



**LIQUOR BOARD MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL
#1 CITY HALL PLACE
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2024 - 5:30 PM
MINUTES**

A. PREMEETING DISCUSSION - 5:30 PM

B. ROLL CALL - 5:45 PM

Liquor Board Members Present: Modesto Cartagena, Liz Chapman, Steve Cornetta, Tom Rose.

Liquor Board Members Present via Zoom: None.

Liquor Board Members Absent: Carma Loontjer.

Administrative Staff Members Present: Assistant City Attorney Elizabeth Sexton-Drake, Deputy City Clerk Vincent Petkosek, Licensing Coordinator Tammy Matinez.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Cornetta, seconded by Chapman, moved to approve the agenda as distributed.

Roll Call - **Ayes:** Cartagena, Chapman, Cornetta, Rose. **Nays:** None. Motion Passed 4-0.

D. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D1 Reading and Approval of the Minutes from October 16, 2024, meeting.

Cornetta, seconded by Cartagena, moved to dispense with the reading and approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting dated October 16, 2024, as distributed.

Roll Call - **Ayes:** Cartagena, Chapman, Cornetta, Rose. **Nays:** None. Motion Passed 4-0.

E. REGULAR AGENDA

**E1 Modification of Premises - Circle K Stores LLC, dba: Circle K Store
#2709514, 1290 W. Pueblo Blvd.**

Kevin Coats - Dill & Dill Attorney
Craig Holmes - Rep. of Circle K Stores LLC.

Deputy City Clerk Vincent Petkosek confirmed the Public Notice was posted in a timely manner.

Mr Cornetta swore in Mr. Coats and Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Coats and Mr. Holmes answered questions and addressed comments made by members of the Pueblo Liquor Board.

Public Hearing

Seeing no one wished to speak, Mr. Cornetta declared the hearing closed.

Rose, seconded by Cartagena, moved to approve the Modification of Premises for Circle K Store #2709514, 1290 W. Pueblo Blvd, contingent on all department sign-offs.

Roll Call - **Ayes:** Cartagena, Chapman, Cornetta, Rose. **Nays:** None. Motion Passed 4-0.

E2 Modification of Premises - *Rojas & Rojas LLC, dba: Garlic and Onion, 4333 Thatcher Ave.*

Jesus Rojas
Jose Victor Rojas

Deputy City Clerk Vincent Petkosek confirmed the Public Notice was posted in a timely manner.

Mr Cornetta swore in Jesus and Jose.

Jesus and Jose answered questions and addressed comments made by members of the Pueblo Liquor Board.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Seeing no one wished to speak, Mr. Cornetta declared the hearing closed.

Chapman, seconded by Cartagena, moved to approve the modification of Garlic & Onion, 4333 Thatcher Ave, contingent on all department sign-offs.

Roll Call - **Ayes:** Cartagena, Chapman, Cornetta, Rose. **Nays:** None. Motion Passed 4-0.

E3 Hearing - Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License - Heart & Soul Bar and Grill LLC, dba: Heart & Soul Bar and Grill, 1335 E. Evans Ave.

Cherie Lopez - Owner

Deputy City Clerk Vincent Petkosek confirmed the Public Notice was posted in a timely manner.

Mr Cornetta swore in Ms. Lopez.

Ms. Lopez answered questions and addressed comments made by members of

thePueblo Liquor Board.

Public Hearing

Seeing no one, Mr. Cornetta closed the Public Hearing.

Cornetta, seconded by Chapman, moved to approve the Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License for Heart and Soul Bar and Grill, 1335 E. Evans Ave, contingent on all department sign-offs.

Roll Call - **Ayes:** Cartagena, Chapman, Cornetta, Rose. **Nays:** None. Motion Passed 4-0.

Assistant City Attorney Elizabeth Sexton-Drake read the Findings and Order for the record.

Cornetta, seconded by Cartagena, moved to accept the Findings and Order as read.

Roll Call - **Ayes:** Cartagena, Chapman, Cornetta, Rose. **Nays:** None. Motion Passed 4-0.

E4 Hearing - Cabaret License - Heart & Soul Bar and Grill LLC, dba: Heart & Soul Bar and Grill, 1335 E. Evans Ave.

Cherie Lopez - Owner

Deputy City Clerk Vincent Petkosek confirmed the Public Notice was posted in a timely manner.

Mr Cornetta informed Ms. Lopez was still under oath.

Ms. Lopez answered questions and addressed comments made by members of the Pueblo Liquor Board.

Mr. Cornetta took Administrative Notice of the previous testimony of Ms. Lopez.

Public Hearing

Seeing no one Mr. Cornetta closed the Public Hearing.

Cornetta, seconded by Rose, moved to approve the Cabaret License contingent on all department sign-offs.

Roll Call - **Ayes:** Cartagena, Chapman, Cornetta, Rose. **Nays:** None. Motion Passed 4-0.

Assistant City Attorney Elizabeth Sexton-Drake read the Findings and Order for the record.

Cornetta, seconded by Chapman, moved to accept the Findings and Order as read.

Roll Call - **Ayes:** Cartagena, Chapman, Cornetta, Rose. **Nays:** None. Motion Passed 4-0.

E5 Hearing - Fermented Malt Beverage and Wine Retailer License - Murphy Oil

USA inc, dba: Murphy USA #7967, 1707 S. Pueblo Blvd.

Adam Stapen - Dill & Dill Law
Robert Holman - Rep for Murphy Oil USA

Deputy City Clerk Vincent Petkosek confirmed the Public Notice was posted in a timely manner.

Mr Cornetta swore in Mr. Holman and Mr. Stapen.

Mr. Holman and Mr. Stapen answered questions and addressed comments made by members of the Pueblo Liquor Board.

Public Hearing

Seeing no one, Mr. Cornetta closed the Public Hearing.

Cartagena, seconded, Rose, moved to approve the Fermented Malt Beverage and Wine Retailer Liquor License for Murphy USA #7967, 1707 S. Pueblo Blvd, contingent on all department sign-offs.

Roll Call - **Ayes:** Cartagena, Chapman, Cornetta, Rose. **Nays:** None. Motion Passed 4-0.

Assistant City Attorney Elizabeth Sexton-Drake read the Findings and Order for the record.

Cornetta, seconded, Chapman, moved to approve the Findings and Order as read.

E6 1st Appearance -Tobacco Violation - Locco LLC, dba: Loco Wines and Liquor, 125 S. Santa Fe.

Mebrat Fitwi - Owner

Mr. Cornetta swore in Ms. Fitwi.

Cornetta, seconded by Cartagena, moved to find the probable cause for a Tobacco Violation at Loco Wines and Spirits.

Roll Call - **Ayes:** None. **Nays:** Cartagena, Chapman, Cornetta, Rose. Motion Failed 0-4.

E7 Hearing - Gambling - Show Cause Hearing - Stop & Go, 1103 N. Elizabeth Street, Owner: Jayeshkumar Gohil.

The applicant failed to appear for this Show Cause hearing.

Assistant City Attorney Elizabeth Sexton-Drake informed the board that the liquor license and business license had expired, and no renewal had been filed.

Cornetta, seconded by Rose, moved to approve the Show Cause Hearing for Stop and Go, 1103 N. Elizabeth Street.

Roll Call - **Ayes:** None. **Nays:** Cartagena, Chapman, Cornetta, Rose. Motion Failed 0-4.

F. ADJOURN

Mr. Cornetta adjourned the meeting at 6:41pm.