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SAFETY SERVICES & LICENSES COMMITTEE

Regular meeting of the Safety Services and Licenses Committee was held on Monday, March 1, 2021 via Zoom webinar.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 P.M. by the Chair.

Present: Councilman Robert J. Ferri
Councilwoman Lammis J. Vargas
Councilwoman Aniece Germain
Council Vice-President Edward J. Brady
Councilman Matthew R. Reilly, Vice-Chair
Councilwoman Nicole Renzulli, Chair
Council President Christopher G. Paplauskas

Also Present: Councilman John P. Donegan
Councilwoman Jessica M. Marino
John Verdecchia, Assistant City Solicitor
Acting Fire Chief James Warrren, Fire Department
David Dimaio, City Council Budget Analyst
Leanne Zarrella, City Clerk
Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees
Heather Finger, Stenographer

I. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

On motion by Councilman Reilly, seconded by Councilman Ferry, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and they stand approved a recorded. Motion passed unanimously.

II. COMMITTEE BUSINESS MATTERS CARRIED OVER

None.

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS and NEW MATTERS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

TRANSFER OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE-NEW

FROM: *VP Hospitality Corp.* 1401 Park Ave.
d/b/a Mai Thai Cuisine Cranston

TO: *Park Place, LLC.* 1401 Park Ave.
d/b/a 1401 Park Place
Jose Toledo

David Vasco, Transferor, appeared to speak.

On motion by Councilman Ferri, seconded by Council Vice-President Brady, it was voted to approve this license transfer application.

Under Discussion:

Jose Toledo, Transferee, appeared to speak.

Council President Paplauskas asked what the hours of operation will be and what type of business this will be. Mr. Toledo stated that this is going to be a typical bar and grill with food served and hours of operation will be from 12 pm to 1 am.

No one appeared to oppose.

Roll call was taken on motion to approve the above license transfer application and motion passed unanimously.

TRANSFER OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE – NEW

FROM : *M. Flaherty & Associates, Inc.* 526 Pontiac Ave
*d/b/a Cork & Bottle – **Objection in accordance with RIGL 3-5-19***

TO : *OJohn, LLC.* 210 Garfield Ave.
d/b/a Cork & Bottle
Marc B. Gertsacov, Esq.
John Wilson

Chair stated that the Clerk has informed her that a letter of objection has been filed and asked Solicitor to speak regarding this.

Solicitor stated that he reviewed the letter form Attorney Paul Pisano, who represents MS Walker of RI and who is all edgingly is owed \$5,480.

Attorney Marc Gertsacov appeared to speak and stated that he is representing the Transferor and stated that the License Clerk, Ms. Carville sent him three objection notices, but they are the normal vendors that service liquor stores and supply Cork & Bottle. He believes that two have already been taken care of and the third will be taken care of within the sale or before.

Solicitor stated that he understands that there is always going to be an overlap in delivery and in billing. The problem he has with this letter of objection from Mr. Pisano is it does not give any date or indication to whether this is a thirty-day, sixty-day or ninety-day overdue. There is no information. He asked if Mr. Gertsacov had any information on this. Attorney Gertsacov stated that he does not know how long those debts are owed. He believes these are normal trade debts that liquor stores carry from their clients typically. His experience of what happens is once the distributors are notified of a transfer that puts all their accounts on COD so there are no further trailing balances. He also stated that Mr. Flaherty, the Transferor, is present on the call and he may be able to share more information with the Committee.

Solicitor asked Mr. Flaherty to state the nature of this debt and when it was incurred.

Michael Flaherty appeared to speak and stated that the way this industry works is like many others. You operate on a thirty-day working terms. So with that, you have a week to week payment to ensure you are within the thirty-day term limit, otherwise, you go on COD. Typically, at closing, all vendors get paid off as well as any other vendor or lienholder.

Solicitor stated that, essentially, this is controlled by the RIGL 3-5-19. It seems to him that Mr. Flaherty acknowledges that this is money that is owed. Mr. Flaherty stated that that is correct and that is when it gets to the State level that the transfer cannot be completed upon closing at which point and time all monies are to be paid off. Solicitor stated that if the Committee so desires to grant the transfer, he suggested that the Committee grant the license subject to all indebtedness of the applicant be discharged.

No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Council President Paplauskas, seconded by Councilwoman Vargas, it was voted to approve this license transfer application subject to all indebtedness be discharged. Motion passed unanimously.

HOLIDAY SALES LICENSE

OJOHN, LLC. d/b/a Cork & Bottle -pending RI retail sales cert 210 Garfield Ave.
Marc B. Gertsacov, Esq.
John Wilson

On motion by Council President Paplauskas, seconded by Councilwoman Germain, it was voted to approve this license application pending RI Retail Sales Certificate. Motion passed unanimously.

Prime Comms Retail LLC d/b/a AT&T Authorized Dealer 540A Reservoir Ave.
Justin Barros

Justin Barros appeared to speak. No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Councilman Brady, seconded by Council President Paplauskas, it was voted to approve this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

VICTUALLING LICENSE

Alani's Bistro

Amy Fares and Mike Alani

74 Rolfe Sq.

Mike Alani, Manager, appeared to speak.

