



DNA Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

Where: The Last Hotel and via Zoom

When: February 23rd at 6pm

Attendees: Dan Pistor (Chair), Tanner Tucker (Chair), Sheila Hockel, John Hockel, Tim Bryant, Michael Antkowiak, Ava Spencer, Jeffrey Carson, Kristin Denbow, Lynna Sherman, Victoria Schultz, Craig Heller, Aaron Church, Arnold Stricker, Brad Waldrop, Corey James, Jen Redden, John Hyatt, Shane Million, Suzanne Moak, Lieutenant Boyher.

1. Liquor Licensing

- New Applications:
 - Cru Lounge | Legacy Vibes LLC. | Manager Jovan Wilson | 807-809 N 2nd | Applied 2/4/22
- Pending Applications:
 - Harolds Shrimp and Chicken | BMG Enterprise, LLC | Manager Mecoe Booker | 1325 Washington (rear) | Applied 10/29/21
- We continue to have issues with the potential sale and consumption of alcohol without a valid permit at several venues. A new non-licensed venue popped up just outside of downtown which we will continue to monitor.
- Dan conveyed our stance on catering permits. We have experienced operators trying to get around applying for a Full Drink License by obtaining a Catering Permit. We do not approve of the issuance of catering permits so club owners can circumvent the plat and petition process. These places should apply for a real liquor license. Catering permits should be limited to venues that do not regularly serve alcohol, like a special event at a museum or a fundraiser at the Central Library.
- Nara Hookah Bar has had their liquor license suspended for several weeks by Excise but it was unclear as to why.

2. Quality of Life Concerns, Cruising, and Updates from SLMPD

- No updates thus far on Board Bill 119 for loitering and Board Bill 125 for panhandling are designed to undo the loitering and panhandling laws in the city. They were heard at the committee level but did not make it out of committee yet. The current panhandling ordinance only outlaws aggressive panhandling and near certain places such as churches and schools which seem reasonable.
- Board Bill 150 which is a bill to protect the property of the homeless. They had a hearing in March which Dan testified at expressing concern on the impact downtown that would allow encampments to pop up all over downtown since they cannot be removed in a short amount of time.
- Lieutenant Boyher said Major Kriesmann and Ron Johnson are in Atlanta studying their cruising detail. Manpower has dropped drastically in the department.
- Victoria is having issues with illegal parking around 15th and Locust. Lieutenant Boyher said there are no tow trucks available but to call 911.
- A shooting occurred on the 13th on a Sunday morning at 11am at Tucker and Washington which stemmed from a drug deal gone bad.



3. Problem Properties

- **Tucker Shell** - Significant action is being taken by the city which cannot be publicly discussed.
- **NLEC** - The city granted the NLEC and occupancy permit. The group NIA Downtown West will dispute it and take legal action.
- **Locust Tucker Garage** - Bonds were recently issued to financing the rehab of the garage.
- **Parking Lots** - A revised Board Bill 122 dealing with Surface Parking Lots which was held up for a long time was released today. Dan has concerns with a few items on the bill which he will seek to address. It is scheduled to be heard next Wednesday in the Public Safety Meeting with the Board of Alderman. The group that have opposed the bill thus far are the Cardinals, LHM, and St Louis Parking.
- **AirBNB Issues** - No updates
- **2030 Delmar** - The building caught fire in December. The issue now is that people are entering the premises. The building needs to be secured.

4. Open Discussion

- The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday March 30th**.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm