

**MINUTES
BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION**

May 16, 1989

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the West Hollywood Business License Commission held on the above date in the City Council Chambers of West Hollywood City Hall, 8615 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA, was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by Commission Chair Rachelle Sommers Smith.

A. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Smith.

B. Roll Call:

Commissioners Present: Ellis, Forbes, Hirsch
Smith

Commissioners Absent: Stribling

Staff Present: Joyce Parker, Associate
Planner; Paul Self,
Business License Officer;
Joe Crow, Administrative
Staff Assistant; Deputy
Early Lincoln, Los Angeles
County Sheriff's Licensing
Detail

C. Approval of Agenda

Action: To approve agenda as prepared by staff.

(Motion: Hirsch, Second: Forbes)
Motion carried unanimously.

D. Approval of Minutes

Action: To approve the minutes of May 2, 1989
as prepared by staff.

(Motion: Hirsch, Second: Ellis)
Motion carried unanimously.

II. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS: None

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. BLC-89-013
Revision of City of West Hollywood's Business
License Ordinance (Continued from April 4, 1989)

Action: To continue the hearing opened to the
next regularly scheduled meeting of June
6, 1989 of the Commission.

(Motion: Forbes, Second: Hirsch)
Motion carried unanimously.

- B. BLC-89-011
Philip Marks and Jerry Gould
dba West Hollywood Club
9255 Sunset Blvd., West Hollywood
Application for Card and Game Club license

Staff report presented by Self.

APPLICANT TESTIMONY:

Richard Dear, Legal Representative, San Marino
Jerry Gould, Los Angeles

Action: To approve a Card and Game Club business
license application for Philip Marks and
Jerry Gould dba West Hollywood Club with
the following conditions:

- 1) The games indicated (Bridge, Gin, Backgammon
and Pinochle) will be played only as indicated
and enumerated in the original application.
Any variation of gaming concept must be
submitted in writing and approved prior to
inception. Attached are copies of the house
rules for Gin, Backgammon and Pinochle. The
bridge game will be played under "The
International Code; Laws of Contract Bridge."
The code is published by the American Contract
Bridge League;
- 2) Notwithstanding adherence to the provisions
and/or revisions, Section 330 of the
California Penal Code will set precedence in
any and all present or future gaming
concepts;
- 3) The applicant shall maintain strict compliance
with Sections 4125 through 4130 of the West
Hollywood Municipal Code;

- 4) The licensee or his representative shall not charge and collect a percentage of the player's winnings. The licensee may charge a fee for a seat rental at a table and that fee must be based upon the time that the player utilizes the seat/chair. The utilization is determined by the length of time that each player is seated at a table and plays a specified game;
- 5) The former owner(s) and/or management shall not have any involvement in the new business. This includes administrative, supervisory, consulting, managing or any other function that would involve them in the operation;
- 6) There shall be no games played at the location that are not commonly recognized as one of the games described in Condition #1;
- 7) All provisions of Chapter 7.22 of the West Hollywood Municipal code regarding the operation of Card and Game clubs shall be strictly adhered to;
- 8) The approved license shall be subject to a one-year review by staff with a report to the Commission on the operation of the licensed establishment.

(Motion: Hirsch, Second: Ellis)
Motion carried unanimously.

- C. BLC-89-016
Christopher Street West/Los Angeles, Inc.
Application for Outdoor Festival license
Annual Gay Pride Festival
West Hollywood Park and San Vicente Blvd. between
Santa Monica Blvd. and Melrose Ave., June 24 and
25, 1989

Staff report presented by Self.

