

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ALCOHOL, GAMBLING & TOBACCO COMMISSION
October 3, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Alcohol, Gambling & Tobacco Commission was held on Wednesday, October 3, 2018, at 4:45 p.m., in the City Council Chamber, 3rd Floor, City Hall.

ROLL CALL: Present: Patricia Stolee, Lon Hanson, Ryan Stauber, Bjorn Braaten, Jeff Rosenthal, Adam Wisocki

Absent: Mark Osthus

The minutes of the September 5, 2018, Alcohol, Gambling and Tobacco Commission meeting were unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

RED BAMBOO, LLC (DBA THAI BY THAI) – APPLICATION FOR THE TRANSFER OF THE ON SALE 3.2 MALT LIQUOR LICENSE PERIOD ENDING APRIL 30, 2019, AND ON SALE WINE LICENSE PERIOD ENDING AUGUST 31, 2019, FROM LOY KRATHONG, INC. (DBA SALA THAI) TO RED BAMBOO, LLC (DBA THAI BY THAI).

No representative was present. It was tabled until the November 7, 2018, meeting.

HOSTEL DU NORD, LLC (DBA HOSTEL DU NORD) – APPLICATION FOR A NEW ON SALE 3.2 MALT LIQUOR LICENSE FOR HOSTEL DU NORD, WITH BOB MONAHAN 100% OWNER, FOR LICENSE PERIOD ENDING APRIL 30, 2019.

Bob Monahan was present on behalf of the application. He explained that he will have 3.2 malt liquor available for sale in Hostel du Nord and that they will have someone checking IDs. Commissioner Stauber made a motion to approve and a second was made by Commissioner Hanson and it was unanimously approved.

DULUTH CROSS-COUNTRY SKI CLUB – APPLICATION FOR A TEMPORARY ON SALE INTOXICATING LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THEIR HAUNTED PADDLE PARTY ON OCTOBER 27, 2018.

Kari Hedin was present on behalf of the application to give details of the party, which will be held in the old Bent Paddle taproom and is a fundraiser for the Duluth Cross-Country Ski Club. Commissioner Rosenthal made a motion to approve and a second was made by Commissioner Wisocki and it was unanimously approved.

WASABI DULUTH, LLC – APPLICATION FOR A NEW ON SALE 3.2 MALT LIQUOR LICENSE FOR LICENSE PERIOD ENDING APRIL 30, 2019, AND A NEW ON SALE WINE LICENSE FOR LICENSE PERIOD ENDING AUGUST 31, 2019, WITH OING WANG 50% OWNER AND XIAOMING HUANG 50% OWNER.

A representative was present on behalf of the application. They explained that the licensed premises was the Superior Street level of the building. Officer Cha Vang gave his approval to the license. Commissioner Braaten made a motion to approve and a second was made by Commissioner Hanson and it was unanimously approved.

HEARING TO DECIDE WHAT, IF ANY, DISCIPLINARY ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN REGARDING THE ON-SALE INTOXICATING LIQUOR LICENSE FOR MARTHA'S DAUGHTER, 107 EAST SUPERIOR STREET, DULUTH, MN 55802.

Nyanyika Banda, owner of Martha's Daughter, was present for the hearing. She explained that there were accounting and cash-flow issues right from the opening of the business. She has hired someone to help reorganize her business and to get her back on track and caught up on all fees and taxes. Commissioner Rosenthal made a recommendation for a \$100 fine based on the following mitigating circumstances:

- Business has been open less than a year
- Business has changed accountant and accounting practices
- \$500 fine could close business permanently

Commissioner Rosenthal made a motion to recommend the \$100 fine to City Council and a second was made by Commissioner Stauber and it was approved unanimously.\

Adjourned