

Ordinances & Rules Committee
Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2023

Chairwoman Harris called the meeting to order at 10:29 p.m.

Present: Councillors Dunn, Harris, LeBlanc, McLaughlin and O'Brien.

Absent: None.

Councillor McLaughlin moved approval of the minutes from 2/21/2023. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

First agenda item: Municipal; Trash at Wellington Crossing Resolution

Councillor Darcy, creator of the Resolution spoke on the Resolution. In their special permit it states that if there is private trash there are specific rules but it does not state in their permit that it has to be private trash pickup. Councillor Darcy submitted the special permit to the Committee. Councillor McLaughlin spoke on the Resolution and made a request to have Mr. Chiasson submit the list of properties in the City that do not use trash pick. The Councillor believed Mr. Chiasson had submitted something like this before on another matter. Councillor LeBlanc asked for a friendly amendment to have Mr. Chiasson attend the next Committee meeting. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the Resolution. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Second agenda item: Tattoo Resolution

Councillor McLaughlin moved to send the Resolution to the law Department to opine on the Resolution. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the Resolution. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Third agenda item: Veggie Crust Special Permit application at 10-14 Warren Street

Attorney Joe Connors, representing the petitioner, spoke on the last submission he made regarding the hours of operation, exterminating schedule and dumpster removal. Councillor McLaughlin moved to accept a late filed communication from the petitioner. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor McLaughlin and the petitioner about the special permit. Attorney Connors stated this is a special permit. It is non transferrable. They are limited to the square footage in the plans of their application and would need a modification if they wanted to take over other areas of the building where this pizza shop is located. Councillor McLaughlin moved to send the application to the Law Department to opine and review. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor McLaughlin moved to take the Waltham Cannabis Special Permit application off of the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor LeBlanc recused himself. Chairwoman Harris gave an update on the status of this application. Attorney Connors spoke on the matter and noted Assistant Solicitor Azadi had two edit he would make not of for next time; a curb cut and detail length for a month. Councillor McLaughlin moved to accept a late field communication from Attorney Connors about some comments from the City Engineer. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor Dunn commented on page twelve on the order from December 2022. Item H; the hours of operation do not match up. Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor McLaughlin moved to take the Veggie Crust Special Permit application off of the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. The Councillor asked about the hours of operation in the order state 7:00 a.m.- 10:00 p.m. and Sundays open at 8:00 a.m. Councillor McLaughlin was asking for a neighbor that wanted to know why so early. Attorney Connors stated for the petitioner said he would not be open at that time. He would open for lunch. Councillor LeBlanc asked about the square footage in the traffic study. It is listed as 900 sq. ft. but floor plan was 746 sq. ft. He asked about the dumpster information and if they could put the schedule of the dumpster/trash pickup in the order. Attorney Connors obliged. Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor LeBlanc moved to take the Zoning Review Resolution off of the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor LeBlanc made a request that was approved by a voice vote to ask the Law Department to opine and draft the ordinance amendments. Councillor LeBlanc moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor McLaughlin rose to a point of information relating to the solar farm being rescheduled until a later date than the March 15th date.

Councillor O'Brien moved to adjourn. The motion was approved on a voice vote and Chairwoman Harris declared the meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kara Wilson, Assistant City Clerk
March 15, 2023