CHICOPEE CITY COUNCIL
LICENSE COMMITTEE

ACCEPTED 11-30-09

Members
Ronald R. Belair, Chairman
Dino A. Brunetti, Vice-Chairman
Shane Brooks
Fred Krampits
Robert J. Zygarowski

MINUTES
October 26, 2009

The following are the minutes of a public hearing held Monday, October 26, 2009 at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, City Hall Annex, 274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.

Members Present Belair, Brunetti, Krampits, Zygarowski

Absent Brooks

Also Present Kate Brown (Planning Director), Daniel Garvey (Associate City Solicitor)

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

ITEM #1
Application for a license to drive a cab in the City for Yellow Cab.

Applicant Avanell Smith
25 Alden Street
Springfield, MA 01109

Applicant was present and presented her drivers license.

Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to approve.

Committee vote 4 – 0 favorable.

ITEM #2
Application for an amendment to auto body/auto repair for Geno's Auto Service, Inc., located at 25 Sheridan Street, adding a 30x70 building to do repair on trucks.

Applicant Eugene Nawrocki
1 Laurel Lane
Wilbraham, MA 01095

Applicant was present at the meeting. He stated that he would like to construct a 30x70 free standing building to do repairs on trucks.

Following reports were read

FIRE
Construction and operation shall comply with 780 cmr and 527 cmr.
No spray operations shall be conducted.
Restrictions currently on the license shall apply to this addition.
Any fire system currently in place shall be extended into the addition.
Extinguishers are not noted on the plan. Two are needed, located near the exits and are to be sized at 40 BC at a minimum.

ENGINEERING
Approval

Mr. Nawrocki stated that he does intend to install a compliant spray booth in this building. He understands that he will have to get approval from the Fire Department.

Kate Brown stated that Captain Halpin was aware that Mr. Nawrocki intends to spray in this building when the site plan review committee met to discuss this proposed structure. She stated that this is a standard list of restrictions that the Fire Department uses and perhaps its an oversite.

Mr. Nawrocki could still begin construction once he receives approval from the Planning Board and a Building permit. This application would not hold that issue up. The committee recommended that he bring the spray booth plan to the Fire Department and receive approval. The committee will take up this matter at its November meeting.

Motion made to table. Motion passed.

ITEM #3
Application for an Auto Repair license for Matta Brothers Service Station, Inc., located at 817 Front Street.

Applicant: Ramez Matta
24 Champlain Avenue
Indian Orchard, MA 01151

Applicant and Mr. Sanjay Patel (property owner) were present at the meeting.

Mr. Matta stated that he and his brothers currently run a repair shop in West Springfield and has seven years experience as a mechanic.

Reports read from the following departments:

FIRE
The business shall comply with 527 CMR 5.00, Operation and Maintenance of Buildings Used for Garages; 527 CMR 9.00 Tanks and Containers, (Waste Oil Storage)I 527 CMR 10.00, Prevention of Fires in Buildings; and 527 CMR 14.00, Storage of Flammable Liquids and Gases, of the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations.

Applicant will be required to obtain and maintain all necessary permits.
Spray operations shall not be conducted.
The storage, handling, and mixing of flammable and combustible liquids shall meet the requirements of NFPA 30, Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code.
No parking against the structure.
Fire extinguishers are required. All extinguishers must be rated at a minimum of 40 BC. The number of extinguishers required will be determined at a later date.
A modified parking plan should be submitted indicating to the parking for repair customers, employees and convenience store patrons.

ENGINEERING
Approval with conditions: An approved revised site plan showing

1. *vehicle storage area*
2. *overnight storage area and number of vehicles*
3. *other storage areas*
4. *outdoor work area (if needed)*
5. *refuse disposal area*
6. *parking spaces to be separate from those being utilized by the convenience store*
7. *parking spaces to be designed so vehicles will not back out onto Front Street.*

RESTRICTIONS

1. *Good Housekeeping*
2. *No outside storage*
3. *No. of vehicles 6 inside 3 bays, 11 parking spaces outside*
4. *HRS M-F 9 – 6*
   Sat. 9-3
   No Sunday
5. *Abide by all Fire Dept. Regulations*
6. *See attached sheet dated July 16*
7. *No parking against building*

Committee vote 4 – 0 favorable.

ITEM #4
Application for a NEW Junk Dealers License for Second Time Around Collectibles & Stuff located at 957 Chicopee Street. Selling furniture, antiques, etc.

Applicant Matthew Yacavone
39 Columba Street
South Hadley, MA 01075

Motion made to remove item from the table. Motion passed.

Chairman Belair informed the committee that this item has been in committee since May. The property owner was to remedy some Fire Department concerns before this license was approved. The property owner has met with the Fire Department but since June 2009 she has not offered any answers or timelines to remedy the issues. Chairman Belair felt that enough time was given and that the committee should deny this application. If in the future the issues get resolved then the applicant can reapply.

Motion made to deny.

Committee vote 4 – 0 favorable.

ITEM #5
Minutes – September 28, 2009.
Motion made to approve. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM.