CITY OF CULVER CITY

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REGULAR MEETING
COMMITTEE ON PERMITS AND LICENSES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2008
10:00 A.M.
CITY HALL, MIKE BALKMAN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
   AT 10:01 A.M. CHAIRMAN MARTIN COLE CALLED THE COMMITTEE ON PERMITS AND LICENSES TO ORDER.

2. **ROLL CALL**

CHAIRPERSON:	MARTIN COLE, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
MEMBER DESIGNEES:	PAUL SAMARAS, ASSOCIATE PLANNER NAGAM RAO, TREASURY DIVISION MANAGER LT. CRAIG BLOOR, POLICE DEPARTMENT INSP. RICHARD GALLAGHER, FIRE DEPARTMENT
STAFF:	ROLAND MIRANDA, CITY ATTORNEY KRISTINA DE VERA, ACCOUNT TECHNICIAN

CHAIRMAN COLE ANNOUNCED THE USE OF THE VOTING SYSTEM AT TODAY'S MEETING.

3. **RECEIVE AND FILE SECRETARY'S REPORT - POSTING OF AGENDA**
   MOTION: MR. RAO SECOND: MR. SAMARAS
   That the Committee receive and file the Secretary's Report, which reflects the posting of the agenda for today's meeting.
   PASSED 3-1, CHAIRMAN COLE ABSTAINED, LT. BLOOR ABSENT.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 10, 2008**
   MOTION: MR. RAO SECOND: MR. SAMARAS
   That the Committee *approve* the minutes of the January 10, 2008 Committee Meeting as amended.
   PASSED 3-1, CHAIRMAN COLE AND INSP. GALLAGHER ABSTAINED, LT. BLOOR ABSENT.

5. LECTURE/LIMITED TIME PERFORMANCE

Ratification of the administrative approval given by the City Manager and City Treasurer, pursuant to C.C.M.C. Section 11.01.515, to Carter Dewberry, President of ***THE DEFINIENS PROJECT***, to conduct classical music concerts for a charitable cause, at The Culver Hotel, 9400 Culver Blvd., on Sunday, January 13, 2008, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., *provided that* all terms and conditions set forth by the Culver City Police Department, Planning Division, and Fire Prevention Bureau, are met and adhered to at all times. The event is open to the public, an entrance fee will be charged. Approximately 50 people were expected to attend. Previous permits have been issued.

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6. LECTURE/LIMITED TIME PERFORMANCE

Ratification of the administrative approval given by the City Manager and City Treasurer, pursuant to C.C.M.C. Section 11.01.515, to Alan Schulman, Partner at ***AKASHA*** to conduct a private dinner for Stu Freeman, in conjunction with the Culver City Historical Department, at the commercial location of 9543 Culver Blvd., on Wednesday, January 16, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., *provided that* all terms and conditions set forth by the Culver City Police Department, Planning Division, Engineering Division, and Fire Prevention Bureau, are met and adhered to at all times. Approximately 100 people are expected to attend. Previous permits have been issued.

MOTION: MR. RAO SECOND: MR. SAMARAS

That the Committee *approve* these items from the regularly scheduled agenda items.

PASSED 4-1, LT. BLOOR ABSENT.

7. LECTURE/LIMITED TIME PERFORMANCE

Ratification of the administrative approval given by the City Manager and City Treasurer, pursuant to C.C.M.C. Section 11.01.515, to Zaid Al-Hakim, Chairman of the ***L.S.D.A.D.***, to conduct a 4-day event that will bring design and industry related professionals to the district, at the commercial location of 3049 S. La Cienega Blvd., from Thursday, January 17, 2008, to Sunday, January 20, 2008, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., *provided that* all terms and conditions set forth by the Culver City Police Department, Planning Division, Engineering Division, and Fire Prevention Bureau, are met and adhered to at all times. Approximately 1,000 people are expected to attend throughout the course of the four days. Previous permits have been issued.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Samaras wanted to state that in order to address the parking issue; the applicant had a shuttle service that transported attendees from an out of city parking lot to the event location.

Mr. Rao asked if that had been indicated on the application approved by the Planning Division.

Mr. Samaras answered affirmative.

MOTION: MR. RAO SECOND: MR. SAMARAS

That the Committee *approve* this item from the regularly scheduled agenda items.

PASSED 4-1, LT. BLOOR ABSENT.

8. LECTURE/LIMITED TIME PERFORMANCE

Ratification of the administrative approval given by the City Manager and City Treasurer, pursuant to C.C.M.C. Section 11.01.515, to Lawrence Matthew and Ian Campbell of ***BEYOND MARKETING GROUP***, to conduct a public art exhibit at the commercial location of 3521 Helms Avenue, on Saturday, January 19, 2008, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., *provided that* all terms and conditions set forth by the Culver City Police Department, Planning Division, Engineering Division, and Fire Prevention Bureau, are met and adhered to at all times. There will be valet service where two Culver City Police officers will be present to control traffic and valet issues at the event holder's expense. A plot plan has been submitted and approved by the Planning Division. Approximately 200 people are expected to attend. Previous permits have been issued.

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9. LECTURE/LIMITED TIME PERFORMANCE

Ratification of the administrative approval given by the City Manager and City Treasurer, pursuant to C.C.M.C. Section 11.01.515, to Flo Selfman, President of the ***INDEPENDENT WRITERS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA***, to conduct seminars and panel discussions by and for writers at the Veterans' Memorial Complex, on Saturday, January 19, 2008, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and Monday, January 28, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., *provided that* all terms and conditions set forth by the Veterans' Memorial Complex, Culver City Police Department, Planning Division, and Fire Prevention Bureau, are met and adhered to at all times. Approximately 30 people are expected on Saturday, and 75 on Monday. Previous permits have been issued.

MOTION: MR. RAO SECOND: MR. SAMARAS

That the Committee *approve* these items from the regularly scheduled agenda items.

PASSED 4-1, LT. BLOOR ABSENT.

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

10. BONAFIDE RESTAURANT WITH REGULAR ENTERTAINMENT

Application by Brian McKeaney, Owner of ***RUSH STREET RESTAURANT***, to conduct a business of bonafide restaurant (serving alcohol) with regular entertainment at the commercial location of 9546 Washington Blvd., *provided* that the applicant is truthful and honest in his responses to the questions regarding criminal history on the Application for Permit – Police Department. Applicant has provided a copy of his Alcoholic Beverage Control license, Seller's Permit from the State Board of Equalization, and a copy of the Food Construction Plan Application Form, from the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services. Mr. McKeaney is requesting the issuance of a Business Tax Certificate from the Committee on Permits and Licenses in order to begin the installation of an audio-visual system. His application dated July 7, 2007 for a health certificate is under process by the Los Angeles County Public Health Department. Upon receipt of the health certificate, the Mr. McKeaney's Business Permit Application will be brought back before the Committee for consideration. The applicant has been informed of the hearing. This is his first application for permit.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Brian McKeaney was present to address questions by the Committee.

Mr. Samaras wanted to clarify what type of permit or license will be given to the applicant upon approval of the item.

Mr. Rao answered that the approval of the item will provide the applicant with a copy of his Business Tax Certificate so that he can proceed with the installation of A/V equipment. Upon receipt of the pending Health Certificate from the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services. He asked the applicant when he anticipates receiving the certificate from the County.

McKeaney stated that the restaurant has a target open date of March 1, 2008 – March 17, 2008.

Once McKeaney receives the Health Certificate, the Committee will then re-evaluate the application for the issuance of a Permit to conduct business.

Mr. Samaras said that there is an additional permit required by the Planning Division for the second floor dining area; and that the Planning Division is willing to approve the item upon the condition that the applicant submits an application for the required permit.

Mr. Rao asked that the applicant submit an additional application for the outdoor dining area as it was not stated on the initial Application for Business Tax Certificate.

McKeaney wanted to clarify whether or not there is a possibility of the Committee not granting an approval if the item is revisited at a later date.

Chairman Cole said that if the Committee grants its approval today for the Business Tax Certificate, the approval does not guarantee approval of anything else not on the agenda. He asked Mr. Samaras if the additional permits required can be handled on an administrative level.

Mr. Samaras answered affirmative. The permit is called an Administrative Use Permit (AUP), which could be appealed to the Committee on Permits and Licenses.

Chairman Cole asked Treasury if all the information needed is on hand in order to act on the approval of this item.

Mr. Rao said that the current application only encompasses indoor seating. He suggested having a separate application for the outdoor dining area. Mr. McKeaney agreed.

Chairman Cole clarified that the approval of this item will be to allow the use of live entertainment so that the applicant can invest in the A/V system.

MOTION: MR. SAMARAS SECOND: MR. RAO

That the Committee *approve* these items from the regularly scheduled agenda items.

PASSED 4-1, LT. BLOOR ABSENT.

11. IN-HOME HEALTH SERVICES

Application by Maxine Demarks, R.N., Owner of ***CARING HANDS HOME HEALTH AGENCY***, to conduct a business of a home health agency with nursing and therapy services performed in patients' homes, with the business office located at the commercial location of 5701 W. Slauson Ave., Ste. 100., *provided* that the applicant is truthful and honest in her responses to the questions regarding criminal history on the Application for Permit – Police Department. Applicant has provided a copy of her license from the California Board of Registered Nursing. The applicant has been informed of the hearing. This is her first application for permit.

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12. PERSONAL FITNESS FACILITY AND TRAINER

Application by Cain Leon, Owner of ***CUT FITNESS***, to conduct a business of personal fitness facility and one-on-one personal training from the commercial location of 5855 Uplander Way, *provided* that the applicant is truthful and honest in his responses to the questions regarding criminal history on the Application for Permit – Police Department. The applicant has been informed of the hearing. This is the first application for a permit.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Samaras wanted to clarify that there is a condition that the training is to be limited to a one-on-one basis.

MOTION: MR. RAO SECOND: MR. SAMARAS

That the Committee *approve* these items from the regularly scheduled agenda items.

PASSED 4-1, LT. BLOOR ABSENT.

13. USED MERCHANDISE SALES

Application by David DiGiacomo, President of ***MCMULLEN'S JAPANESE ANTIQUES***, to conduct a business of used merchandise sales (furnishings) from the commercial location of 6033 Washington Blvd., *provided* that the applicant is truthful and honest in his responses to the questions regarding criminal history on the Application for Permit – Police Department. Applicant has provided a copy of the Seller's Permit from the State Board of Equalization. The applicant has been informed of the hearing. This is the first application for a permit.

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14. AUTO PARKING LOTS

Application by Hoon Yew Tan, Senior Manager, of ***STANDARD PARKING,*** to conduct a business of two auto parking lots from the commercial locations of 901 Corporate Pointe, and 301 Corporate Point, *provided* that the applicant is truthful and honest in his responses to the questions regarding criminal history on the Application for Permit – Police Department. Applicant has provided a copy of Insurance Certificates naming the City of Culver City as an additional insured party. The applicant has been informed of the hearing. These are the first applications for permits.

MOTION: MR. RAO SECOND: MR. SAMARAS

That the Committee *approve* these items from the regularly scheduled agenda items.

PASSED 4-1, LT. BLOOR ABSENT.

15. **VALET PARKING**

Application by Gillian Harris of ***VALET OF THE DOLLS, LLC,*** to conduct a business of valet parking services from the commercial location of 8910 Washington Blvd., *provided* that the applicant is truthful and honest in her responses to the questions regarding criminal history on the Application for Permit – Police Department. Applicant has provided a copy of Insurance Certificates naming the City of Culver City as an additional insured party. The applicant has been informed of the hearing. This is the first application for a permit.

DISCUSSION:

Item pulled by Mr. Rao on Lt. Bloor's behalf to discuss at a later time.

MOTION: MR. RAO **SECOND: MR. SAMARAS**

That the Committee *approve* these items from the regularly scheduled agenda items.

PASSED 4-1, LT. BLOOR ABSENT.

16. **IMPORT/EXPORT**

Application by Yuka Saito, President of ***YKC INTERNATIONAL, LLC,*** to conduct a business of exporting golf clubs to Japan from the commercial location of 13101 W. Washington Blvd., *provided* that the applicant is truthful and honest in his responses to the questions regarding criminal history on the Application for Permit – Police Department. Applicant has been informed of the hearing. This is the first application for a permit.

MOTION: MR. RAO **SECOND: MR. SAMARAS**

That the Committee *approve* this item from the regularly scheduled agenda items.

PASSED 4-1, LT. BLOOR ABSENT.

DISCUSSION ITEM

To move the date of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee on Permits and Licenses from Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., to Wednesdays, at 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Mike Balkman Chambers at Culver City Hall.

MOTION: MR. RAO **SECOND: MR. SAMARAS**

That the Committee *approve* this item from the regularly scheduled agenda items.

PASSED 4-1, LT. BLOOR ABSENT.

CHAIRMAN COLE SHOWED THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS OTHER FEATURES OF THE VOTING SYSTEM.

17. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: MR. RAO **SECOND: MR. SAMARAS**

That the meeting be adjourned at 10:37 a.m., until the next regular meeting to be held on Thursday, January 31, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.

PASSED 4-1, LT. BLOOR ABSENT.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina de Vera, Secretary