

**ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED
AT THE CAUCUS PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2025
7:00 P.M.**

I. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

III. DISCUSSION:

1. DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR CONTROL- CLEVELAND DOGHOUSE LLC.
13425 SNOW RD, BROOK PARK, OH 44142, C NEW 1544373
POSTMARK DATE: 2/13/2025. -PER COUNCIL PRESIDENT SALVATORE.

2. APPOINTMENTS: COUNCIL'S TWO APPOINTMENTS TO THE HOUSING
COUNCIL. -PER COUNCIL PRESIDENT SALVATORE.

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

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The meeting was called to order by Council President Salvatore at 7:00 p.m., the assistant clerk called the roll and the following Members of Council answered:

TROYER, ROBERTS, DUFOUR, POINDEXTER, MENCINI, McCORKLE, SCOTT

Also in attendance were Mayor Orcutt, Law Director Horvath, Finance Director McGann and Service Director Beyer.

DISCUSSION:

1. DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR CONTROL - CLEVELAND DOGHOUSE, LLC, 13425 SNOW ROAD, BROOK PARK, OH 44142. C NEW 1544373. Postmark Date: 2/13/2025.

Madam Horvath stated after due diligence see no reason to deny this request; will be a new beneficial business to the city.

Mr. Mencini stated visited their other location in Brunswick for lunch and was impressed with the entire operation of the business. Would have been nice to have a representative in attendance at a meeting (of Council) to know the proprietor.

Mr. Dufour concurred with Mr. Mencini great business and food and stated excited to welcome them to the community, good fit for the city. In regards with the approval process the legislative authority can only deny a request due to criminal history or oversaturation of taverns. One question is with the potential of the domed stadium coming to the city and with the speculative applications for obtaining a liquor permit. Can a person obtaining the license permit just sit on it, without use? And, if that does happen can that possibly be prevented in the future?

Madam Horvath responded anything is possible with people trying to pull a liquor license and sell it at a later date, for profit. The only way to prevent that from occurring is for city personnel to do due diligence. Checking things out to make sure it is a viable business proposition and if something looks out of sorts then the city slows down to make sure that is not the case. With this business the people running this business will do the same as the location visited in Brunswick. Reiterated seeing no reason to hold this liquor permit up and hope they will appear before Council at a later date.

Mayor Orcutt commented appreciate the Councilmen visiting the other location and stated this business owner has owned many businesses i.e. a printing shop for over 40 years, before getting into the restaurant business. This business is also known for county ice cream so this business will also be run as an ice cream shop. The

Discussion: cont.

proprietor will be coming to the Planning Commission for request of outside seating.

Mr. Troyer stated agree with the possible future development coming to the city have to be careful and check on everything, coming to the city. Mr. Troyer asked for clarification of what building this business will be located.

Mayor Orcutt responded former Cleveland Grocer location (13425 Snow Road).

Mr. Troyer continued by asking what type of permit is C, is that on premises only?

Madam Horvath responded per the Ohio Revised Code that would be listed on premise and carry-out.

Mr. Troyer stated if this permit gives the ability for carry-out, think that should be looked at.

Madam Horvath stated to Mr. Troyer are you saying that you feel this particular liquor license under the criteria of the Ohio Revised Code should not be approved?

Mr. Troyer responded I'm saying I don't know what the intent is for this business. If it is going to be a bar (tavern) shouldn't have carry-out because the city already has establishments for carry-out. If this is going to be a bar with carry-out that is a different animal and may want to reconsider.

Madam Horvath interjected by saying honestly, think you heading down a slippery slope, People have certain rights to engage in business and would hesitate to deviate from not granting someone a liquor permit, due to not being sure it is a bar or what type of business.

Mr. Troyer interjected believe it would be separate licenses; there is an alcohol license and there is a carry-out license and there is no definition of what it is.

Madam Horvath responded says application stated New D5-I, so there may be some carry-out associated.

Mr. Troyer requested for the future Council may have more information with definitions.

Mr. Mencini stated Brook Park welcomes any businesses to Brook Park and people put a lot of time and money into that business; reiterated would be nice to meet the business owner.

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Mr. Troyer stated will be awesome to have that building occupied.

Motion by Mr. Poindexter, supported by Mr. Dufour - discussed.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Poindexter, Dufour, Roberts, Troyer, Scott, McCorkle, Mencini

NAYS: Unanimous.

2. APPOINTMENTS: COUNCIL'S TWO APPOINTMENTS TO THE HOUSING COUNCIL.

Mr. Salvatore stated two (2) appointments from City Council are needed to serve on the Housing Council. Recommended Councilmembers' Mencini and McCorkle.

Motion by Mr. Dufour, supported by Mr. Roberts, to accept recommendation of Councilmembers' Mencini and McCorkle.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Dufour, Roberts, Troyer, Poindexter, Mencini, McCorkle, Scott

NAYS: Unanimous.

There being no further business to come before this meeting a **motion** by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. McCorkle, to adjourn.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, McCorkle, Scott, Troyer, Roberts, Dufour, Poindexter

NAYS: Unanimous.

Council President Salvatore declared this meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED Carol Johnson
Carol Johnson
Clerk of Council

APPROVED March 4, 2025

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