



# City of Memphis

## Alcohol Commission Minutes

### October 7, 2015

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- I. Call to Order** – The regularly scheduled meeting of the Memphis Alcohol Commission was called to order by Sergeant-At-Arms Officer Gerald Lake at approximately 9:30 a.m.
- II. Roll Call** - The following Commissioners were present: Jared Johnson, Barry Chase, Sherman Greer, Erma Hayslett, and Johnsie Wallace. Commissioners Billy Post, Eugene Bryant, Africa Gonzalez-McCloy and Wayne West were absent.
- III. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting** - The minutes of the previous meeting were distributed electronically prior to this meeting. *Commissioner Greer motioned approval of the minutes of the September 16, 2015 meeting. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*
- IV. Special Beer Applicant(s):**
1. Paul Stephens – 198 Dr. MLK – “**Station Three**”  
Date(s): **October 30-November 29, 2015** – Time: **10:00 a.m. – 2:00 a.m.**  
**Sunday(s): 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 a.m.**  
Sponsoring Organization: **Firehouse Revival, LLC**  
Purpose of funds: **Profit; 2 booth(s)**  
**No Show**
  2. Barbara Culligan – Shelby Farms – “**Memphis Outdoor Festival**”  
Date(s): **October 17-18, 2015** – Time: **8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
**Sunday(s): 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
Sponsoring Organization: **Project Tanline**  
Purpose of funds: **Profit; 5 booth(s)**  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws,  
*Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*
  3. Felix Cordova – 2571 Broad - “**Southern Salsa Festival**”  
Date(s): **October 11, 2015** – Time: **12:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
Sponsoring Organization: **Citizens Against Unfair Financial Practices**  
Purpose of funds: **Charitable & Profit; 3 booth(s)**  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws,  
*Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*

4. William Berry – 6865 Poplar Pike - **“Oktoberfest”**  
Date(s): **October 24, 2015** – Time: **5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
Sponsoring Organization: **Lord od Life Lutheran Church**  
Purpose of funds: **Charitable; 1 booth(s)**  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws,  
*Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*
5. Holly Guthrie – 1930 Poplar – **“Art of Darkness, Memphis College of Art Fundraiser”**  
Date(s): **October 31, 2015** – Time: **8:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.**  
Sponsoring Organization: **Star Distributors & Ghost River Brewing Co. (Boscós)**  
Purpose of funds: **Charitable; 1 booth(s)**  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws,  
*Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*
6. Kasey Hayes – 145 Lt. George W. Lee – **“The Blues Ball”**  
Date(s): **October 24, 2015** – Time: **6:30 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.**  
Sponsoring Organization: **Memphis Charitable Foundation**  
Purpose of funds: **Charitable; 4 booth(s)**  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws,  
*Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*
7. Shayne Rachels - 1588 Madison (Renaissance) – **“The Mystic Krewe of Pegasus Halloween Party”**  
Date(s): **October 31, 2015** – Time: **9:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.**  
Sponsoring Organization: **The Mystic Krewe of Pegasus Memphis**  
Purpose of funds: **Charitable; 1 booth(s)**  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws,  
*Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*
8. Mary McFarlen (Marlin) – 3050 Central (Memphis Pink Palace Museum) – **“Science of Beer”**  
Date(s): **January 15, 2016** – Time: **6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**  
Sponsoring Organization: **Pink Palace Museum**  
Purpose of funds: **Charitable; 15-20 booth(s)**  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws,  
*Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*
9. Julie Craig – 2000 N. Parkway (Crain Field) – **“Rhodes College Home Football Games”**  
Date(s): **October 16, 2015 – November 15, 2015** – Time: **12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (10/17/15); 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (10/24/15); 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (11/14/15)**  
Sponsoring Organization: **Aramark**  
Purpose of funds: **Profit; 1 booth(s)**  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws,  
*Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*

