriguez – 4835 American Way – "Rodeo Event Center"

Date(s): October 9 - 30, 2021 Time: 8:00 p.m. - 3:00 a.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Rodeo Event Center Series

Purpose of funds: For Profit; 3 booth(s)

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

(Account #T17004)

V. Violations:

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C1, C4, C5(WITH) priors:

6. Nooruddin Khotea – 1559 Lamar Avenue – dba – "Valero" – Citation(s) #974415

Date of Violation(s): June 8, 2021 Date Permit Approved: March 4, 2015

Prior Violation(s): December 18, 2018 (C5)

Officer(s): Ward #0502, Martin #0410, Langham #0400

Mr. Khotea was present and stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$850.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Khotea agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T1125)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C4, C5 (WITH) priors:

7. Ephriem Umena & Alemayehu Thirunhe – 563 East Mallory Avenue – dba – "Roma Mart" – Citation(s) #908791, OS402338

Date of Violation(s): March 18, 2021 Date Permit Approved: December 22, 2016 **Prior Violation(s): May 20, 2018 (C5, D4)** Officer(s): Houston #2877, Mosby #5668, Smith #8636

Mr. Larry Fitzgerald (Attorney) was present, the owner was not present. Commissioner Chase moved to continue this location to the October 20, 2021 Alcohol Commission meeting. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #BR4452)

8. Abubakar Ali – 740 East McLemore Avenue – dba – "Friendly Food Mart" – Citation(s) #939156, OS396421

Date of Violation(s): March 18, 2021 Date Permit Approved: June 18, 2014 **Prior Violation(s): June 30, 2017 (C5)**

Officer(s): Martin #0410, Ward #0502, Langham #0400

Mr. Ali was present and stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$950.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Ali agreed to the fine and probation. (Account #T1787)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C4 (WITH) priors:

9. Lutfi B. Ahmed – 2756 Getwell Road – dba – "GEM Texaco Food Mart" – Citation(s) #OS396423, OS369424

Date of Violation(s): March 20, 2021 Date Permit Approved: June 2, 2004 **Prior Violation: March 9, 2019 (C5, D4)** Officer(s): Ward #0502, Gillard #1576

Mr. Ahmed & Patrick Bensinger (Attorney) was present and 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 beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Ahmed agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #BR4418)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C1 (WITH) priors:

10. Anjanae Burns – 1551 Netherwood Avenue – dba – "Glenview Grocery" – Citation(s) #OS396419

Date of Violation(s): March 18, 2021 Date Permit Approved: October 5, 2015 **Prior Violation(s): April 27, 2018 (C4)** Officer(s): Ward #0502, Langham #0400

Mrs. Burns was present and 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 beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. Chairman Johnson asked for a roll call vote. Commissioner Boyd and Commissioner Chase voted no. Commissioner Hayslett, Reid, and Hampton voted yes. The motion passed with a yes. Ms. Burns agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T12019)

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

11. Abdulhamid Yonis & Zekaria Abdurehman – 1336 Poplar Avenue – dba – "One Stop B & P" – Citation(s) #974417

Date of Violation(s): June 8, 2021

Date Permit Approved: September 16, 1998

Officer(s): Collins #13617, Martin #0410, Houston #2877

Mr. Yonis was 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 Reid seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Yonis agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #BR1764)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C1, C4 (NO) priors:

12. Isshaq N. Saleh – 1252 East McLemore – dba – "McLemore Express" – Citation(s) #OS396417

Date of Violation(s): March 18, 2021 Date Permit Approved: December 20, 2013 Officer(s): Ward #0502, Langham #0400

Mr. Saleh was present and 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 beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Saleh agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #BR4670)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C4 (NO) priors:

13. Degan Wais – 1503 East McLemore Avenue – dba – "McLemore Market" – Citation(s) #OS369418

Date of Violation(s): March 18, 2021 Date Permit Approved: October 30, 2013 Officer(s): Ward #0502, Langham #0400

Ms. Wais was present and stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$100.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed. Ms. Wais agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #BR4632)

14. Ennab Ennab – 2675 Getwell Road, Suite 101 – dba – "Intisar, Inc." – Citation(s) #396422

Date of Violation(s): March 20, 2021 Date Permit Approved: December 18, 2019 Officer(s): Gillard #1576, Ward #0502

Mr. Ennab & Jim Curry (Attorney) was present and stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$100.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Ennab agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T23245)

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

15. Jessica Carnell & Kevin Carnell – 2006 Madison Avenue – Molly's Restaurant, LLC - dba – "Molly's La Casita"

Mrs. Carnell & Matthew Gabriel (Attorney) was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Reid moved to approve the beer permit. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.*

(Account #T26228)

16. Marco Puerto – 2798 New Brunswick Road – Cocina Mexicana Memphis, Inc. - dba – "Cocina Mexicana Bar & Grill"

Mr. Puerto was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, Commissioner Reid moved to approve the beer permit. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T26394)

17. Jose Flores – 948 South Cooper Street – Margaritas of Cooper Young, LLC – dba – "Margaritas of Cooper Young"

The applicant was not present. Commissioner Reid moved to continue this location to the October 20, 2021 Alcohol Commission meeting. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T26339)

18. Javier Sanchez/ Christian Ramirez (POA)— 5959 Winchester Road, Suite 7 – Las Carinosas, LLC – dba – "Las Carinosas"

Mr. Ramirez was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, Chairman Johnson requested that the owner be present to answer questions about the establishment. Commissioner Chase moved to continue this location to the October 20, 2021 Alcohol Commission meeting. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T26303)

VII. The Following Person(s) has Applied to Sell Beer for "OFF < 10%" Premise Consumption:

19. Abdu Abbubakar – 1720 Hunter Avenue – dba – "Sun Shine Grocery"

Ms. Abbubakr was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, Commissioner Reid moved to approve the beer permit. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T25221)

VIII. Liquor Store Transfer of Ownership(s)

20. LaQuita Sullivan – 2832 North Germantown Parkway, Suite 108 – Cordova Discount Liqour, LLC – dba – "Cordova Liquor"

Ms. Sullivan was present. Upon routine questioning by the Commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, Commissioner Reid moved to recommend to the Mayor and the Mayor will recommend to the State for approval. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T26433)

21. Scott Smith—644 Madison Avenue, Suite 101 – dba – "Rootstock Wine Merchants" Mr. Smith was present. Upon routine questioning by the Commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, Commissioner Reid moved to recommend to the Mayor and the Mayor will recommend to the State for approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed. (Account #T26506)

IX. New Business

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XI.	Adjournment – There being no further business to Hampton moved for adjournment at approximate The motion passed.	
	Jared Johnson, Chairman	Date Date
	Yolanda Fullilove, Executive Secretary	10/20/2021 Date