On motion by Council President Paplauskas, seconded by Council Vice-President Brady, it was voted to approve this license application.

Under Discussion:

Councilwoman Vargas asked what the hours of operation will be. Mr. Alani stated that the hours of operation will be 10-10 Mondays thru Fridays and 10-12 Saturdays and Sunday. No one appeared to oppose.

Roll call was taken on motion to approve the above license and motion passed unanimously.

Cozy Caterers, LLC.

Mark S. Brown

1418 Plainfield Pike

Mark Brown appeared to speak and stated hours of operation will be the same as prior business: Wednesdays and Thursdays 12-9, Fridays 12-10 and Sundays 12-8. No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Council Vice-President Brady, seconded by Councilwoman Germain, it was voted to approve this license application.

Daily Nutrition

Kerri Stetson

663 Oaklawn Ave.

Kerri Stetson appeared to speak and stated hours of operation to be 6-6 Mondays thru Fridays and 6-1 Saturdays and Sundays. No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Councilwoman Vargas, seconded by Councilwoman Germain, it was voted to approve this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

Mario's Italian Deli

Joshua Silva-same location, new owner

164 Gansett Ave.

Stephen Waldeck appeared to represent the owner. No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Council President Paplauskas, seconded by Council Vice-President Brady, it was voted to approve this license application.

Sophie's Sweets

Stephanie-Anne Peltier

1458 Park Ave, Unit 5

Stephanie Peltier appeared to speak. No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Council Vice-President Brady, seconded by Councilman Ferri, it was voted to approve this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

WASTE HAULER LICENSE
Hippo Disposal, Inc.
Mr. Shou Liu Li

207 Union Ave, Providence

No one appeared to speak in favor or to oppose.

On motion by Council Vice-President Brady, seconded by Councilman Ferri, it was voted to continue this license application. Motion passed unanimously.

III. TRAFFIC ENGINEER

None.

IV. SHOW CAUSE

None.

V. POLICE DEPARTMENT

None.

VI. FIRE DEPARTMENT

None.

VII. LICENSE RENEWALS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

GRAVEL BANK LICENSE
P.J. Keating Co.

875 Phenix Ave.

On motion by Council Vice-President Brady, seconded by Councilman Ferri, it was voted to approve this license renewal application.

Motion and second were withdrawn.

On motion by Council Vice-President Brady, seconded by Councilman Ferri, it was voted to continue this license application and have applicant appear at the next meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

HOLIDAY SALES LICENSE

Aaron's Sales and Lease Ownership #C1805

Advance Auto Parts #8907

Aldi #36

Aldi #39

Atwood Greenhouses, Inc.

Aum Shakti, Inc. d/b/a Cranston Liquors

Bath & Body Works, LLC. #4375

BD Mart Inc.

Blooming Mad, Inc.

Bob's Stores #7

Central Beauty Supply Inc.

Cityline Convenience Plus

Classic Liquors

Cumberland Farms #1249

Cumberland Farms #1279

CVS Pharmacy #212

Dollar General Store #15772

Dollar General Store #18251

Dollar General Store #22027

Dollar Tree #01599

Dollar Tree #01794

Dollar Tree #4792

Dollar Tree #5804

Dollar Tree #07804

Expo Nails

Family Dollar #32225

Family Dollar #32418

Francesca's Collections

Garden Hills Fruit & Deli

GNC

J. Jill #140

Jos. A. Bank Clothiers, Inc. #59

LEV Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Majestic Liquors

Ocean State Job Lot #120

Ocean State Job Lot #125

O'Reilly Auto Parts #5014

Party City

Petco #3705

Providence Diamond Co.

Rhode Island Hydroponics

Sephora USA, Inc. d/b/a Sephora #436

Shree Maa of RI, Inc. d/b/a SRL Mart

Talbots #262

460 Reservoir Ave.

250 Atwood Ave.

1015 Cranston St.

1138 Pontiac Ave.

700 Atwood Ave.

1219 Cranston St.

69 Hillside Rd.

1356 Cranston St.

1745 Broad St.

1400 Oaklawn Ave.

589 Reservoir Ave.

1015 Narragansett Blvd.

1358 Plainfield St.

921 Cranston St.

659 Reservoir Ave.

681 Reservoir Ave.

1548 Broad St.

1315 Park Ave.

550 Dyer Ave.

1400 Oaklawn Ave.

252 Garfield Ave.

1776 Plainfield Pike

1285 Reservoir Ave.

819 Park Ave.

800 Oaklawn Ave.

480 Atwood Ave.

570 Pontiac Ave.

37 Hillside Dr.

763 Oaklawn Ave.

1000 Chapel View Blvd.

78 Hillside Rd.

80 Hillside Rd.

1075 Park Ave.

1441 Elmwood Ave.

148 Atwood Ave.

355 Atwood Ave.

162 Hillside Rd.

10 Chapel View Blvd.

65 Hillside Rd.

420 Atwood Ave.

142 Hillside Rd.

480 Pontiac Ave.

27-29 Hillside Rd.

HOLIDAY SALES LICENSE (Cont.)