10. David Branch – 3050 Central (Memphis Pink Palace Museum) – “4<sup>th</sup> Annual Boo Ball”  
Date(s): **October 23, 2015** – Time: **7:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.**  
Sponsoring Organization: **Memphis Museums, Inc.**  
Purpose of funds: **Charitable; 2 booth(s)**  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws,  
*Commissioner Greer moved approval on the contingent that he brings in background check.*  
*Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*

V. **Violation(s):**

**The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C-5, D-4 WITH priors:**

11. Rafael Ramirez – 7935 Winchester – Happy Mexican-Winchester, LLC - dba –  
**“Happy Mexican Restaurant” – Citation #M-095541**  
Date of Violation: **Thursday, June 18, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 09-21-2011  
**Prior Violation(s): 01-22-2013 (D-2)**  
Officer(s): Reed #2007, Sturgeon #5434  
The owner stipulated to the charges. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$750.00 plus a 60 day probation or 30 day suspension of the permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.
12. Ramakrishm Chede – 4150 Millbranch – Lakshmi Durga C Stores - dba – **“Rain Food & Fuel” – Citation #780328**  
Date of Violation: **Saturday, July 11, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 02-04-2015  
**Prior Violation(s): 01-26-2015 (C-1)**  
Officer(s): Johnson #2884, Ward #0502, O’Brien #10126  
**The owner requested to be continued because he will be out of the country for three weeks due to the passing of his mother.** *Commissioner Greer moved to continue this location until the November 4, 2015. Commissioner Wallace seconded. The motion passed.*
13. Circle K Stores, Inc. – 1725 N. Germantown Pkwy. - dba – **“Circle K #9814– Citation(s) #M-081458 & #OS-367724**  
Date of Violation: **Tuesday, June 9, 2015 (C-5)**  
**Thursday, June 25, 2015 (C-4)**  
Date Permit Approved: 12-06-2006  
**Prior Violation(s): 02-01-2012 (C-5)**  
Officer(s): Stillwell #5433, Ward #0502, Galison #3156  
The district manager, Katherine James, stipulated to the charges. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$1,050.00 plus a 60 day probation or 30 day suspension of the permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

14. Ramiz Alkifi – 2209 Eldridge - dba – “A & H Grocery” – Citation #C-33034  
Date of Violation: **Saturday, August 8, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 12-03-2014  
**Prior Violation(s): 03-17-2015 (C-1)**  
Officer(s): Stepney #1348, Richardson #1326  
The owner stipulated to the charges. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$950.00 plus a 60 day probation or 30 day suspension of the permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

**The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C-5 WITH priors:**

15. Circle K Stores, Inc. – 601 N. Germantown Pkwy - dba – “Circle K #1466–  
**Citation(s) #M-081460**  
Date of Violation: **Tuesday, June 9, 2015 (C-5)**  
Date Permit Approved: 12-06-2006  
**Prior Violation(s): 06-18-2013 (C-5); 02-18-2014 (C-5)**  
Officer(s): Stillwell #5433, Ward #0502, Galison #3156  
The district manager, Katherine James, stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner Chase moved to revoke the Off Premise Beer Permit as there has been three major violations of selling beer to minors within a two year period based on our ordinance. Commissioner Hayslett seconded. The motion passed.* The district manager agreed to the revocation.
16. Circle K Stores, Inc. – 1205 N. Germantown Pkwy - dba – “Circle K #9805–  
**Citation(s) #M-081459**  
Date of Violation: **Tuesday, June 9, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 12-06-2006  
**Prior Violation(s): 07-10-2012 (C-5)**  
Officer(s): Stillwell #5433  
The district manager, Katherine James, stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$750.00 plus a 60 day probation or 30 day suspension of the permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The district manager agreed to the fine and probation.
17. Circle K Stores, Inc. – 585 S. Highland - dba – “Circle K #8840–  
**Citation(s) #780535**  
Date of Violation: **Wednesday, August 5, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 12-06-2006  
**Prior Violation(s): 08-12-2014 (C-5)**  
Officer(s): Stillwell #5433  
The district manager, Jennifer Taylor, stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$750.00 plus a 60 day probation or 30 day suspension of the permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The district manager agreed to the fine and probation.

