

# REQUEST FOR LOCAL LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION ACTION

**DATE:** September 1, 2015

**ITEM NO. 2** – Approval of Minutes from July 28, 2015

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Attached for consideration by the Local Liquor Control Commission are minutes from July 28, 2015.

**Recommended Action:**

Approve the above-referenced minutes.

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## LOCAL LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION July 28, 2015

The Local Liquor Control Commission held a meeting on Tuesday, July 28, 2015, in City Council Chambers, Room 108 of the Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois Avenue. Chairman John “Mike” Henry called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following-named members of the Commission present/absent:

### 1. Roll Call

Present: Commissioner Adam Loos, Commissioner Navreet Kang, Commissioner Jessica Bradshaw, Commissioner Carolin Harvey, Commissioner Lee Fronabarger, Commissioner Tom Grant, and Chairman John M. Henry

Absent: None

Also present were City Clerk Jennifer Sorrell, City Manager Kevin Baity, and various members of City Staff.

### 2. Approval of Minutes from June 9 and June 22, 2015

MOTION: Commissioner Kang moved, Commissioner Fronabarger seconded, to approve the minutes of June 9 and June 22, 2015. DISCUSSION: None. VOTE: Ayes: A. Loos, N. Kang, J. Bradshaw, C. Harvey, L. Fronabarger, T. Grant, and J. Henry. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

### 3. Application to transfer a Class B2 liquor license (On-premises consumption – all alcoholic liquors) from Calla Calis, LLC d/b/a Saluki Bar/Levels to Austin Knoob, an individual, d/b/a Saluki Bar/Levels at 760 East Grand Avenue

DISCUSSION: Austin and Greg Knoob were present to respond to questions from the Commission. The Commission offered recommendations relating to the configuration of the beer garden and questioned the current owner about aspects of the beer garden, the management of the facility, and changes to the interior of the bar. City Staff responded to questions from the Commission, questioned the current owner about the fencing and lighting, and indicated an interest in reviewing alterations to the plans from those provided with the beer garden application. MOTION: Commissioner Bradshaw moved, Commissioner Harvey seconded, to approve the transfer of a Class B2 liquor license to Austin Knoob, contingent upon receipt of outstanding items and approval by Building and Neighborhood Services and the Fire Department.

VOTE: Ayes: A. Loos, N. Kang, J. Bradshaw, C. Harvey, L. Fronabarger, T. Grant, and J. Henry. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

### 4. Application for a Class D2 liquor license (Hotel/Motel – all alcoholic liquors) from Sun Rise Motel Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Best Western Saluki Inn at 801 North Giant City

DISCUSSION: Robert Jaeger from WMW Hospitality, Manny Patel of Sunrise Motel Enterprises, Inc., and Chris Huber, General Manager, were present to respond to questions from the Commission. Mr. Jaeger gave an explanation of the role that the hospitality management company plays in the operation of the hotel and the plan for the lounge. The Local Liquor Control Commission questioned the applicant about revenue figures and a lease for parking spaces. Further comments included looking at the Code language for this classification in relation to video gaming, as well as approval of the location moving towards a full-service hotel. MOTION: Commissioner Fronabarger moved, Commissioner Loos seconded, to approve the issuance of a Class D2 liquor license to Sunrise Motel Enterprises d/b/a Best Western Saluki Inn at 801 North Giant City Road, contingent upon receipt of outstanding items.

VOTE: Ayes: A. Loos, N. Kang, J. Bradshaw, C. Harvey, L. Fronabarger, T. Grant, and J. Henry. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

**5. Citizens' Comments and Questions**

Greg Knoob suggested revising the City Code requirement for a liquor license establishment having a manager who resides within City limits and recommended expanding that residency to allow residency within 3 to 5 miles of the City.

**6. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Local Liquor Control Commission, Chairman Henry declared the meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

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Date Approved

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Jennifer R. Sorrell, City Clerk