APPLICANT TESTIMONY:

Gary Jonker, Los Angeles

Action: To approve an Outdoor Festival business license application for the Christopher Street West/Los Angeles, Inc. to conduct an annual Gay Pride Festival in West Hollywood Park and on San Vicente Blvd. between Santa Monica Blvd. and Melrose Ave. on June 24 and 25, 1989 with the following conditions:

- 1) Recommendation for approval must be given by the City's Building and Safety Division and the County Fire, Health and Sheriff's Departments, before release of the Outdoor Festival license and the conduct of the Festival;
- 2) The applicant must secure a Temporary Use Permit from the City's Planning Division;
- 3) The hours of operation for the event shall be from 10:00 a.m. to midnight on Saturday, June 24th, and from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 25th, 1989;
- 4) The applicant must not violate the provisions of the City's Noise Ordinance as set forth in Section 4300 of the West Hollywood Municipal Code;
- 5) The applicant shall allow no more than 20,000 persons into the Festival area on Saturday, June 24th and no more than 30,000 persons into the Festival area on Sunday, June 25, 1989;
- 6) The applicant agrees to provide off-site parking spaces for festival staff, vendors and guests equal to one-tenth of the number of festival guests allowed by the license;
- 7) The applicant shall submit a letter from the Pacific Design Center stating that the Pacific Design Center has agreed to allow Christopher Street West, Inc. to use the parking structure owned and operated by the Pacific Design Center for parking for festival vendors and guests. The letter shall also state the hours the parking structure shall be open, the cost for parking of each vehicle and the number of spaces available;
- 8) The applicant shall request that the West Hollywood City Council waive permit parking in Permit Parking Districts #1 and #2;
- 9) The applicant shall only allow to be consumed on the premises those alcoholic beverages specifically sold by the applicant on the festival grounds. No bottles or cans of alcoholic beverages are allowed on the festival grounds and alcoholic beverages served are restricted to beer and wine only. Alcoholic beverages must be paid for with tickets purchased at a separate location on the festival grounds;

- 10) The applicant shall submit a site plan showing the location of the proposed festival, and the location of the staging area, loudspeakers, toilet facilities, interior access, medical facilities and drinking facilities;
- 11) That the Commission waive the current Outdoor Festival license requirements for parking, drinking fountain facilities, the prohibition of the sale of alcoholic beverages and the mailing of notices to property owners within a 500' radius of the event, as indicated in this staff report.

(Motion: Forbes, Second, Hirsch)
Motion carried unanimously.

D. BLC-89-017
Kenneth MacKenzie dba Paris House
7525 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood
Application for renewal of Model Studio-Adult
license

Staff report presented by Self.

APPLICANT TESTIMONY:

Robert DePiano, Legal Representative, Beverly Hills

Action: To grant the renewal of the Model Studio-Adult business license to Kenneth MacKenzie dba Paris House with the following conditions:

- 1) A recommendation for approval of the license renewal must be received by the City's Building and Safety division;
- 2) The licensee will conform with the requirements of the City's Municipal Code with regard to the any and all signs at the licensee's establishment.

(Motion: Hirsch, Second: Ellis)
Motion carried unanimously.

IV. COMMISSION CHAIR'S REPORT

- 1) Commissioner Smith mentioned that Palette Restaurant was referred to the Planning Commission for a public hearing regarding their CUP.

- 2) Commissioner Smith requested that the Commission consider sending a letter to City Council regarding the possibility of hiring additional code enforcement officers.
- 3) Commissioner Smith encouraged the Commission to attend an upcoming senior citizen fashion show.

V. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

- 1) Commissioner Hirsch seconded Commissioner Smith's request for the City to staff four full-time code enforcement officers.
- 2) Commissioner Forbes expressed concern about the onslaught of traffic on Sunset Blvd.

VI. ITEMS FROM STAFF

- 1) Self updated the Commission of the upcoming hearing calendar.
- 2) Self informed the Commission that election for chair and vice-chair will be held at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

VII. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS: None

VIII ADJOURNMENT

Action: To adjourn to a Study Session of the Commission to begin at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6, 1989 to be held in the City Council Chambers.

(Motion: Forbes, Second: Ellis)
Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

COMMISSION CHAIR

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION