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**Members**

Shane Brooks, Chair  
Fred Krampits, Vice Chair  
George Balakier  
Mary Beth Pniak-Costello  
Derek Dobosz

**MINUTES**  
**October 2, 2023**

The following are the minutes of a public hearing held Monday, October 2, 2023 at 6:30 PM held in the Auditorium, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, City Hall, 274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013 and via Zoom.

**Members Present** Brooks, Krampits, Pniak-Costello, Balakier, Dobosz

**Also Present** Timothy Reilly (Associate City Solicitor), Councilor Laflamme

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM

In compliance with the Open Meeting Law the Chairman asked if anyone in the audience was recording the meeting. Hearing none the meeting continued.

**Item #1**

Application for a Hawkers & Peddlers License to sell ice cream at various locations. Applicant-Shaikmahmoud Alzubi, 33 Center Street, Apt. A, Windsor Locks, CT 06096.

Applicant was not present at the meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Krampits and seconded by Councilor Brooks to postpone to the end of the meeting.

Roll Call

<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	<b>Out of Chair</b>
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

**Item #2**

BE IT ORDERED THAT Royal Coach Sales, LLC, 576 East Street, be called before the City of Chicopee License Committee and City Council to discuss the license (s) currently held by Royal Coach Sales, LLC, including compliance with restrictions imposed upon any licenses held by Royal Coach Sales, LLC. The Council may modify, suspend, fine, or revoke any license held by Royal Coach Sales, LLC.

- 1. Change address on licenses from 576 East St. to 574 East Street after review by Engineering Department.

Councilor Brooks asked if anyone wishes to speak on this matter either on zoom or in person. Hearing none...

Motion made by Councilor Krampits and seconded by Councilor Brooks to close public input.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Councilor Krampits stated that the license holder has reached out to the office that he is moving his business to Ludlow. He has observed that everything has been removed from this location in Chicopee.

Motion made by Councilor Krampits and seconded by Councilor Brooks to revoke the license.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

**Item #3**

Application for a Junk Dealers License for Something Old/Something New, 1410 Memorial Drive for the purpose of selling vintage articles/new crafts and consignment shop. Applicant-Donna Dwight, 5 Applewood Lane, South Hadley, MA 01075

Councilor Brooks asked if anyone wishes to speak on this matter either on zoom or in person. Hearing none...

Motion made by Councilor Balakier and seconded by Councilor Brooks to close public input.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				

Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Councilor Brooks stated that the Council has received the following notification from the applicant.

“To Whom it May Concern: I no longer wish to obtain a license. Donna Dwight.”

Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello and seconded by Councilor Brooks to allow the withdrawal.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

**Item #4**

Application for a Junk Dealers License for the purpose of George Hannoush Jewelers of MA to buy and sell used jewelry located at 704 Memorial Drive. Applicant – Abdallah Hannoush, 33 Hannoush Drive, West Springfield, MA 01089.

Councilor Brooks asked if anyone wishes to speak on this matter either on zoom or in person. Hearing none...

Motion made by Councilor Balakier and seconded by Councilor Brooks to close public input.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Mr. Hannoush was present at the meeting. He stated that they would like to buy and sell used jewelry. This will be done in accordance with all city regulations and the Police Department requirements.

Restrictions

1. Follow same process of obtaining ID and maintenance of a police approved log
2. Hours M-Wednesday 10 – 6, Thursday and Friday 10-7 Saturday 10-6

Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello and seconded by Councilor Brooks to approve with restrictions.

Roll Call

<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	<b>Out of Chair</b>
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

**Item #5**

Application for an Auto Body License for Jaghorty Auto Body at 922 Front Street. Applicant – Hussain Hussaini, 507 B Union Street, West Springfield, MA 01089.

Mr. Hussaini and his son were present at the meeting.

Councilor Brooks asked if anyone wishes to speak on this matter either on zoom or in person. Hearing none...

Motion made by Councilor Balakier and seconded by Councilor Brooks to close public input.

Roll Call

<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	<b>Out of Chair</b>
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

The following reports were read

Engineering – If there are no changes to the site, there are no Engineering Department comments, no north arrow on plan

Fire– Refer to Building Department/code regarding possible paint booth in rear left corner

Building – Will need to follow up with the Building Department

Planning – Applicant is requesting an Auto Body License, property is zoned Business A with existing uses as auto bodywork services; auto bodywork services are permitted in the zone under 275-58(B) (21) for motor vehicle repair services; according to 275-40 (N) (2) (r) Motor vehicle repair services require 2 spaces per repair stall. The submitted plan notes 1 service bay and shows 13 total parking spaces. So long as the Police, Fire, and Building Departments have no issue with current operations at the property, Planning recommends approval.

Mr. Hussaini stated that the referenced paint booth by the Fire Department has been removed.

Restrictions

Good housekeeping

No outside storage

No junk cars

License holder must secure a Certificate of Occupancy prior to exercising the rights granted under this license

Total number of vehicles (6 inside, 9 outside, 1 employee, 3 customer)

Hours of Operation Monday – Saturday 9 AM to 6 PM, Sunday 10 AM – 1 PM clerical only

Applicant to provide valid lease prior to obtaining license

No outside work to occur

No loud music from applicant or customers

Motion made by Councilor Krampits and seconded by Councilor Brooks to approve with restrictions.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

**Item #6**

Application for a Junk Dealers License located at 924 Chicopee Street. Applicant – Ivelisse Gonzalez, 45 Whitman Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.

Ivelisse Gonzalez was present at the meeting. She stated that she would like to open a thrift store. She has been a missionary in the Dominican Republic and she receives a lot of donations. Some items she cannot send to the Dominican Republic because they are too big to box or they are not appropriate for the weather in the Dominican Republic. She is looking to supplement the income what used to be cash donations for the missions with this nonprofit thrift store.

Councilor Brooks asked if anyone on zoom or in person wishes to speak on this matter. Hearing none...

Motion made by Councilor Dobosz and seconded by Councilor Brooks to close public input.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Hours – Sunday and Monday closed except on Holiday weekend 12-5, Tuesday – Saturday 10 AM – 6 PM,  
 Monday 10 AM – 7 PM closed inventory work only  
 Good housekeeping  
 Provide a copy of lease

Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello and seconded by Councilor Brooks to approve with restrictions.  
 Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilor Krampits and seconded by Councilor Brooks to return to Item #1

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

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Motion made by Councilor Krampits and seconded by Councilor Brooks to deny for failure to appear on multiple occasions.

Roll Call

Councilor	Yes	No	Absent	Abstained	Out of Chair
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Councilor Brooks asked if anyone on zoom or in person wishes to speak on this matter. Hearing none...

Motion made by Councilor Krampits and seconded by Councilor Brooks to close public input.

Roll Call

<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	<b>Out of Chair</b>
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

### **Item #7**

Minutes – September 5, 2023

Councilor Brooks asked if anyone on zoom or in person wishes to speak on this matter. Hearing none...

Motion made by Councilor Dobosz and seconded by Councilor Brooks to close public input.

Roll Call

<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	<b>Out of Chair</b>
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilor Dobosz and seconded by Councilor Brooks to approve.

Roll Call

<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	<b>Out of Chair</b>
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.

### **Item #8**

Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Dobosz and seconded by Councilor Brooks to adjourn at 7:17 PM.

Roll Call

<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	<b>Out of Chair</b>
Brooks	x				
Krampits	x				
Pniak-Costello	x				
Dobosz	x				
Balakier	x				

Motion passed.