

Minutes of Committee
Monday, March 12, 2012
7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

- 1) Liquor License Request – Edelweiss Market
- 2) City Center Parking Update
- 3) Fairfield Avenue and Vallette Street Stop Sign Request
- 4) Discussion: Berteau Neighborhood Traffic Control
- 5) Public Comments
- 6) Other Business

Committee: Wagner, Bram, Pezza

Elected Officials: Spencer, York

Staff: Kveton, Panico, Bacidore, Wallace, Tiberi, Storino

Guests: Regan Cronin, Thomas Cronin, John Quigly, Tom Paravola, press

Item #1 Liquor License Request – Edelweiss Market

Thomas Cronin discussed his Edelweiss Market business plan and that this will operate much the same as the Good Earth Market but it would be on a smaller scale. They will be taking the successes from the Good Earth and creating Edelweiss Market. Wagner questioned the use of the second half of the building that is up for lease. One possible tenant that has shown interest is a Gymboree type of organization. This would be a problem for the Committee per Wagner. Cronin answered this concern giving examples of other establishments in town that serve alcohol, that are either next door or very near businesses that are oriented for children. Cronin also stated that there are other clients that have shown interest in the building for lease. Quigley made comments expressing his feelings on any delay in approving this report. Concerns were answered by Storino. A request was made by the Committee for a diagram from Cronin to give more details of the separation between the two tenants.

Item #2 City Center Parking Update

Wagner asked Paravola for an update on the City Center Parking. He explained some of the updates for time parking and some adjustments that could be made including adjustments for employees. Future examination of parking may be needed once parking on Addison changes with the new parking areas that will be created.

Item #3 Fairfield Avenue and Vallette Street Stop Sign Request

Wagner inquired of Tiberi of any changes in recommendations. The only change was a recommendation for a sign designating “Cross Traffic Does Not Stop”. All counts and speed reports were updated. Use of the pole mounted speed sign will be implemented.

Item #4 Discussion: Berteau Neighborhood Traffic Control

York discussed a conversation with a resident who was selling a house in the area and a potential buyer made a comment that there was no street parking available. Wagner suggested residents using hospital parking. Wagner inquired of Bacidore if streets in the area like Pine Street are wide enough for parking. Tiberi would be doing research on the streets in the area for street design and signage. This report will be brought back to the Committee when it is complete.

Item #5 Public Comments

None

Item #6 Other Business

None

The Committee was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Submitted by James Kveton, Deputy Chief of Police