



Members

Shane Brooks, Chair
Fred Krampits, Vice Chair
George Balakier
Mary Beth Pniak-Costello
Derek Dobosz

APPROVED 9-5-2023

MINUTES
August 14, 2023

The following are the minutes of a public hearing held Monday, August 14, 2023 at 6:30 PM held in the Auditorium, 3rd floor, City Hall, 274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013 and via Zoom.

Members Present Krampits, Pniak-Costello, Dobosz, Balakier

Member Absent Brooks

Also Present Timothy Reilly (Associate City Solicitor), Councilor Laflamme, Chris Casali (IT)

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM

In compliance with the Open Meeting Law the Vice-Chairman asked if anyone in the audience was recording the meeting. Hearing none the meeting continued.

Item #1

Application for a Hawkers & Peddlers License to sell ice cream at various locations.

Applicant Shaikmahmoud Alzubi, 33 Center Street, Apt. A, Windsor Locks, CT 06096

Applicant was not present at the meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Balakier and seconded by Councilor Krampits to postpone to the end of the meeting.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Item #2

Application for an alteration of Class II and Auto Repair Licenses. Adding LLC to the name. From A and M Auto Sales & Repair to A and M Auto Sales & Repair, LLC located at 451 Granby Road.

Applicant-Waleed Obeid, 5 Ogden Street, Chicopee, MA 01013

Mr. Obeid was present at the meeting. He stated that he is requesting to add LLC to his business name.

Councilor Krampits asked if there is any public input. Hearing none.

Motion made by Councilor Dobosz and seconded by Councilor Krampits to close public input.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilor Dobosz and seconded by Councilor Krampits to approve.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Item #3

Application for a name change on a Junk Dealers License from Nu-Da-U to Rodriguez Wood Projects at 922 Chicopee Street.

Applicant-Sammy Rodriguez, 118 St. Kolbe Drive, Holyoke, MA 01040

Mr. Rodriguez was present at the meeting. He stated that he would like to change his name to Rodriguez Wood Projects & More.

Motion made by Councilor Costello and seconded by Councilor Krampits to amend the name to Rodriguez Wood Projects & More.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Councilor Krampits asked if there is any public input. Hearing none.

Motion made by Councilor Balakier and seconded by Councilor Krampits to close public input.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilor Dobosz and seconded by Councilor Krampits to approve.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Item #4

Application for a Junk Dealers License for Something Old/Something New, 1410 Memorial Drive for the purpose of selling vintage articles/new crafts and consignment shop.

Applicant-Donna Dwight, 5 Applewood Lane, South Hadley, MA 01075

Applicant was not present at the meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Balakier and seconded by Councilor Krampits to postpone to the end of the meeting.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Item #5

Application for a Class II License for Best Car Best Deal, located at 400 East Main Street D.

Applicant -Mohammed Kadhim, 38 Devlin Drive, Chicopee, MA 01020.

Mohammed Kadhim and Al Lafluer were present at the meeting.

Reports were read from the following departments:

Building – None

Fire – Applicant should reach out to the Fire Department to schedule a fire safety inspection. Will applicant be doing any hot work or welding? If so, he will need a hot work permit.

Planning & Development – Applicant is looking for Class II, Auto Repair, and Auto Detailing licenses; Property is zoned Business A; uses are permitted in the zone under 275-58: 275-58(B)(3) Automobile service stations; 275-58(B)(4) Automotive trade; 275-58 (B)(21) Motor vehicle repair services; Planning understands this as a request for a transfer of an existing license. Planning recommends approval of the License, with the condition that all previous conditions continue to be satisfactorily met.

Applicant is to contact the Fire Department for an inspection and applicant is to request Fire Department to send approval letter to the City Council Office.

Conditions

Good housekeeping

No outside storage

No junk cars

No outside repairs

License holder must secure a Certificate of Occupancy prior to exercising the rights granted under this license

Total number of vehicles 24 (2 inside, 18 outside, 1 employee, 4 customer), hours of operation M-Saturday 9 AM – 5 PM, closed Sunday

Fire Department approval required

No Sunnyside exit

Councilor Krampits asked if there is any public input. Hearing none.

Motion made by Councilor Dobosz and seconded by Councilor Krampits to close public input.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilor Balakier and seconded by Councilor Krampits to approve with conditions.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Item #6

Application for an Auto Repair License for Best Car Best Deal, located at 400 East Main Street D.

Applicant-Mohammed Kadhim, 38 Devlin Drive, Chicopee, MA 01020.

Mohammed Kadhim and Al Lafluer were present at the meeting.

Councilor Krampits asked if there is any public input. Hearing none.

Motion made by Councilor Balakier and seconded by Councilor Krampits to close public input.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Conditions

Good housekeeping

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Total number of vehicles 24 (2 inside, 18 outside, 1 employee, 4 customer), hours of operation M-Saturday 9 AM – 5 PM, closed Sunday

Fire Department approval required

No Sunnyside exit

Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello and seconded by Councilor Krampits to approve with conditions.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Item #7

Application for an Auto Detailing License for Best Car Best Deal, located at 400 East Main Street D.

Applicant-Mohammed Kadhim, 38 Devlin Drive, Chicopee, MA 01020

Mohammed Kadhim and Al Lafluer were present at the meeting.

Councilor Krampits asked if there is any public input. Hearing none.

Motion made by Councilor Balakier and seconded by Councilor Krampits to close public input.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Conditions

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License holder must secure a Certificate of Occupancy prior to exercising the rights granted under this license

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 Fire Department approval required
 No Sunnyside exit

Motion made by Councilor Balakier and seconded by Councilor Krampits to approve with conditions.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Item #8

BE IT ORDERED THAT Royal Coach Sales, LLC, 576 East Street, be called before the City of Chicopee License Committee and City Council to discuss the license (s) currently held by Royal Coach Sales, LLC, including compliance with restrictions imposed upon any licenses held by Royal Coach Sales, LLC. The Council may modify, suspend, fine, or revoke any license held by Royal Coach Sales, LLC.

1. Change address on licenses from 576 East St. to 574 East Street after review by Engineering Department.

The license holder was not present at the meeting. Councilor Krampits stated that the Council office called Mr. Garcia because his letter requesting his presence at this meeting was returned undeliverable. Mr. Garcia told office staff he is going to operate his business in Ludlow. He was asked to send a letter to that effect but what letter has not been received.

Councilor Krampits asked if there is any public input. Hearing none.

Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello and seconded by Councilor Krampits to close public input.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello and seconded by Councilor Krampits to postpone to the call of the chair.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Item #9

Minutes – May 4, 2023 and May 8, 2023

Motion made by Councilor Dobosz and seconded by Councilor Krampits to approve.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

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Applicant was not present at the meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Balakier and seconded by Councilor Krampits to postpone to the next License Committee meeting.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

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Applicant-Donna Dwight, 5 Applewood Lane, South Hadley, MA 01075

Applicant was not present at the meeting.

Councilor Balakier stated that in the Fire Department report it states that when Fire went to conduct an inspection the applicant stated that she is no longer pursuing this application.

Office staff is to reach out to applicant and ask if she would like to pursue this application.

Motion made by Councilor Balakier and seconded by Councilor Krampits to postpone to the next License Committee meeting.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Item #10

Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Dobosz and seconded by Councilor Krampits to adjourn at 7:35 PM.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks			X		
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.