



City of Waukesha

City Hall,
201 Delafield Street
Waukesha, WI 53188

Meeting Minutes

Ordinance & License Committee

Monday, December 10, 2018

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, City Hall
Use lower level glass door.

1. Call to Order

Present 5 - Perry, Manion, Johnson, Rodriguez, and Lemke

2. Public Comment

None

3. Approval of Minutes

[ID#18-1788](#) O&L Minutes - November 26, 2018

Attachments: [O&L Minutes 11-26-18.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Chairperson Johnson, seconded by Lemke, to approve the Minutes for November 26, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Perry, Manion, Johnson, Rodriguez and Lemke

4. Licenses

[ID#18-1818](#) INVITED Bartender Applications- December 10, 2018

Attachments: [Bartenders 2018.12.10](#)

Katherine Woznicki appeared before the Committee at its request. She appeared with her agent from Buffalo Wild Wings, Rachel Foster. Woznicki has a possession of controlled substance on her record from 2016 and 2018. Woznicki said she was pulled over this year and the officer smelled it. She was not under the influence while driving. Foster said Woznicki has worked at Buffalo Wild Wings for 4 years and is a good employee. They would like to promote her to shift manager and she would be overseeing the operations. She would not be bartending herself. Woznicki also has an OWI from 2014. Woznicki said she has a painful illness that she was medicating. She knows she needs to look to other means of relief; she has started to go to massage therapy and is exercising.

A motion was made by Perry, seconded by Rodriguez, to approve the bartender license for Katherine Woznicki. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Perry, Johnson and Rodriguez

Nay: 2 - Manion and Lemke

[ID#18-1819](#) Bartender Applications - December 10, 2018

Attachments: [Bartenders 2018.12.10](#)

A Motion was made by Chairperson Johnson and seconded by Manion, to approve the remaining bartender applications. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Perry, Manion, Johnson, Rodriguez and Lemke

[ID#18-1821](#) Other Applications - December 10, 2018

Attachments: [Other Licenses 2018.12.10](#)

A motion was made by Chairperson Johnson, seconded by Manion, to approve the Other Applications for December 10, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Perry, Manion, Johnson, Rodriguez and Lemke

5. Review & Act On

[ID#18-1306](#) Review and possibly act on a proposal to repeal section 3.15: Sign Review Board and section 3.16: Sign and Outdoor Advertising Appeals Board, and to modify Chapter 27: Signs and Outdoor Advertising.

Attachments: [Sign Code Update Cover Sheet](#)

Charlie Griffith, Community Development, introduced the proposed amendments to the code relating to signs. The changes bring us in compliance with a recent Supreme Court ruling. The second goal was to streamline the approval process; eliminating the Sign Review Board and Sign Appeal Board. The recent changes in the law allow for a staff review and approval or denial. Appeals previously went to the Sign Appeal Board, which could take up to 6 weeks. The amendment allows for appeals to go before the Plan Commission, which meets every other week.

Rodriguez does not agree with the restrictions on yard signs and signs placed in windows for private property. She supports the balance of the ordinance.

Johnson said there needs to be regulations to control nuisance properties.

Atty Running suggested that the motion be to recommend that the council adopt the amendments with suggested changes.

Ald. Rodriguez made a motion to approve the proposed amendments to ch. 27 with the change that the only restriction for residential be that there is no overlapping of signage onto the right of way; remove restriction to display signs in residential windows; that there be no more than 15 signs on residential neighborhood properties; Comm Dev to determine the size of the signs; motion was seconded by Perry.

Rosie Strauss, 2062 Cliff Alex Ct. S., commented that instead of restricting to 15 signs per yard, she suggested a certain square footage of sign per square footage of lot; Charlie said that is how permanent signs are regulated.

Ald. Manion did the math and the proposed ordinance would allow for 13 political size signs on a residential property. Manion is struggling to see the hesitation with approving the proposed ordinance.

Johnson said it was amazing that they would want the inspection dept. to fine someone or make them move a boat that is parked in a front yard, but they wouldn't be concerned about someone that has 15 signs in their yard.

Ald. Perry made a motion to Call the Question; motion seconded by Rodriguez. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 2 - Perry and Rodriguez

Nay: 3 - Manion, Johnson and Lemke

Vote on original motion:

Aye: 3 - Perry, Rodriguez and Lemke

Nay: 2 - Manion and Johnson

Chairperson Johnson made a motion to repeal secs. 3.15 and 3.16 of the Municipal Code; motion seconded by Perry. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Perry, Manion, Johnson, Rodriguez and Lemke

6. Communications

None

7. Adjournment

Adjourned at 7:13 pm

Ald. Steve Johnson, Chairman

"A majority of the Council members may be in attendance"

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