

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & REGULATORY SERVICES COMMITTEE
February 4, 2020

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:30 pm on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Lisa Goodman (Chair), Jeremiah Ellison (Vice-Chair), Cam Gordon, Steve Fletcher, Phillipe Cunningham, and Alondra Cano (Quorum - 4)

Matters listed below are hereby submitted with the following recommendations; to-wit:

1. Reappointment of Director of Regulatory Services ([2020-00115](#))

Considering the reappointment by the Executive Committee of Kim Keller to the appointed position of Director of Regulatory Services for a two-year term beginning Jan 2, 2020.

The public hearing was opened.

The following persons spoke in support:

1. Eric Gustafson, 310 4th Ave S, Family Housing Fund.
2. Joey Dobson, 3600 E Minnehaha Pkwy, Mid Minnesota Legal Aid.

The public hearing was closed.

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to Mayor Jacob Frey who spoke in support of the reappointment.

Goodman moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to Kim Keller who summarized her goals and policy work for the department, as well as recognized staff members present in the audience.

2. Mary Ellen's Bistro, 300 13th Ave NE, (Ward 3), for an On Sale Wine with Strong Beer, No Entertainment License ([2020-00154](#))

Considering application for Mary Ellen's Bistro, 300 13TH AVE NE Minneapolis, MN, submitted by Mary Ellen's Bistro LLC, BLWine, LIC386217, for an On Sale Wine with Strong Beer, No Entertainment License, subject to final inspection and compliance with all provisions of applicable codes and ordinances.

Presentation by Christina Stichter, License Inspector, Department of Community Planning and Economic Development, Licenses & Consumer Services Division.

The public hearing was opened.

The following persons spoke in support:

1. Kiah Gumeringer, 300 13th Ave NE, Mary Ellen's Bistro.
2. Jenny Crauser, 302 13th Ave NE, The Anchor Fish & Chips.

The public hearing was closed.

Fletcher moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.

3. Butcher Salt, 208 29th Ave N, (Ward 5) for an On Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Limited Entertainment License ([2020-00155](#))

Considering application for Butcher Salt, 208 29TH AVE N Minneapolis, MN, (Ward 5) submitted by Lunch and Lilly Inc, BLLiquor, LIC385967, for an On Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Limited Entertainment License, subject to final inspection and compliance with all provisions of applicable codes and ordinances.

Presentation by Phil Cotterill, License Inspector, Department of Community Planning and Economic Development, Licenses & Consumer Services Division.

The public hearing was opened.

The following persons spoke in support:

1. Shari Brochhausen, 208 29th Ave N, Butcher Salt.
2. Jene Hutar, 208 29th Ave N, Butcher Salt.

The public hearing was closed.

Ellison moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.

4. Liquor license approvals for Feb 4, 2020 ([2020-00152](#))

1. MARKET BAR-B-QUE, 220 LOWRY AVE NE Minneapolis, MN, (Ward 3) submitted by Market Bar-B-Que Corporation, BLAmend, LIC386324
2. SURLY BREWING COMPANY, 520 MALCOLM AVE SE Minneapolis, MN, (Ward 2) submitted by Surly Brewing Company, BLAmend, LIC386331

Goodman moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Gordon absent]

5. Quincy Hall, 1325 Quincy St NE, (Ward 1) for an On Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, General Entertainment License ([2019-01135](#))

Approving application for Quincy Hall, 1325 QUINCY ST NE Minneapolis, MN, (Ward 1) submitted by Crave Catering Event Center LLC, BLLiquor, LIC382152 for an On Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, General Entertainment License, subject to final inspection and compliance with all provisions of applicable codes and ordinances.

Goodman moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Gordon absent]

6. Grant application to Hennepin County's Environmental Response Fund (ERF) for Minnesota Brownfields [\(2020-00153\)](#)

Passage of Resolution authorizing the submittal of a grant application to Hennepin County's Environmental Response Fund (ERF), in the amount of \$225,000, for Minnesota Brownfields.

Goodman moved to approve and refer to WM meeting of Feb 11, 2020. On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Gordon absent]

7. Contract amendment with Employ Milwaukee, Inc. for employment and training services [\(2020-00156\)](#)

1. Authorizing an increase to contract #C-43053 with Employ Milwaukee, Inc., in the amount of \$107,000, for a total amount not to exceed \$837,000, for employment and training services.
2. Passage of Resolution approving appropriation of funds to the Department of Community Planning & Economic Development.

Goodman moved to approve and refer to WM meeting of Feb 11, 2020. On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Gordon absent]

8. Fur ban ordinance [\(2020-00121\)](#)

Referring to staff the subject matter of an ordinance amending Title 4 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Animal Care and Control, adding thereto a new Chapter 68 entitled "Prohibition of the Sale and Manufacture of Animal Fur Products," to prohibit the sale and manufacture of animal fur products.

Goodman moved to refer to staff. On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Gordon absent]

9. Tow truck service fees ordinance [\(2020-00110\)](#)

Referring to staff the subject matter of an ordinance amending Title 13, Chapter 349 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Licenses and Business Regulations: Wreckers and Tow Trucks, amending provisions related to service fees.

Goodman moved to refer to staff. On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Gordon absent]

10. Values and goals of the Community Planning & Economic Development Department [\(2020-00193\)](#)

Directing the Community Planning & Economic Development Department to form a working group of relevant stakeholders, including but not limited to the Community Planning & Economic Development Department, the Regulatory Services Department, the City Coordinator's Office, and the City Attorney's office, to address the following goals:

1. Deepen the City's existing relationship with the Minneapolis small business community.

2. Explore more nontraditional housing and housing policy options, e.g. occupancy rates, intentional community cluster developments, housing cooperatives, etc.
3. Increase access to data regarding housing and commercial markets, e.g. data to track the cost of rent for both housing and commercial property, data to compare income and the cost of rent, etc.

Ellison moved to approve the following amended staff direction:

Direct the City's Community Planning and Economic Development Department to form a working group of relevant stakeholders, including but not limited to the Community Planning and Economic Development Department, the Regulatory Services Department, the City Coordinator's Office, and the City Attorney's Office, to ~~address the following goals~~ explore the following questions to assist in deepening the City's existing relationship with the Minneapolis small business community:

1. ~~Deepen the City's existing relationship with the Minneapolis small business community.~~
How can the City create consistency as it relates to community engagement and the collection of feedback when it comes to interfacing with small businesses?
2. ~~Explore more nontraditional housing and housing policy options, e.g. occupancy rates, intentional community cluster developments, housing cooperatives, etc.~~
Could the City collect or access data that would further help inform its policy decisions related to small businesses?
3. ~~Increase access to data regarding housing and commercial markets, e.g. data to track the cost of rent for both housing and commercial property, data to compare income and the cost of rent, etc.~~
Given that the private market has perpetuated inequity in access to capital for Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) small businesses, how could the City create or modify programs to assist businesses struggling to access capital?

On voice vote, the motion passed.

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 2:14 pm.

Reported by Jackie Hanson, Assistant City Clerk