

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

November 15, 2016 REPORT OF THE LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Dennis M. Sullivan	Chair	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Vice Chair	Present	
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	

Others present: Alderman Niedergang, John Long - City Clerk, James Aurilio - ISD, Tim Snyder - Mayor's Office, Annie Connor - Legislative Liason, Rositha Durham - Clerk of Committees.

The meeting took place in the Committee Room and was called to order at 6:00 PM by Alderman Sullivan and adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Approval of the October 4, 2016 Minutes

RESULT: ACCEPTED

Public Hearing: Petition for a Mobile Food Vendor License for MQ LLC dba Bus Stop Cafe, which seeks to operate at Highland Road Extension (between Morrison Avenue and the Community Path) weekdays from 7 AM to 7 PM, and weekends from 8 AM to 7 PM.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Applicant Morgan Quimbly explained that the business would offer an array of snacks, donuts, coffee and non-coffee drinks and would bring people together at the community bike path. A number of residents attended tonight's public hearing, expressing support for the food truck. One resident said that someone had set up chairs on the bike path. Another resident said he uses the bike path daily to get to work and this would be a wonderful addition to the bike path to get food along the way. Ms. Quimbly has lived on Morrison Avenue for over 10 years. Both Alderman Niedergang and Chairman Sullivan have met with the applicant and were impressed with her approach and business plan. Alderman Connolly suggested sending out flyers to the neighborhood when the truck opens.

200616: Amending Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife

Brook Pkwy, increasing to 5 cars outside.

The applicant was present. Mr. Aurilio reported that a previous site visit determined that there were 40-50 cars present. The majority of cars are no longer there and the business is now under the recommended number of vehicles. Alderman Ballantyne was unable to attend this meeting and asked for the item to remain in committee. There are no recent issues. Alderman Connolly said there was a small number of vehicles on-site and that the business is run very cleanly.

RESULT: KEPT IN COMMITTEE

201025: That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services issue fines to Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Parkway, for each day that they exceed their permitted number of vehicles.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

201808: That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 39, 45, and 47 Webster Avenue for building code compliance and for the capacity for vehicles at each location, both inside and outside the buildings, and report the findings to the Committee on Licenses and Permits.

RESULT: KEPT IN COMMITTEE

202069: New Used Car Dealer Class 2 License, 28 Motorsports Inc., 486R Columbia Street, 4 cars inside, 5 outside.

The applicant was present and asked for approval to change 2 of his parking spots to sell cars. He told the committee that he does not use the streets to store or park his cars. He will be using 6 parking spots at 490 Columbia Street, under an agreement with Nissenbaum's Used Auto Parts. The license was amended to change the number of spaces to 2 cars outside and no cars inside.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED

202042: Public Event Permit, Hudson St Neighborway, Sep 3, 8AM-5PM.

RESULT: KEPT IN COMMITTEE

202300: New Mobile Food Vendor License, Bus Stop Cafe.

RESULT: APPROVED

202387: Public Event Permit, ABC Signature Studios filming "Untitled Frankie Shaw Project," 337 Somerville Ave area, Nov 15, 4AM-11PM (raindate Nov 14).

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

202388: Renewing Used Car Dealer License Class 2, CM Auto Sales, 39 Webster Ave.

The applicant was present. Mr. Aurilio reported that ISD has not seen any changes in the excessive number of vehicles in the front and sides of the business.

Alderman Heuston's motion that the license be <u>approved for 30 days with the following</u> conditions, was approved:

- ISD will perform unannounced site visits,
- The licenses is approved for 30 vehicles outside, for 30 days only,
- Applicant must install a barrier to prevent the encroachment of parked vehicles onto the sidewalk,
- Applicant must submit a surveyor's plot plan showing the property lines and a site plan showing the parking layout within 30 days,
- Note that this location has been designated an acquisition/disposition parcel under the Union Square Revitalization Plan, and renewal of this license is not automatic. For further information, contact the city's Planning Department at 617-625-6600 x2500.

RESULT:

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

202389: Renewing Garage License, Inman Collision Center, 45 Webster Ave.

The applicant appeared along with her attorney. There was a discussion about the number of cars stored on the site and Alderman Heuston spoke about constituents' complaints about the fumes from the shop. Two residents spoke about the fumes and health issues.

Alderman Heuston's motion that the license be <u>approved for 30 days with the following conditions</u>, was approved:

- The Fire Department will inspect the spray booth,
- The door must stay closed at all times unless opening to allow cars in and out,
- ISD will perform unannounced visits to ensure that all painting is performed in the spray booth,
- Approved for 7 vehicles inside and 2 outside, for 30 days only,
- Note that this location has been designated an acquisition/disposition parcel under the Union Square Revitalization Plan, and renewal of this license is not automatic. For further information, contact the city's Planning Department at 617-625-6600 x2500.

RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

202390: Renewing Garage License, DM Auto Services, 45 Webster Ave.

The applicant was present. There was a discussion about the number of cars as it relates to the floor plan/layout that distributed at the meeting. Mr. Aurilio stated there is enough room to work on vehicles inside the garage.

Alderman Connolly's motion to <u>approve the license for 90 days with the following conditions</u>, was approved:

- ISD will perform announced visits to check for any violations,
- The license is approved for 9 vehicles inside and 2 outside, for 90 days only,
- Note that this location has been designated an acquisition/disposition parcel under the Union Square Revitalization Plan, and renewal of this license is not automatic. For further information, contact the city's Planning Department at 617-625-6600 x2500.

RESULT:

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

202391: Renewing Garage License, JN Phillips Auto Glass, 47 Webster Ave.

Mr. Aurilio reported that no violations were found for this applicant. Chairman Sullivan discussed the number of vehicles located inside and outside of the business. The license expires April 30th, 2017.

Chairman Sullivan's motion for approval with the following conditions, was approved:

• Note that this location has been designated an acquisition/disposition parcel under the Union Square Revitalization Plan, and renewal of this license is not automatic. For further information, contact the city's Planning Department at 617-625-6600 x2500.

RESULT:

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

Handouts:

- Statement re Parking Spots (with 202069)
- Dimensions (with 202388)
- Schematic (with 202389)
- Schematic (with 202390)