

ZONING, PLANNING & ORDINANCE COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 1, 2004 - 6:30 P.M.

Co-Chairman Berg called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. Committee members present were Aldermen Dikun, Nolan and Berg. Chairman Hay was absent. Also present were Aldermen Hinterlong and Marzahl, City Clerk Wells, City Administrator Nelson and members of the audience.

BANQUET HALL LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

The Committee reviewed the proposed ordinance drafted in accordance with the Ordinance Committee's recommendations as approved by the City Council. Linda Zielinski, 200 S. Eastman St. addressed the Committee with respect to the situation at Rainbow Banquet Hall over the last few weekends. Complaints were filed with the Police Department for excessive noise and citations were issued to the individuals making noise. Administrator Nelson noted that the proposed ordinance will make the property owner accountable. Linda related that they also witnessed an individual defecating just outside the banquet hall doorway. The Committee discussed license fee and security deposit requirements. Administrator Nelson recommended:

1. new license holders be subject to a background check, with a non-refundable fee of \$500
2. the banquet hall license fee match the existing liquor license fee for banquet halls
3. a security deposit be maintained in the amount of \$500

Moved by Dikun, seconded by Nolan to recommend to the City Council that the proposed ordinance, with typographical errors corrected, be amended to include Administrator Nelson's recommendation to include the one-time background check with a non-refundable fee of \$500, an annual license fee to match the existing liquor license fee for banquet halls and maintaining a \$500 security deposit. Further that the City Council expedite the approval of an ordinance at the next City Council meeting. After further discussion, Alderman Dikun amended his motion to include that if the security deposit falls below \$500, the owner would be notified to replenish the security deposit to \$500 within 30 days or before the banquet hall's next event, whichever comes first. Roll call vote: Dikun, aye; Nolan, aye and Berg, aye. Motion approved three to zero.

At 6:45 p.m., moved by Dikun, seconded by Nolan to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by:
Co-Chairman Joel Berg