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BUSINESS LICENSE REVIEW BOARD

WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK

4:00 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Terrigno at 4:25 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** PRESENT: Albert, Schulte,  
Viterbi, Heilman,  
Mayor Terrigno

ALSO  
PRESENT: City Manager -  
Bien  
City Attorney -  
Jenkins

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Council reviewed the applications for the following 3 businesses: West Hollywood Athletic Club, Imperial Gardens and Golden Legend Bookstore.

**1. WEST HOLLYWOOD ATHLETIC CLUB:**

The following people addressed the Council during the public hearing on the granting of a new business license to operate as a health spa with coin games to the West Hollywood Athletic Club, 8560 Santa Monica Blvd., W.H., CA 90069:

Jeanne Dobrin, 9000 Cynthia, W.H., CA: Expressed to the Council her concerns on the changes in the West Hollywood Athletic Club facility and thought that the issue of parking should be dealt with.

Nancy Taylor (no speaker slip available): Ms. Taylor felt that licenses should only be renewed to existing businesses if nothing was going to be changed within the business itself, as she thought there were many questions yet unanswered regarding regional planning and zoning.

**ACTION:** To approve the business license. Motion Viterbi second Schulte.

AYES: Albert, Schulte,  
Viterbi, Heilman  
Mayor Terrigno

Motion carried.

**2. IMPERIAL GARDENS:**

The following people addressed the Council during the public hearing on the granting of a new business license for entertainment with dance for Imperial Gardens, 8225 Sunset Blvd., W.H., CA 90046:

Steven Yasutake/Owner: Spoke on behalf of restaurant.

Nancy Taylor (no speaker slip available): Had questions concerning parking and their previous Conditional Use Permit.

**ACTION:** To continue hearing to the following next Business License Review Board Hearing so that Council could hear back from Health Department on their re-inspection of the restaurant (follow-up on five previously cited health code violations), and from Regional Planning. Motion Albert second Heilman.

AYES: Albert, Schulte,  
Viterbi, Heilman  
Mayor Terrigno

Motion carried.

**3. GOLDEN LEGEND BOOKSTORE:**

The following people addressed the Council during the public hearing on granting a business license for operating as a bookstore to Golden Legend Inc., 8586 Melrose Ave., W.H., CA:

Gordon Hollis/Owner: Addressed the Council on the nature of his business and the reasons for granting his business license. No other people from the public addressed the board at this time.

**FURTHER ACTION:** To grant a business license to the Golden Legend Inc. Motion Schulte second Albert.

AYES: Albert, Schulte,  
Viterbi, Heilman,  
Mayor Terrigno

Motion carried.

**FURTHER ACTION:** To continue to the next Business License Review Board hearing to review the Conditional Use Permits for the nightclub Peanuts and the Pussy Cat Theatre. In addition, Council directed the record to reflect that the intent of the Council was not to prosecute these businesses while their licenses were up for renewal. Motion Viterbi second Mayor Terrigno.

AYES: Albert, Schulte,  
Viterbi, Heilman,  
Mayor Terrigno

Motion carried.

FURTHER ACTION: To authorize the City Clerk to notify any businesses, that were improperly issued a license, that their license was improperly issued and that they will be heard by the Business License Review Board of the City of West Hollywood. (These were licenses issued by the County Tax Office after incorporation of the City and not heard by the West Hollywood Business License Review Board.) Motion Viterbi second Schulte.

AYES: Albert, Schulte,  
Viterbi, Heilman,  
Mayor Terrigno  
Motion carried.

FURTHER ACTION: To direct that in the future the renewal of all business licenses for adult oriented businesses including adult bookstores and entertainment with dance establishments, come before the Business License Review Board for a hearing and that the property owners and residents within the appropriate radius be notified for that hearing.

AYES: Albert, Schulte,  
Viterbi, Heilman,  
Mayor Terrigno  
Motion carried.

DIRECTION: To have a copy of the Code pertaining to noticing of a public hearing be brought to the next Business License Review Board hearing. By consensus so ordered.

DIRECTION: To have the City Manager prepare a comprehensive report on how business licenses should be handled in the future. By the consensus of the Council so ordered.

DIRECTION: For Planning and Zoning to be present with a written report at all future Business License Review Board hearings.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Public:** The following people addressed the Council at this time:

Joshua Feld, President-Alhar Corp. doing business as Peanuts: Stated that he wasn't clear about the criteria for review of his license at the next Review Board hearing.

ACTION: To move to agenda as prepared and presented in advance by staff. Motion Heilman second Albert. (Motion requires two-thirds majority.)

AYES: Albert, Schulte,  
Heilman,  
NOES: Viterbi, Mayor  
Terrigno  
Motion failed.

ADJOURNMENT: The council adjourned the Business License Review Board hearing to a Closed Session to discuss matters of potential litigation at 5:35 p.m.