

MINUTES

Monday, April 11, 2011

Public Services Committee

* 5:00 PM
Carnegie Town Hall
235 West 10th Street



Members Present: Council Member Sue Aguilar, Council Member Kenny Anderson Jr., Council Member Vernon Brown, and Council Member Michelle Erpenbach.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Debra A. Owen, City Clerk/Chief of Council Operations and Tamara Jorgensen, CMC, Assistant City Clerk

Guests: Cheryl Rath, Keith Allenstein, David Pfeifle, Greg VandeKamp, N. Dean Nasser, Jr., Linda Stoops, Ken Stoops, Lee Anderson, Jim Entenman, Dean Karsky, Greg Jamison, Lorie Hogstad, Tim Stanga, Rich Oksol, Jeanne Gerken, Gerald Gerken, Chuck Armstrong, Steve Caulfield, Brian Deuz, Jeanine Deuz, Matt Burns, Dan Kaiser, and Brad Tams.

1. Call To Order

Council Chair Anderson Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Review and approval of Minutes March 14, 2011

A motion was made by Council Member Michelle Erpenbach and seconded by Council Member Sue Aguilar to approve the minutes of March 14, 2011. A voice vote was taken and all members present voted yes. **Motion Passed.**

Item 5 was heard at this time. See item for action taken.

3. Council Procedures and Organization

Due to time constraints and a scheduling conflict in May, this item will be rescheduled to the Public Services Committee Meeting scheduled for Monday, June 13, 2011.

4. Pawn Shop Ordinance

Assistant City Attorney Keith Allenstein reviewed the most recent updates received today. Discussion followed.

Linda Stoops, Sunset Pawn, gave a PowerPoint presentation.

Chuck Armstrong, Community Affairs Director for Pawn America, discussed the proposed ordinance amendments. Discussion followed.

Steve Caulfield, Chief Operating Officer for Pawn America, addressed the committee. Discussion followed.

Brian Deuz, Last Stop CD Shop, discussed the proposed changes to the ordinances and how they would affect his business. Discussion followed.

Brad Tams, Loss Prevention Manager for Lewis Drug Stores, discussed why his organization is in favor of the proposed ordinance changes and the losses that his corporation incurs.

Discussion with Allenstein regarding the process and procedures of confiscating items/ searching a pawn shop. Discussion followed.

Attorney Dean Nasser has spoken previously for Sunset Pawn and a few other pawn brokers. Nasser discussed how the proposed amendments would impact the pawn brokers and requested that the committee review the reporting requirements.

Some updated information received today from the Police Department has not been fully reviewed. The Pawn Shop Ordinance discussion will continue at the next Public Services Committee Meeting scheduled for Monday, May 9, 2011.

Item 3 was heard at this time. See item for action taken.

5. Amendments to Chapter 5, Alcoholic Beverages

Lorie Hogstad, Licensing Specialist, reviewed the proposed alcohol amendments with the committee. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Council Member Michelle Erpenbach and seconded by Council Member Sue Aguilar that the following two proposed amendments to Chapter 5, Alcoholic Beverages, move forward to the City Council for consideration: Sec. 5-13. Sunday and Memorial Day sales permitted by certain on-sale dealers; and Sec. 5-16 - Sunday and Memorial Day hours of sales of malt beverages permitted for off-sale dealers.

A motion was made by Council Member Vernon Brown and seconded by Council Member Michelle Erpenbach to amend the main motion by adding Sec. 5-2, Classification and Fees, to the original main motion.

A substitute motion was made by Council Member Vernon Brown and seconded by Council Member Michelle Erpenbach to approve that all recommended ordinance amendments, including setting the license fee increase from \$1/person to \$1.25/person, are moved forward to the City Council for consideration. A voice vote was taken and all

members present voted yes. **Motion Passed.**

Jim Entenman discussed the proposed alcohol amendments with the committee. He requested that portions of the proposed amendments be sent back to the Committee for additional review and additional public input. Discussion followed.

Item 4 was heard at this time. See item for action taken.

6. Open Discussion

There was none.

7. Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member Vernon Brown and seconded by Council Member Michelle Erpenbach to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m. A voice vote was taken and all members present voted yes. **Motion Passed.**

Tamara Jorgensen, CMC
Assistant City Clerk