HEARINGS



CONDUCTED BY THE

MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Thursday, May 31, 2012 Southfield District OfficePresent: Andrew J. Deloney, Chairman Teri L. Quimby, Commissioner

Chairman Deloney called the hearings to order at 10:20 a.m., noting a quorum was present.

- 1. Moved by Commissioner Quimby, supported by Chairman Deloney, to approve the Southfield Appeal Hearing minutes from May 24, 2012, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- 2. Glow Dance & Entertainment Inc., 211 W. Congress, Suite 340, Detroit, Wayne County Request ID# 630667

The church hearing was conducted for Glow Dance & Entertainment Inc., Request ID# 630667. Linda Pytel McDowell appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office, Attorney Kelly Allen, and shareholder Gregory Morris, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Ms. Pytel McDowell offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Chairman Deloney made a motion, supported by Commission Quimby, that

- 1. The findings of the Commission are as follows:
 - That Glow Dance and Entertainment, Inc. did file a request to transfer location of a 2011 Class C license with Sunday sales permit (PM), specific purpose permit for food, approval of one direct connection, and cancel the existing direct connection,
 - That Central United Methodist Church did properly file an objection to the proposed transfer to the Commission under MCL 436.1503 and administrative rule R 436.1955, and
 - In this hearing on the basis of the objection of Central United Methodist Church, the Commission, under administrative rule R 436.1959,

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> determined that the applicant had the burden of proceeding and had to show by competent, material and substantial evidence that a waiver of MCL 436.1503 would NOT adversely impact the operation of the objecting church, and

- The applicant and the objecting church presented witnesses at the hearing for the purposes of providing testimony at the hearing, and
- The witnesses appearing on behalf of the objecting church offered compelling testimony regarding significant violence and dangerous activity that has occurred at the proposed location, and
- The witnesses appearing on behalf of the objecting church offered compelling testimony that they have significant questions on who controls the property, to whom rent would be paid, and what role certain individuals would have in the operation and control of the establishment, and
- While the burden of proceeding was with the applicant, the witnesses appearing on behalf of the objecting church offered compelling testimony that the approval of a liquor license at this location would negatively affect the operations of the church, and
- 2. That the Commission concludes that the applicant has NOT shown by competent, material and substantial evidence that a waiver of MCL 436.1503 would NOT adversely impact the operation of the objecting church.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Quimby, supported by Chairman Deloney, that the Appeal Hearings be adjourned at 10:25 a.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Andrew J. Deloney Chairman

Celine Marley Rutkowski Executive Services Division