

City of Memphis Alcohol Commission Minutes December 6, 2017

- **I.** Call to Order The regularly scheduled meeting of the Alcohol Commission was called to order at approximately 9:08 a.m. by Sergeant-At-Arms Officer Gerald Lake.
- **II. Roll Call** The following Commissioners were present: Barry Chase, Erma Hayslett, Jared Johnson, Thomas O'Malley, Renee Poe, Billy Post and Johnsie Wallace Gault. The following Commissioners were not present: Sherman Greer and Steven Reid.
- III. Approval of the Minutes from the Previous Meeting The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed electronically prior to this meeting. Commissioner Chase motioned to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.
- **IV.** Special Beer Applicant(s):

1. Ronald Estes – 2886 Wolfcreek Parkway – "Rock N Roll Sushi Grand Opening"

Date(s): December 6, 2017 – January 5, 2018

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. (Sundays 12:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.)

Sponsoring Organization: None

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 O'Malley seconded. The motion passed.*

2. María Guevara – 3766 Ridgeway Road – "La Posada de la Raza (Christmas Party)"

Date(s): December 16, 2017 Time: 4:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.

Sponsoring Organization: La Raza Newspaper

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.

3. Daniel Masters – 409 South Main Street – "Soft Opening of Civil Pour"

Date(s): December 6, 2017 – January 3, 2018

Time: 3:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. Sponsoring Organization: None

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 Poe seconded. The motion passed.*

V. **Violation(s):**

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

4. Mike Khmous – 3151 South Perkins Road – dba – "Hop In" – Citation #830554

Date of Violation(s): Wednesday, August 16, 2017

Date Permit Approved: July 18, 2012

Prior(s): 8-25-16 (C5)

Officer(s): Galison #3156, 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. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

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

5. Ammar Odeh – 3796 East Shelby Drive – dba – "Hop In" – Citation #830183

Date of Violation(s): Friday, August 11, 2017 Date Permit Approved: February 18, 2015

Prior(s): 8-20-15 (C4, C5) 8-15-14 (C5)

Officer(s): Gary #1433, Smith #8636, Stepney #1348

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 Chase seconded. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

6. Belal Al-Shugaa – 850 West Raines Road – dba – "Royal Kings Grocery" – Citation #743425

Date of Violation(s): Friday, August 18, 2017

Date Permit Approved: June 3, 2015 **Prior(s): 2-9-16 (C5, C20, D4)**

Officer(s): A. Smith #2829, Smith #8636, Stepney #1348

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 Poe seconded. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

7. John McNelis – Mirabile Investment Corporation – 6434 East Shelby Drive – dba – "All In One #846" – **Citation #830126**

Date of Violation(s): Friday, August 11, 2017

Date Permit Approved: April 7, 1999

Prior(s): 4-25-17 (C5)

Officer(s): Galison #3156, Jones #10536, Richardson #1326

Tanya Spence, store representative, 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 Chase seconded. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

8. Ismael Zandani – 4770 Horn Lake Road – "Community Grocery" – Citation #830553

Date of Violation(s): Friday, August 18, 2017 Date Permit Approved: December 7, 2011

Prior(s): 5-21-16 (C4, C5)

Officer(s): Gary #1433, Richardson#1326, 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. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

The Following Location(s) is in Violation of A C Rule C1, C4 (WITH) Priors:

9. Ebrahim A. Abdullah – 2638 Southern Avenue – dba – "Belt-Line Mart" – Citation #C-334744

Date of Violation(s): Saturday, August 19, 2017

Date Permit Approved: May 5, 2010

Prior(s): 8-16-14 (C5)

Officer(s): Payment #6785, Ward #0502

The owner stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$400.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

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

10. Paramjit Kaur – 1651 Getwell Road – dba – "Getwell Gas & Foodmart" – Citation #OS-375600 Date of Violation(s): Wednesday, August 16, 2017

Date Permit Approved: May 20, 2015

Prior(s): 8-25-16 (C5, D4)

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

The owner 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. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

11. Robert Dodge – Savings Oil Company, Inc. – 5192 South Third Street – dba – "**Dodge's Store**" – **Citation #C-315177**

Date of Violation(s): Friday, August 18, 2017 Date Permit Approved: August 25, 1978

Prior(s): 4-21-15 (C5)

Officer(s): Gary #1433, Ward #0502

Paul Bradley, Store Representative, did not stipulate to the charge, but suggested that the charge be changed to a C1 instead of a C4, because of a discrepancy on the violation. Mr. Bradley stated that the employee did possess their beer vendor card but he also stated that the beer permit was not on display. There was a motion to change the charge to a C1. There was no second. The motion was then put to a vote. Commissioner Johnson voted yes, Commissioner Hayslett voted no, Commissioner O'Malley voted no, Commissioner Post voted no, Commissioner Chase voted yes, Commissioner Wallace Gault voted yes and Commissioner Poe voted yes. After more discussion Commissioner Wallace moved to rescind the motion. Commissioner Poe seconded. Commissioner Hayslett motioned to keep the violation as a C4 and fine the location \$200.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. There was no second. Commissioner Post moved that the violation be dismissed. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion to dismiss the violation passed.

The Following Location(s) is in Violation of A C Rule C1 (WITH) Priors:

12. Nedal Khmous – 5405 Knight Arnold Road – dba – "Amana Market" – Citation #OS-374655

Date of Violation(s): Wednesday, August 16, 2017

Date Permit Approved: July 20, 2016

Prior(s): 8-24-16 (C5, D10)

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

The owner did not show. Mr. Howard stated that the owner of this location has fees totaling \$1,083.00 which consists of \$263.00 returned check for the beer permit application, \$20.00 returned check fee, \$600 AC fine, \$100.00 for the 2016 beer permit renewal and \$100.00 for the 2017 beer permit renewal. *Commissioner Post moved to revoke the permit. Commissioner Hayslett seconded. The motion passed.*

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

13. Senan Alzandani – 1473 Corning Street – dba – "J & R Food Mart" – Citation #824847

Date of Violation(s): Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Date Permit Approved: August 1, 2012

Officer(s): Galison #3156, Payment #6785, Stepney #1348

The owner 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 Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

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

14. Ahmad Abushanab – 4810 Cromwell Avenue – dba – "Cromwell Pizza & Deli" – Citation #830240

Date of Violation(s): Friday, August 11, 2017 Date Permit Approved: December 7, 2011

Officer(s): Gary #1433, Smith #8636, Stepney #1348

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 Poe seconded. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

15. Mojeeb Alkaifee – 639 East Shelby Drive – dba – "Shelby Dr. Marathon" – Citation #830552

Date of Violation(s): Friday, August 18, 2017

Date Permit Approved: January 4, 2017

Officer(s): Gary #1433, Richardson #1326, Ward #0502

Attorney Jack Sherman and 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.

16. Saleh Alroaini – 458 Buntyn Street – dba – "Foodtown Market" – Citation #830088

Date of Violation(s): Saturday, August 19, 2017

Date Permit Approved: February 7, 2007

Officer(s): Langham #0400, A. Smith #2829, Smith #8636

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 Poe

seconded. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

17. Caglar Bulut – Lamar Express Mart, LLC – 4999 East Shelby Drive – dba – "Lamar Express Mart" – Citation #830127

Date of Violation(s): Friday, August 11, 2017

Date Permit Approved: July 19, 2017

Officer(s): Galison #3156, Jones #10536, Richardson #1326

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.

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

18. Man Yee Kan – Mulan Asian Bistro, Inc. – 2149 Young Avenue – dba – "Mulan Asian Bistro" – Citation #830222

Date of Violation(s): Saturday, August 19, 2017

Date Permit Approved: April 4, 2012

Officer(s): Payment #6785, Richardson #1326, Ward #0502

The owner 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 Poe seconded. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

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

- 19. McNeal Hopper 141 East Carolina Avenue Watershed, LLC dba "Carolina Watershed" Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Chase moved approval. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*
- 20. Alejandro Gomez-Rodriguez 1335 North Germantown Parkway MTKLA, LLC dba "Te'kila Mexican Bar & Grill"

Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Chase moved approval. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*

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

21. Bekele Mako/Shimeket Gunjo – 630 South B. B. King Blvd. – Downtown Fuel & Deli, Inc. – dba – "Downtown Fuel & Deli"

Attorney Islam Jaber was present along with the owner to represent the location. There was further discussion on whether or not this applicant could hold a beer permit because of past violations within the past 10 years at other locations. After extensive discussion on this matter, it was determined that further research be conducted regarding the legalities of this matter. *Commissioner Chase moved that this item be continued to the December 20, 2017 Alcohol Commission meeting. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*

22. Syed Hossain – 4150 Millbranch Road – AE Food & Fuel Enterprise, Inc. – dba – "Millbranch Food Mart"

Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Chase moved approval. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*

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| Jared Johnson, Chairman | Date |
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