18. Owda Khmous – 11417 Hwy 64 - dba – “Z Market” – Citation #780408  
Date of Violation: **Thursday, June 25, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 06-18-2008  
**Prior Violation(s): 04-13-2013 (D-4); 08-11-2014 (C-5, D-4)**  
Officer(s): Moore #10882, Ward #0502, Galison #3156  
**Per Attorney McGhee wants this to be continued to the November 4, 2015 Alcohol Commission meeting. Commissioner Greer moved to continue this location until the November 4, 2015 meeting. Commissioner Wallace seconded. The motion passed.**
19. Savings Oil Company, Inc. – 5192 S. Third - dba – “Dodge’s Store” – Citation #M-064775  
Date of Violation: **Tuesday, April 21, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 08-1978  
**Prior Violation(s): 12-07-2012 (C-4)**  
Officer(s): Williams #9496, Boga #9154  
The manager, Mr. Bradley, stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$750.00 plus a 60 day probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The manager agreed to the fine and probation.

**The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C-4 WITH priors:**

20. Habtamu Moges – 704 Waring - dba – “Smile Mart” – Citation #C-335476  
Date of Violation: **Friday, August 7, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 05-21-2014  
**Prior Violation(s): 07-22-2014 (C-5)**  
Officer(s): Ward #0502, Galison #3156  
The owner stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$200.00 plus a 60 day probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

**The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C-4, C-5, D-4 NO priors:**

21. Circle K Stores, Inc. –1685 Union - dba – “Circle K #9618 – Citation #780346 & #C-335484  
Date of Violation: **Friday, August 21, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 12-06-2006  
Officer(s): Richardson #1326, Ward #0502, Lake #1783  
The district manager, Jennifer Taylor, stipulated to the charges. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$600.00 plus a 60 day probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The district manager agreed to the fine and probation.

**The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C-5 NO priors:**

22. Circle K Stores, Inc. –7195 Winchester - dba – “Circle K #3200 – Citation #780340  
Date of Violation: **Friday, July 31, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 12-06-2006  
Officer(s): Richardson #1326, Ward #0502, Johnson #10600  
The district manager, Jennifer Taylor, stipulated to the charges. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$500.00 plus a 60 day probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The district manager agreed to the fine and probation.
23. Circle K Stores, Inc. – 8000 Winchester - dba – “Circle K #3255 – Citation #M-095860  
Date of Violation: **Thursday, June 18, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 12-06-2006  
Officer(s): Boga #9154, Pearce #4599  
The district manager, Katherine James, stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$500.00 plus a 60 day probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The district manager agreed to the fine and probation.
24. Hisham Muthanna – 5125 Yale - dba – “Yale Tobacco Discount” – Citation - #M-087704  
Date of Violation: **Tuesday, May 12, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 10-01-2014  
Officer(s): Boga #9154, Turner #4499  
The owner stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$500.00 plus a 60 day probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.
25. Nawazali A. Virji – 800 E H Crump - dba – “Crump Gas Food Mart Inc.” –  
**Citation #71088**  
Date of Violation: **Thursday, July 23, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 03-04-2015  
Officer(s): Richardson #1368, Ward #0502, Galison #3156  
The owner stipulated to the charges. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$500.00 plus a 60 day probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

**The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C-4, C-5 NO priors:**

26. Fatum Abdalla – 367 Tillman - dba – “Done Grocery” – Citation #C-335477 & #C-324584  
Date of Violation: **Friday, August 7, 2015 (C-4)**  
**Wednesday, September 16, 2015 (C-5)**  
Date Permit Approved: 11-19-2014  
Officer(s): Ward #0502, Galison #3156, Dugger #11385, Moore #11882  
The owner stipulated to the charges. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$850.00 plus a 60 day probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

**The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C-4, C-6, C-7 NO priors:**

27. Ivan Cedron – 322 S. Cleveland - dba – “Printer’s Alley” – Citation #C-329142, #C-335402 & #780520  
Date of Violation: **Sunday, June 21, 2015 (C-4, C-6, C-7)**  
**Sunday, August 9, 2015 (C-4, C-6, C-7)**  
Date Permit Approved: 01-20-1998  
Officer(s): Martini #12088, Holmes #12128, Gant #11468, Stepney #1348, Richardson #1326  
The owner stipulated to the charges. *Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$1,550.00 plus a 60 day probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.

