A regular meeting of the Liquor Advisory Committee was held on Monday, November 12, 2007 in the Lower Level Conference Room of Troy City Hall, 500 West Big Beaver Road. Chairman Max K. Ehlert called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Max K. Ehlert, Chairman
Henry W. Allemon
W. Stan Godlewski
Patrick C. Hall
David S. Ogg
Timothy P. Payne
Bohdan L. Ukrainec
Allan Motzny, Assistant City Attorney
Sergeant Robert Cantlon
Pat Gladysz

ABSENT: Clark Yuan, Student Representative

Resolution to Approve Minutes of September 17, 2007 Meeting

Resolution #LC2007-11-022
Moved by Allemon
Seconded by Payne

RESOLVED, that the Minutes of the September 17, 2007 meeting of the Liquor Advisory Committee be approved.

Yes: 7
No: 0
Absent: None

Agenda Items

1. **Konja 1, Inc, 5945 John R, Troy, MI 48085, Oakland County** requests transfer ownership of 2007 SDD and SDM licensed business from Troy Paradise, Inc. {MLCC Request #429800}

Present to answer questions from the Committee were Danial Konja and Louay Joulakh. Mr. Konja is purchasing this business from Mr. Joulakh. Mr. Konja has owned a similar business in Highland Park for over 13 years. Mr. Konja will attend TIPS/TAMS training, as will any future employees.

Sgt. Cantlon stated that his background investigation revealed no disqualifying factors.

Resolution #LC2007-11-023
Moved by Allemon
Seconded by Ukrainec

RESOLVED, that Konja 1, Inc, 5945 John R, Troy, MI 48085, Oakland County be allowed to transfer ownership of 2007 SDD and SDM licensed business from Troy Paradise, Inc.

Yes: 7
No: 0
Absent: None

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2. **Capital Grille Holdings, Inc.** requests to transfer ownership through merger of 2007 Class C licensed business with official permit (food) located at Somerset Collection North, 2800 W. Big Beaver, space #Q 123, Troy, MI 48084, Oakland County, from the Capital Grille of Troy, Inc.; requests a new SDM license to be held in conjunction; and requests to add space. {MLCC Request #62150}

Present to answer questions from the Committee was Kelly Allen, attorney for Capital Grille Holdings, Inc. Ms. Allen stated this is a merger issue that has been held up at the MLCC for approximately three years. She also advised the Committee of the space that has been added to the restaurant. Capital Grille Holdings is also requesting an SDM license to enable them to sell wine for off-premise consumption.

Sgt. Cantlon advised the Committee that Capital Grille has had only one violation (2001) since they opened for business. He confirmed the paperwork processing problems with an investigator at the MLCC. The delay was not the fault of the licensee

Resolution #LC2007-11-024
Moved by Allemon
Seconded by Ogg

RESOLVED, that Capital Grille Holdings, Inc. be allowed to transfer ownership through merger of 2007 Class C licensed business with official permit (food) located at Somerset Collection North, 2800 W. Big Beaver, space #Q 123, Troy, MI 48084, Oakland County, from the Capital Grille of Troy, Inc.; requests a new SDM license to be held in conjunction; and requests to add space.

Yes: 7
No: 0
Absent: None

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3. **TKE Restaurants, Inc.** requests to transfer ownership of 2007 Class C licensed business located in escrow at 1811 E. Ten Mile, Madison Heights, MI 48071, Oakland County, from Daily Double Lounge, Inc.: transfer location (governmental unit) (MLC 436.1531(1) to 1686 John R, Troy, MI 48084, Oakland County and requests a new Official Permit (Food). {MLCC Request #430628}

Present to answer questions from the Committee were Kelly Allen, attorney, and Ted Evans, owner. Ms. Allen advised the Committee that Mr. Evans has leased the former Hooters location, has purchased a liquor license from a bar in Madison Heights, and will open a franchised restaurant called Rib City Grill. Rib City Grill has a strong training program and Mr. Evans will also attend the TIPS training. Approximately 50 employees will be hired. The restaurant will have 150 seats and has ample parking.

Sgt. Cantlon stated that his background investigation revealed no disqualifying factors.

Resolution #LC2007-11-025
Moved by Ogg
Seconded by Godlewski

RESOLVED, that **TKE Restaurants, Inc.** be allowed to transfer ownership of 2007 Class C licensed business located in escrow at 1811 E. Ten Mile, Madison Heights, MI 48071, Oakland County, from Daily Double Lounge, Inc.: transfer location (governmental unit) (MLC 436.1531(1) to 1686 John R, Troy, MI 48084, Oakland County and requests a new Official Permit (Food).

Yes: 7
No: 0
Absent: None

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4. **Hospitality Ventures Management, Inc. (A Georgia Corporation) and RBHV Troy, LLC (A Delaware Limited Liability Company) (Co-Licensees)** request to transfer ownership of 2007 B-Hotel licensed business with Dance Permit, Official Permit (Food), Outdoor Service (1 Area), Direct Connection-1, 3 bars, and 251 rooms, located at 850 Tower, Troy, MI 48098, Oakland County, from DJONT/JPM Troy Leasing, LLC. (A Delaware Limited Liability Company); Felcor/JPM Troy Hotel, LLC (A Delaware Limited Liability Company) and Promus Hotels, Inc. A Delaware Corporation (Co-Licensees). {MLCC Request #426097}

Present to answer questions from the Committee were John Carlin, attorney, and James Miskulin. This is a transfer of ownership and management of the Embassy Suites Hotel. Mr. Miskulin advised the Committee that Hospitality Ventures Management operates specifically under Hilton and Marriott franchised hotels. This location will undergo major cosmetic renovations beginning in December.

Sgt. Cantlon stated that his background investigation revealed no disqualifying factors.

Resolution #LC2007-11-026
Moved by Allemon
Seconded by Ukrainec

RESOLVED, that Hospitality Ventures Management, Inc. (A Georgia Corporation) and RBHV Troy, LLC (A Delaware Limited Liability Company) (Co-Licensees) be allowed to transfer ownership of 2007 B-Hotel licensed business with Dance Permit, Official Permit (Food), Outdoor Service (1 Area), Direct Connection-1, 3 bars, and 251 rooms, located at 850 Tower, Troy, MI 48098, Oakland County, from DJONT/JPM Troy Leasing, LLC. (A Delaware Limited Liability Company); Felcor/JPM Troy Hotel, LLC (A Delaware Limited Liability Company) and Promus Hotels, Inc. A Delaware Corporation (Co-Licensees).

Yes: 7
No: 0
Absent: None

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5. **Hospitality Wal-Mart Stores East,** Limited partnership requests new SDM license with 2 new Direct Connections to be located at 2001 W Maple, Troy, MI 48084, Oakland County. (Public Chain) {MLCC Request #431440}

Present to answer questions from the Committee were Sandra Cotter, attorney, Nicole Chase, store manager, and Diane Behnke, market manager. Ms. Cotter explained that Wal-Mart is requesting an SDM license in order to sell self-serve beer and wine from their grocery department. Wal-Mart has an extensive computer-based learning module that will train all cashiers and managers. Also, the cash registers are programmed to allow only those transactions with a legal birth date of the purchaser, legal day of week/time of day, and will prohibit sales by underage employees.

Sgt. Cantlon stated that his background investigation revealed no disqualifying factors. Also, he has reviewed the computer-based learning module that will be used for training and agrees that it meets the City's requirements.

Resolution #LC2007-11-027
Moved by Allemon
Seconded by Ogg

RESOLVED, **Wal-Mart Stores East,** Limited partnership be granted new SDM license with 2 new Direct Connections to be located at 2001 W Maple, Troy, MI 48084, Oakland County. (Public Chain)

Yes: 7
No: 0
Absent: None

The Committee discussed the informational items on the agenda, as well as the recent sale-to-minor violations.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Max K. Ehlert, Chairman

Patricia A. Gladysz, Secretary II