

MINUTES
BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION

APRIL 7, 1987

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the West Hollywood Business License Commission held on the above date in the Assembly Room of the West Hollywood Sheriff's Station, 720 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood, CA, was called to order by Commission Chair Hirsch at 7:16 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jeanne Dobrin.

B. Roll Call:

Commissioners Present: Crane, Forbes, Hirsch, Smith

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Paul Self, Business License Officer;
John McKinney, Sr. Code Enforcement
Officer;
Deputy Early Lincoln, L.A. County
Sheriff's Licensing Detail;
Jan Pluim, L.A. County Counsel;
Michael Jenkins, City Attorney; and
Michelle Beal Bagneris, Assistant City
Attorney.

C. Approval of Agenda

Action: To approve agenda as prepared.

(Motion: Smith Second: Crane)

Carried unanimously.

D. Approval of Minutes

Action: To approve minutes of March 17, 1987 as prepared.

II. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS

1. Jeanne Dobrin, 9000 Cynthia, West Hollywood
Asked participants to speak into the microphone.

2. Budd Kops, 969 N. Larrabee, West Hollywood
Noted activity at Le Bel Age Hotel; requested hearing
on enforcement activity.

III. COMMISSION CHAIR'S REPORT: None

IV. STAFF REPORT: None

V. PUBLIC HEARING

A. BLC-87-005

Accusation Hearing

Twentieth Century Travel Advisors, Inc.

dba Beverly Hills Massage

8574 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood

(continued from March 3, 1987).

1. Staff presented evidence submitted to-date.
2. Asst. City Attorney noted that City Attorney's office concluded that appropriate procedures were followed at hearing of March 3, 1987 and there were no grounds for dismissing case. Asst. City Attorney also reviewed Accusation Hearing procedures.
3. Counsel for the Respondent objected to the Accusation Hearing procedures. Objections were overruled by Asst. City Attorney.
4. Counsel for the Respondent also:
 - a. Moved to dismiss the amended accusation;
 - b. Moved to disqualify Commissioner Crane for biased comments made, regarding the accusation hearing, at a Commission Study Session on March 31;
 - c. Moved to exclude witnesses pursuant to Evidence Code 777.
 - d. Moved to continue proceeding to a convenient date and time when West Hollywood has an appropriate hearing facility available for the hearing and that hearing commence at 9:00 or 10:00 a.m. or on a weekend;

- e. Moved to dismiss Counts I, II, III of the accusation as too remote in time to be probative of any evidence that would be suggestive or would support any of the counts of the Accusation;

City Attorney overruled Counsel's objections.

- 5. Evidence submitted to County Counsel. Staff noted that County Counsel received 4 pages noted as Attachment E; 4 pages, noted as Attachment F; 6 pages noted as Attachment G; and 4 pages, noted as Attachment H.
- 6. Public Testimony
 - a. Deputy Lancaster, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
 - b. Deputy Paul R. George, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

(Recess called at 9:26 p.m. Hearing resumed at 9:49 p.m.)

Evidence item 26, a court docket pertaining to alleged activities on August 9, 1984 was received and accepted by the Commission.

Evidence Item 27, a court docket pertaining to alleged activities on August 7, 1986 was received and accepted by the Commission.

- c. Deputy Kenneth L. Johnson, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Action: To continue hearing to April 21, 1987, in City Hall Council Chambers.

(Motion: Smith Second: Forbes)

Carried unanimously.

VI. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

- 1. Commission referred to staff to request a joint study session with the City Council to discuss enforcement activities.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

