

MINUTES
Special Session of the College Park City Council
Tuesday, April 16, 2019
Council Chambers
8:33 P.M. – 8:36 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Wojahn; Councilmembers Kabir, Kennedy, Brennan, Dennis, Day, Kujawa, and Mitchell.

ABSENT: Councilmember Rigg.

ALSO PRESENT: Scott Somers, City Manager; Bill Gardiner, Assistant City Manager; Janeen Miller, City Clerk; Suellen Ferguson, City Attorney; Bob Ryan, Director of Public Services; Gary Fields, Director of Finance; Alex Tobin, Student Liaison; Serena Saunders, Deputy Student Liaison.

During a regularly scheduled Worksession of the College Park City Council, a motion was made by Councilmember Day and seconded by Councilmember Brennan to enter into a Special Session to consider support for the liquor license application for The Board and Brew. The possibility of the Special Session was listed on the Worksession agenda. With a vote of 7-0, Council entered into Special Session at 8:33 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

19-G-64 Property Use Agreement for Benjamin Epstein and Brian McClimens, Owners, The Board and Brew, and application for a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor License for the use of Ben & Brian Games, LLC

Mr. McClimens said they currently have a beer and wine license and want to expand to include liquor. Staff is recommending approval. Council asked why this is coming before them so late in the process? Staff replied that the applicant is not represented by an attorney so may not have known. Request for their new menu. They never charge a cover. Brunch is a large portion of their business and want to be able to serve Bloody Marys.

A motion was made by Councilmember Brennan and seconded by Councilmember Dennis to approve a recommendation to the Board of License Commissioners of Prince George's County (the "BOLC") for issuance of a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor License to Ben & Brian Games, LLC, t/a The Board and Brew, Benjamin Epstein and Brian McClimens, Owners, (Licensees) at the property located at 8150 Baltimore Avenue, Suites F & G, College Park, MD 20740, subject to Licensee entering into a Property Use Agreement with the City, in substantially the form attached, authorize the City Manager to sign the PUA, and authorize the Public Services Director to testify before the BOLC concerning the City's support.

Councilmember Brennan said this is a unique business venture and that they are known in the gaming community.

Mayor Wojahn said the business provides an amenity to students and families.

The motion passed 7-0.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Councilmember Day and seconded by Councilmember Dennis to adjourn from the Special Session, and with a vote of 7-0, Mayor Wojahn adjourned the Special Session at 8:36 p.m.

Janeen S. Miller
City Clerk

Date
Approved