

**MINUTES
BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION
MEETING**

July 7, 1992

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the West Hollywood Business License Commission held on the above date in the City Council Chambers in the Werle Building, 626 N. Robertson Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA, was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Acting Chair Todd Elliott.

A. Pledge of Allegiance led by Derek W. Widdiss

B. Roll Call: Present - Acting Chair Elliott
Comm. Maggio, Ellis,
Sonnenburg

Absent - Chair Forbes

C. Approval of Agenda:

Motion: To approve agenda as drafted.

Motion - Comm. Ellis
Second - Comm. Sonnenburg

Motion to approve carries with all ayes from the BLC.

D. Approval of Minutes:

Motion: To continue until next BLC meeting (8/4/92).

Motion - Comm. Sonnenburg
Second - Comm. Ellis

Motion to continue carries with all ayes from the BLC.

Acting Chair Elliott requests that the Consent Calendar item (Opera Caberet Resolution) be continued to the next BLC meeting (8/4/92).

Motion - Comm. Sonnenburg
Second - Comm. Ellis

Motion to continue Consent Calendar item (Opera Cabaret Resolution) passes with all ayes from BLC.

E. Election of Chairperson:

Commissioner Sonnenburg requests that the election of a new Chairperson be postponed as the Chair (Scott

Forbes) could not be present to participate in the vote.

Chair Elliott requested that the election nominations be postponed until the end of agenda per suggestions offered by Commissioners Ellis and Sonnenburg.

Motion - Comm. Sonnenburg
Second - Comm. Ellis

Motion to postpone election until the end of the agenda carries with all ayes from the BLC.

II. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS

None.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

Continued to next regularly scheduled BLC meeting (8/4/92) per previous motion made by Commissioners.

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Applicant (Studio One) has withdrawn its application for a Dance business license transfer. No staff report was given.

V. COMMISSION CHAIR'S REPORT

Acting Chair Elliott asked that the BLC Chairperson attend other sub-committee meetings and bring reports back to the BLC.

Commissioner Ellis concurred with the Acting Chair and indicated to the BLC and staff that the present Chair had not been attending these sub-committee meetings on a regular basis and stressed the importance of doing so.

VII. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioners discussed the role of the BLC after Zoning changes were implemented by the City Council (re: Dance business licenses).

Commissioners questioned staff as to what the BLC's role would be in the future.

Staff (Ms. Forbes) responded to BLC concerns indicating a number of accomplishments achieved by the BLC in previous years and stressed the importance of maintaining a strong presence in the City.

The BLC continued discussing issues relating to what the role of the BLC would be in the future.

Comm. Ellis asked staff about the licensing requirements for Entertainment business licenses.

Staff (Ms. Forbes) indicated these licenses were granted over-the-counter and did not require public hearings for approvals.

Commissioner Sonnenburg stated concerns regarding noise emanating from clubs on Sunset Blvd. near her residence.

The BLC asked for a monthly status report be provided to the BLC at their scheduled meetings.

There was extensive discussion between the BLC and staff as to the frequency of BLC meetings (i.e. how often should the BLC meet, etc.).

Staff (Ms. Forbes) stated that the BLC should meet on an as-needed basis.

The BLC agreed to meet on an as-needed basis but not less than every 70 days. If a meeting is cancelled then a meeting shall take place the following month.

Comm. Ellis asked about the status of Fleetwood's supper club.

Staff reported that the ABC has still not granted liquor license as yet (still pending approval).

Comm. Ellis asked about the issuance of new BLC Official Parking Permit renewals.

Staff indicated that supplier of renewals was late in supplying City with stickers and that the City had informed the police department not to give parking citation to Official Parking Permits.

Comm. Maggio asked about monies available to BLC for seminars.

Staff indicated that monies were not available to the BLC for seminars (or any other type of events) for fiscal year 1992/1993.

Acting Chair Elliott stated that a BLC member could request special allocation of monies for important BL-related seminars/meetings and approval could be granted by the City Council.

Acting Chair Elliott asked the BLC if they would be interested in electing a new chairperson.

Comm. Sonnenburg requested that the BLC postpone

election and made a motion to postpone the election until the next scheduled BLC meeting (8/4/92).

Motion: Comm. Sonnenburg
Second: Comm. Maggio

Motion to continue election carries (for purposes of discussion) by the BLC.

Acting Chair Elliott requested that the election of Chairperson take place as scheduled and gave a brief outline of his reasons for same.

Comm. Ellis concurred with Acting Chair Elliott.

Comm. Sonnenburg requested that the election be continued as all Commission members were not present for the vote.

The BLC continued discussions as to when the election should occur.

Staff (Ms. Forbes) requested a vote call on the motion put on the table by the BLC regarding the continuance of the election until the next regularly scheduled BLC meeting (8/4/92).

The motion to continue the election failed due to a dead-lock vote (2 ayes - Comm. Sonnenburg, Maggio) and (2 nos - Comm. Ellis, Elliott).

Staff (Ms. Forbes) stated to the BLC members that the Commission should postpone election if the dead-lock could not be broken.

Comm. Sonnenburg re-iterated her motion to continue the election until the next BLC meeting (8/4/92).

Motion: Comm. Sonnenburg
Second: Comm. Maggio

Motion to continue election to the next BLC meeting carries with a majority vote of the BLC (with the exception of Acting Chair Elliott).

VIII ITEMS FROM STAFF

Staff (J. Jakupcak) gave a brief report on the City's permit streamlining procedures and meetings that had been on-going.

The BLC asked questions as to changes implemented on behalf of the streamlining process.

Comm. Ellis asked about City Hall parking space availability for City officials in the evening hours.

Staff indicated that the parking lot is controlled by the property owner and not City Hall.

IX. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS

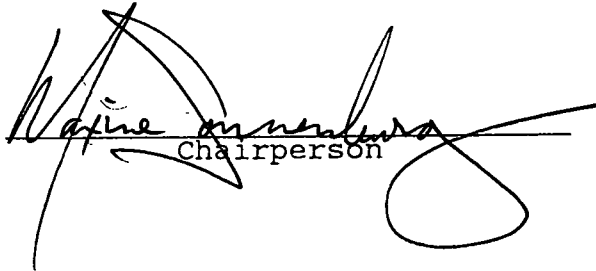
None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn to the next regularly scheduled meeting of August 4, 1992.

Motion: Comm. Maggio
Second: Comm. Ellis

Motion to adjourn passes with all ayes from the Business License Commission.


Wayne Anselmi
Chairperson


John Jakupcak
Staff Liaison