**The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C-4, C-6, C-7 NO priors:**

28. Steve Cooper – 777 N. White Station – 777 Memphis, Inc. - dba – “The Gold Club” – Citation(s) - #1506013405ME  
Date of Violation: **Sunday, June 21, 2015**  
Date Permit Approved: 08-05-1992  
Officer(s): Cope #11770, Moffatt #0218  
Attorney Frazier stipulated to the charges. On the testimony of Officer Cope, she failed to notice if beer was being sold between the hours of 3:00 a.m. through 7:00 a.m. *On that note, Commissioner Greer motion to drop the C-6 violation. Commissioner Chase seconded. Commissioner Hayslett moved to fine the location \$100.00 plus a 60 day probation or a 30 day suspension of their permit. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.* Attorney Frazier agreed to the fine and probation.

**The following person(s) has applied to sell beer for “ON” premises consumption:**

29. Samir Restrepo & Carlos Ruiz – 665 Avon - El Sabor Latino, LLC - dba – “El Sabor Latino”  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Chase moved approval. Commissioner Greer seconded. The motion passed.*
30. Jonathan Williams – 3076 Kirby Parkway – CY Hospitality, Inc. – dba – “Courtyard by Marriott”  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Chase moved approval. Commissioner Hayslett seconded. The motion passed.*
31. Stephanie Capps – 6102 Macon – Diamond Entertainment Group, Inc. – dba – “Purple Diamond”  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*
32. Richard Corley – 3445 Poplar, Ste. 1 – Rock’ N Dough Pizza Company, LLC – dba – “Rock’ N Dough Pizza & Brew Company”  
This location has been put on every agenda starting from the August 5<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. He has stated that he would have their UNO and Certificate of Registration for every meeting but has failed to bring those documents. *On that note, Commissioner Greer moved to continue this location until further notice. Commissioner Hayslett seconded. The motion passed.*

33. Brice Bailey & William Ogels – 4615 Poplar, Ste. 1 – Staks, LLC – dba – “Staks”  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*

**VII. The following person(s) has applied to sell beer for “OFF” premises consumption:**

34. Aman Devji – 1758 N. Graham – Graham Convenience, LLC - dba – “Graham Food Mart”  
This location didn’t run their ad.  
**On that note, Commissioner Greer moved to continue this location until the October 17, 2015 meeting. Commissioner Wallace seconded. The motion passed.**
35. Rizwan Aslam – 1234 Lamar – MMZR, Inc. - dba – “Valero Mart”  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Greer moved approval on the contingent that he provides the value of his inventory to the Permits Office. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*
36. Ericka Smith – 387 S. Main – 387 Pantry, LLC - dba – “387 Pantry”  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*
37. Sadek Al-Flahe – 4514 Millbranch – Monte’s Mart, Inc. - dba – “Monte’s Mart”  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*
38. Faisal Gohab – 1671 S. Third – King Grocery, Inc. – dba – “King Grocery”  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*
39. Joy Smith – 4626 Winchester – dba – “The Beverage Center”  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Greer moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*

**VIII. Liquor Store(s):  
*Grandfathered***

40. Shilpa Patel – 2821 N. Houston Levee, Ste. 105 – Sahjanand, Inc. - dba –  
“Five Star Liquor & Wine”  
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Greer moved approval for recommendation to the Mayor and the Mayor recommends to the State. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*

**IX. New Business:**

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**XI. Adjournment:**

There being no further business to come before the commission, Commissioner Chase moved for adjournment at approximately 11:36 a.m. Commissioner Wallace seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

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Jared Johnson, Co-Chairman

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Date

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Aubrey J. Howard, Executive Secretary

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Date