The Children's Place

The Color House

The Time Capsule

The Yankee Candle Company, Inc.

TJ Maxx #1228

Victoria's Secret Stores, LLC. #586

Walgreen's #03491

Walgreen's #02850

72 Hillside Rd.

1107 Reservoir Ave.

537 Pontiac Ave.

75 Hillside Rd.

20 Chapel View Blvd.

35 Hillside Rd.

1763 Broad St.

1010 Park Ave.

On motion by Council Vice-President Brady, seconded by Council President Paplauskas, it was voted to take a vote on all the above license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

On motion by Council President Paplauskas, seconded by Council Vice-President Brady, it was voted to approve all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

MOBILE FOOD ESTABLISHMENT LICENSES

Atomic Blonde Ice Cream-Laura Sebastian

59 Woodmont St., Providence

DVM Foods, Inc. d/b/a Del's Lemonade

298 Park Ave.

Galley Wagon LLC d/b/a The Village Greek-Efrosyni Iosiphidis

21 Marcy St.

Presto Strange O-Jessica Case

26 Newton Ave

Rhode Island Kona, LLC d/b/a Kona Ice of Warwick/EG-Joyce Bouchard

4 Cider Ln, Greenville

Supa Dupa-Brenda Britt

20 Oregon Ave, Woonsocket

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PRIVATE DETECTIVE LICENSES

Michael Manni #490-

597 Oaklawn Ave.

On motion by Council Vice-President Brady, seconded by Councilman Reilly, it was voted to approve this license renewal application.

SECONDHAND LICENSES

<i>2nd Time Around Sports</i>	453 Atwood Ave.
<i>Abrakadabra</i>	386 Dyer Ave.
<i>Christopher III</i>	151 Park Ave.
<i>Delman Watch Co.</i>	650G Oaklawn Ave.
<i>Eric's Way</i>	471 Atwood Ave.
<i>Fine Malt Vintage</i>	1986 Broad St.
<i>Funes Towing</i>	36 Dewey St.
<i>House of Cards</i>	310 Atwood Ave.
<i>Innercity Recycling Services, LLC.</i>	85 Carlsbad St.
<i>K&K Treasure</i>	1273-1275 Cranston St.
<i>Manny & Sons Auto Repair</i>	391 Dyer Ave.
<i>Providence Diamond Co.</i>	65 Hillside Rd.
<i>Tag Sale Treasures</i>	2154 Broad St.
<i>The Time Capsule</i>	537 Pontiac Ave.
<i>UNICOM, INC.</i>	881 Dyer Ave.
<i>Village Art & Antiques</i>	2145 Broad St.

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On motion by Councilman Ferri, seconded by Councilwoman Vargas, it was voted to approve all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

USED CAR LICENSES

<i>Atlantic Autocenter</i>	616 Atwood Ave.
<i>Caravan Auto</i>	1185 Cranston St.
<i>Car Max Auto Superstores, Inc.</i>	153 Bald Hill Rd.
<i>Chestnut Hill Truck & Auto</i>	21 Calef St.
<i>Cranston Auto Sales</i>	19 Elena St.
<i>D&M Motor Sales</i>	50 Libera St.
<i>Dyer Ave. Motors</i>	454 Dyer Ave.
<i>Funes Towing</i>	36 Dewey St.
<i>J. D. Byrider Auto Sales</i>	615 Reservoir Ave.
<i>Josy Auto Repair</i>	1640 Elmwood Ave.
<i>Lajara Auto Sales, Inc.</i>	1141 Cranston St.
<i>Moretti's Auto Sales</i>	510 Atwood Ave.
<i>Park Avenue Auto Sales</i>	716 Park Ave.
<i>Passport Automotive Group</i>	85 Budlong Rd.
<i>Russo's Auto Sales</i>	519 Dyer Ave.
<i>Volare Motors</i>	1003 Park Ave.

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VICTUALLING LICENSES

*Bestway-Atwood
Boulevard Pizza*

280 Atwood Ave.
1031 Narragansett Blvd.

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On motion by Council President Paplauskas, seconded by Councilman Ferri, it was voted to approve all the above-listed license renewal applications as a block. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. MONTHLY SCHEDULES

848 PARK THEATRE – no events scheduled

No action needed.

RHODES ON THE PAWTUXET – no events scheduled

No action needed.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

• COVID-19 EVENTS

Rhodes on the Pawtuxet

60 Rhodes Place

Life Line Screening Date: Feb. 9, 2021 8am-4pm

On motion by Council President Paplauskas, seconded by Council Vice-President Brady, it was voted to approve the ratification of the above license application. Motion passed unanimously.

Pastore Center

Easter 2021 Event Dates: March 29, March 30, March 31, 2021 155 Gansett Ave.

Regina Lynch appeared to speak regarding this event.

On motion by Council President Paplauskas, seconded by Council Vice-President Brady, it was voted to approve the ratification of the above license application. Motion passed unanimously.

• PRESENTATION

RIPTA Community Update regarding COVID 19 safety protocols (informational only)

On motion by Council President Paplauskas, seconded by Council Vice-President Brady, it was voted to continue this item. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Rosalba Zanni
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees