

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
PUBLIC HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT, CIVIL RIGHTS, AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

August 12, 2019

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

Members Present: Council Members Phillipe Cunningham (Chair), Cam Gordon (Vice-Chair), Andrea Jenkins, Alondra Cano, and Jeremy Schroeder (Quorum - 4)

Members Absent: Council Members Andrew Johnson

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

1. Licensing regulations for places of adult entertainment ordinance ([2018-00137](#))

Passage of Ordinance amending Title 13, Chapter 267 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Licenses and Business Regulations: Amusements, adding and amending provisions related to places of adult entertainment.

Staff presentation by Daniel Huff, Health Department; Linda Roberts, Department of Community Planning & Economic Development/Licenses & Consumer Services Division; and Andrea Naef, Assistant City Attorney.

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to Christina Melander, University of Minnesota-Robert J. Jones Urban Research Outreach Engagement Center (UROC) and Eric Sprankle, with Minnesota State University-Mankato-Sexuality Studies Program.

The public hearing was opened.

The following persons spoke:

1. Brad Shafer, attorney representing Déjà Vu Showgirls Minneapolis, Dreamgirls and Spearmint Rhino Gentlemen's Club, 3800 Capital City Blvd, Suite 2, Lansing, MI
2. Kjersti Bohrer, 746 Saddle Wood Dr, Eagan, with Beautiful & Loved and Breaking Free
3. Monica Sheers, 2307 5th St NE, Minneapolis
4. Steve Befort, 229 19th Ave S, Minneapolis, with the University of Minnesota Law School
5. John Albanese, 1927 Pierce St NE, Minneapolis, with Berger Montague, PC
6. J. Swift, 3300 Colfax Ave, with Sex Workers Outreach Project (SWOP)
7. Tara Henandez, resident of Lakeville and employee of Downtown Cabaret
8. Brittani Rainelli, resident of Minneapolis and employee of Downtown Cabaret
9. Dana Talamantes, resident of Eden Prairie and employee of Downtown Cabaret
10. Ramona, 1367 Willow, with SWOP
11. Adriana, 3200 Zenith Ave, Minneapolis, employee of Downtown Cabaret
12. Andi, 2305 Quincy St NE, with SWOP
13. Alexis Collins
14. Valentina McKenzie, 3715 Chicago Ave S, Minneapolis
15. Rebekah Bailey, attorney with Nichols Kaster, PLLP, 80 S 8th St, #4600, Minneapolis
16. Eli Edleson-Stein, 2645 Pleasant Ave S, Minneapolis, with Restaurant Opportunities Center (ROC) MN
17. Haley Paige, 305 W Franklin Ave, #305, Minneapolis, and employee of Downtown Cabaret and SWOP
18. Tony Williams, 2412 Jefferson St NE, #2, Minneapolis, with SWOP

19. Laila Luxe, 906 S 7th St, Apt #310, Minneapolis, with SWOP
20. Emeline O'Hara, 2510 Buchanan St NE, Minneapolis, with SWOP
21. Latika Roers, 940 Franklin Terrace, Minneapolis, and employee of Downtown Cabaret
21. Hailey M
22. AyCovea Jones, employee of Downtown Cabaret
23. Colleen King
24. Lazer Axelrood
25. Mads Farley, with SWOP
26. Roxanne O'Brien
27. Ms. RL Stone

The following persons spoke off topic of the licensing regulations for places of adult entertainment ordinance:

1. Cassandra Holmes, 2495 18th Ave S
2. Steve Sandberg, 2929 17th Ave S

The public hearing was closed.

Cunningham moved to approve.

Gordon moved the following direction to staff: "Directing Department of Community Planning & Economic Development/Licenses & Consumer Services Division staff to give adult entertainment establishments until September 1, 2022, to implement the physical space requirements in Section 267.1180 (b)(4) and (b)(5) pertaining to seating materials and semi-enclosed or private space partition height and entrance width.

Further, directing Licenses & Consumer Services staff to work with Health Department, Department of Civil Rights, and the City Coordinator's Office staff to convene a workgroup of entertainers and industry representatives to make recommendations on newly required materials, including training materials, notices detailing the legal rights of entertainers, and notices detailing the rules of conduct to be followed by customers."

On voice vote, Cunningham's motion to approve was passed, along with Gordon's staff direction.

[Jenkins, Johnson absent]

2. Grant from Hennepin County for teen pregnancy prevention services ([2019-00911](#))
 1. Accepting a grant from Hennepin County in the amount of \$674,386, for a five-year period between Jul 1, 2015, through Jun 30, 2020, for teen pregnancy prevention services for the Health Department's School Based Clinics.
 2. Authorizing an agreement with Hennepin County for the grant.

Cunningham moved to approve and refer to the Ways & Means Committee meeting of Aug. 20, 2019. On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Johnson absent]

3. Contract with Bridges Health Care for School-Based Clinics billing services ([2019-00912](#))

Authorizing a contract with Bridge Health Care Partners, in an amount not to exceed \$652,000, for up to five years to provide revenue cycle management billing and consultation and training services to the School-Based Clinics program.

Cunningham moved to approve and refer to the Ways & Means Committee meeting of Aug. 20, 2019. On voice vote, the motion passed.
[Johnson absent]

4. Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission appointments ([2019-00927](#))
 1. Setting a public hearing for Aug 26, 2019, to consider the following Council appointments to fill unexpired two-year terms beginning Jul 1, 2018, and ending Jun 30, 2020: John Benda, Seat 1, Ward 13; and Henry Gowin, Seat 2, Ward 8.
 2. Setting a public hearing for Aug 26, 2019, to consider the following Council appointments for two-year terms beginning Jul 1, 2019, and ending Jun 30, 2021: Patrice Howard, Seat 3, Ward 4; and Laura Nudell Lee, Seat 5, Ward 13.
 3. Setting a public hearing for Aug 26, 2019, to consider the following Mayoral appointments for two-year terms beginning Jul 1, 2019, and ending Jun 30, 2021: Devin Wise, Seat 7, Ward 7.

Cunningham moved to set the public hearing for Aug. 26, 2019. On voice vote, the motion passed.
[Johnson absent]

5. Grant from Hennepin County for Mental Health Services ([2019-00929](#))
 1. Accepting a grant from Hennepin County in the amount of \$90,000, for a five-year period from Jul 1, 2019 through Jun 30, 2024, for mental health services at the Health Department's School Based Clinics.
 2. Authorizing an agreement with Hennepin County for the grant.
 3. Passage of Resolution approving appropriation of funds to the Health Department.

Cunningham moved to approve and refer to the Ways & Means Committee meeting of Aug. 20, 2019. On voice vote, the motion passed.
[Johnson absent]

6. Report on biochar uses in Minneapolis ([2019-00910](#))

Receiving and filing a report from the Minneapolis Health Department related to Biochar and its use to sequester carbon and improve soil quality in the City of Minneapolis.

Staff presentation by Jim Doten, Health Department/Environmental Services, and Linnea Champ, intern with the Health Department/Environmental Services.

Cunningham moved to receive and file. On voice vote, the motion passed.
[Johnson absent]

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 3:47 pm.

Reported by Irene Kasper, Council Committee Coordinator