

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM  
THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND REGULATORY SERVICES COMMITTEE  
STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL  
December 1, 2015

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

Members Present: Council Members Lisa Goodman (chair), Jacob Frey, Kevin Reich, Abdi Warsame, and John Quincy

Members Absent: Council Member Alondra Cano

### **Presentation**

1. City of Minneapolis Employment & Training 2015 Partners of the Year Award for Outstanding Service Award ([15-01472](#))

Presenting City of Minneapolis Employment and Training 2015 Award for Outstanding Service to HIRED and Lifetrack.

Staff presentation by Deb Bahr-Helgen, Department of Community Planning & Economic Development (CPED).

Tyler Olson, Chair of the Minneapolis Workforce Council, spoke to the Youth Partner of the Year award presented to Jane Samargic, Executive Director of HIRED, who accepted the award, along with HIRED staff members present.

Carlye Peterson, with Minneapolis Public Schools and one of the chairs of the Adult Services Committee for the Minneapolis Workforce Council, spoke to the Adult Partner of the Year award presented to TrixieAnn Girtz Goldberg, President/CEO of Lifetrack, who accepted the award, along with Lifetrack staff members present.

The matter was received and filed.

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

2. Land sale: 2527 18th Ave S, to Linda Kay Leonard and Mary Juanita Leonard ([15-01473](#))

Passage of Resolution approving the sale of the property at 2527 18th Ave S, (Disposition Parcel No. TF-865) to Linda Kay Leonard and Mary Juanita Leonard for \$20,000, subject to conditions.

Staff presentation by Earl Pettiford, Department of Community Planning & Economic Development (CPED).

The public hearing was opened. There being no persons wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

3. Modist Brewing Company: 505 N 3rd St ([15-01474](#))

Approving application for On Sale Liquor Taproom, Class C-2 and Off Sale Malt Liquor Growler License (new business).

Staff presentation by Grant Wilson, CPED/Licenses & Consumer Services.

The public hearing was opened. There being no persons wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

On motion by Frey, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

4. Pimento Jamaican Kitchen: 2524 Nicollet Ave ([15-01474](#))

Approving application for On Sale Wine with Strong Beer, Class B License (new proprietor).

Staff presentation by Grant Wilson, CPED/Licenses & Consumer Services.

The public hearing was opened. There being no persons wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

On motion by Frey, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

5. Business Made Simple Initiative ([15-01330](#))

Passage of Ordinances amending the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances, amending regulations as part of the Business Made Simple Initiative:

1. Title 10, Chapter 188 relating to Food Code: Administration and Licensing.
2. Title 13 relating to Licenses and Business Regulations, as follows:
  - a. Chapter 259 relating to In General.
  - b. Chapter 267 relating to Amusements.
  - c. Chapter 287 relating to Filling Stations and Bulk Oil Plants.
  - d. Chapter 296 relating to Hospitals.
  - e. Chapter 299 relating to Ice Sale and Manufacture.
  - f. Chapter 301 relating to Laundries and Dry Cleaning Establishments.
  - g. Chapter 315 relating to Motor Vehicle Lubricant Dealers.

Staff presentation by Linda Roberts, CPED/Licenses & Consumer Services.

The public hearing was opened. There being no persons wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

On motion by Frey, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

6. Composting regulations ([15-01331](#))

Passage of Ordinance amending Title 12, Chapter 244 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Housing: Maintenance Code, amending provisions related to composting to add new definitions of acceptable and prohibited materials and to clarify enforcement requirements.

Staff presentation by Kelly Kish, Department of Public Works/Solid Waste & Recycling.

The public hearing was opened. There being no persons wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the following amendment to Chapter 244.770(c) was approved:

(c) Size. The maximum size for a compost area on lots with a residential structure shall be ~~two hundred forty-five (245) cubic feet for lots smaller than five thousand (5,000) square feet, four hundred five (405) cubic feet on lots five thousand (5,000) to ten thousand (10,000) square feet, and five hundred (500) cubic feet on lots over ten thousand (10,000) square feet~~ fifteen (15) cubic yards. The maximum size on lots without a residential structure shall be ~~four hundred five (405) cubic feet on lots smaller than five thousand (5,000) square feet, seven hundred twenty (720) cubic feet on lots five thousand (5,000) to ten thousand (10,000) square feet, and one thousand, one hundred twenty five (1,125) cubic feet on lots larger than ten thousand (10,000) square feet~~ twenty-five (25) cubic yards for lots under ten thousand (10,000) square feet and one hundred twenty (120) cubic yards for lots over ten thousand (10,000) square feet.

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved, as amended.

*Vice Chair Frey assumed the Chair and read a statement of procedure and rules for the quasi-judicial hearing, item 7.*

7. La Que Buena, Inc's Class E On Sale Liquor and Special Late Hours Food Licenses: La Que Buena, 1609 E Lake St ([15-01485](#))

Considering the Administrative Law Judge's findings and conclusions recommending adverse action against the Class E On-Sale Liquor and Special Late Hours Food Licenses held by La Que Buena, Inc., 1609 E Lake St.

Staff presentation by Joel Fussy, Assistant City Attorney.

Nadia Najarro Smith, J.D., Spanish Certified Interpreter and Translator, provided interpretation services.

The hearing was opened for comment by the licensee or their representative. The following persons spoke:

1. Jordon Kushner, 431 S 7th St, Suite #2446, Minneapolis, attorney on behalf of the owners of La Que Buena.
2. Juan Sanchez, 1611 E Lake St, Minneapolis, owner of La Que Buena.

On motion by Frey, carried on voice vote, the following recommendations were approved: 1) Staff recommendation to deny the Class E On-Sale Liquor and Special Late Hours Food Licenses held by La Que Buena, Inc.; 2) Direction to the City Attorney's office to draft Findings to support the Committee's decision to deny renewal of the licenses.

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the following recommendation was approved: Denied applicant's request that Committee stay enforcement of the licenses denial pending certiorari appeal to the Minnesota Court of Appeals.

On motion by Frey, carried on voice vote, the City Attorney's office was directed to draft Findings to support the Committee's decision to deny the stay request.

*Goodman resumed the Chair.*

8. Licenses & Consumer Services agenda for December 1, 2015 ([15-01474](#))

Granting business licenses recommended for approval in the Licenses & Consumer Services Agenda for December 1, 2015.

New liquor, wine and beer establishment owners or licenses, and permanent expansions or upgrades to existing licenses detailed as follows:

1. Encore Karaoke and Sushi: 2111 E Franklin Ave (new proprietor).
2. Saint Genevieve: 5003 Bryant Ave S (new proprietor).
3. W Minneapolis – The Foshay: 821 Marquette Ave (new proprietor).

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

9. Hawthorne EcoVillage Apartments Project: 617 Lowry Ave N, 3110 and 3116 Lyndale Ave N, 3113 and 3117 6th St N ([15-01475](#))

Authorizing staff to either: 1) continue analysis of the Hawthorne EcoVillage Apartments affordable housing proposal to determine if tax increment financing (TIF) is appropriate and justifiable; or 2) discontinue further TIF analysis of the project.

If further analysis concludes that TIF assistance is appropriate and justifiable, authorizing staff to negotiate redevelopment contract terms and conditions and prepare a TIF Plan and any necessary Redevelopment Plan or modifications for the project.

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved to authorize staff to continue analysis of the Hawthorne EcoVillage Apartments affordable housing proposal.

10. Acknowledgement of Receptivity to a Livable Communities Act (LCA) funding award form ([15-01476](#))

Passage of Resolution authorizing City officials to sign an Acknowledgement of Receptivity to an LCA Funding Award form for the referenced projects recommended for Metropolitan Council Livable Communities Local Housing Incentive Account (LHIA) grant awards.

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

11. Green Homes North Round 5 Request for Proposals ([15-01478](#))

Authorizing the release of the Request for Proposals for Round 5 of Green Homes North.

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

12. Home ownership and foreclosure prevention counseling ([15-01479](#))

Authorizing the issuance of a Request for Proposals for home ownership and foreclosure prevention counseling services.

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

13. City loan of Sarah Kesler: 2900 11th Ave S #114 ([15-01480](#))

Approving a short payoff for a loan the City provided to Sarah Kesler, 2900 11th Ave S, #114, and that the remaining balance of the loan be written off.

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

14. Classification of certain tax-forfeited land ([15-01482](#))

Passage of Resolution for the classification of certain tax-forfeited land.

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

15. Vacant Housing Recycling Program (VHRP) ([15-01481](#))

Passage of Resolution approving a program manual for the VHRP, which is a City program that allows for the acquisition and disposition of blighted properties for housing development.

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

16. Appropriation of HOME Program income ([15-01477](#))

Passage of Resolution approving appropriations to Residential Finance Fund by \$14,500 for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund program, and to the Residential and Real Estate Development Fund by \$1,008,630.03, for the Home Ownership Works program and program administration from the available fund balance (**Refer to W&M**).

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

17. Three-Year Evaluation of the Affordable Housing Initiative Report for the City of Minneapolis for 2012 – 2014 ([15-01483](#))

Receiving the Three-Year Evaluation of Affordable Housing Initiative Report.

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the matter was received and filed.

18. Green Zone Policy ([15-01411](#))

1. Approving direction to staff to work collaboratively with other departments, including but not limited to Community Planning and Economic Development, Health, Neighborhood and Community Relations and Public Works, to move forward with the proposed Work Plan for the development of a City Green Zone Policy.

2. Passage of Resolution establishing a Green Zone Policy Task Force.

Action Taken by HE&HC: Approved amended resolution.

The matter was postponed as noticed on the printed agenda.

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

Reported by Irene Kasper, Committee Coordinator