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Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 45:25

Takes us back to information items, and we do have a couple of alcohol license violation convictions. Chief Olson is here. There are two different violations with two different establishments for each one. So, we'll start with no licensed operator at two establishments, Lindo Michoacan. Okay. And Walgreens. Anything from APD on these two? Okay. And then we have selling alcohol to a minor at Foxtrot Saloon and Stucs Pizza. Alder Hartzheim.

Alderperson Sheri Hartzheim (District 13) 46:04

Thank you, Chair. May I ask Clerk Lynch a question?

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 46:06

You may.

Alderperson Sheri Hartzheim (District 13) 46:07

These then come with demerit points, correct?

Clerk Kami Lynch 46:12

Yes. So just we—I think we've got a little out of order with our process with trying to get some of these through, because AP—APD does a lot of these, you know, cat checks kind of all around the same time, and then they all go through the court system. Usually—they have, usually, the same court date for a lot of these. So typically, what we like to do is report out and let you guys know that, you know, heads up these will be coming for their appearance. So, they're on here so that you know they've gotten their letters, and they'll come to—since the next S and L meeting is canceled—the July meeting, and that's where the letters will be sent with the—or attached with the total demerit points assessed in the totals per establishment.

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 47:03

And this is, this is the—this is when they are asked to come, but they sometimes don't come.

Clerk Kami Lynch 47:08

Yes, the—yep, for the next one, and there'll be—

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 47:11

Right.

Clerk Kami Lynch 47:12

Just so you know, there's quite a few, so they'll probably have to be staggered over the course of the summer meeting.

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 47:19

All right.

Alderperson Sheri Hartzheim (District 13) 47:19

That's disappointing.

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Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 47:21

Yeah. Hopefully they come and explain what they're going to do to correct the issues that they had. Alder Van Zeeland, go ahead.

Alderperson Katie Van Zeeland (District 5) 47:28

Thank you, Chair. If I could ask Chief Olson if these were a result of the APD checking up on establishments, or if they just came from other avenues?

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 47:40

Think the answer is yes, but we'll let the chief answer. Which microphone do you have? District two? Go ahead.

Police Chief Polly Olson 47:47

Yes. It's my understanding that these are the result of the license premise checks that we do regularly.

Alderperson Katie Van Zeeland (District 5) 47:53

Okay, thank you.

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 47:55

All right. Anything else? Not seeing anything.

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 47:58

Okay, we'll skip the update because we already had it. And then there's a list of special events. It's clearly summertime with all these events going on, and, of course, Flag Day Parade this Saturday, two o'clock?

Alderperson Sheri Hartzheim (District 13) 48:02

2pm is the step off.

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 48:07

2pm. Hopefully the weather is good.

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 48:14

All right, that takes us to directors reports. We do have one item listed under the city clerk, and it's an update to our special event policy. Clerk Lynch?

Clerk Kami Lynch 48:24

Thank you. Given that we're about halfway through the year with our new special events policy, just wanted to provide a little update with how that's going. I think we were able to touch on it a little bit at our last meeting with having our—that was our first automatic denial per the policy now that we require the 45-day submittal prior to the event. And other than that, it's been going incredibly well.

Clerk Kami Lynch 48:52

The 45 days allows for adequate staff review. And since we know when a lot of these events are, we are following up with applicants and organizers, reminding them of the new requirements and to get their applications in, and everyone's been really responsive to that.

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Clerk Kami Lynch 49:13

I would say the only negative feedback that we've received so far is that the application is longer. We're asking for more information, but as this is the first go around, I think it'll be easier going forward. But we are addressing some of those items that I think haven't been thought about or discussed in detail, related to, like, safety measures primarily.

Clerk Kami Lynch 49:40

But the application fee of just a flat fee of \$75 hasn't been a problem for anyone to file the application. That's basically for the departmental review. And then we are doing the invoicing for our services. So, 25% of city personnel and equipment services that are rendered during the events. So, they're invoiced for that, that—whatever that 25% is after the event. And we're still—I think this is probably the longest list of special events that you've seen on the agenda. So, we're just getting into the season, so we're not seeing—I guess there's not a lot of data on the chargebacks right now, because we give ourselves a little bit of time to make sure that we have all of the numbers for the services, and then we do the invoice, and then there's time to get that paid. So that's just kind of the highlights of where we're at. But if there's any questions on the policy or how things are going, happy to answer them.

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 50:43

Okay, thank you for the update. I'm glad to hear that there's a collaborative of effort to reach out and help with the process. I think we heard from the one late application that they didn't realize how lengthy the new application was, so it took more time to fill it out. But, like you said, as people learn this this is the new way, it'll get better. So, questions, comments from others?

Clerk Kami Lynch 51:07

One thing—sorry—that I forgot to mention, is the service agreements. So that's the—for our events, 10,000 people or more, our super large events (the farmers market, mile of music, Octoberfest, license to cruise), we have entered into service agreements with all of those entities, and then another one for another event, and we're just waiting for signatures on one. But all of those are going well too. So that's basically negotiations on that 25% cost so that it didn't—the new policy didn't hit the large event holders, you know, that much harder. But we've, we have most of them in place, and that actually worked out really well. And we do plan to evaluate what's being used, so still tracking those services and costs, so that once this year is done, it can be reevaluated to see if those service agreements are capturing enough or if there are things being missed.

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 52:08

Okay, thank you. Yes, so more to come on the data front, but will it be—will these negotiate—the results of these negotiations be reported out at some point?

Clerk Kami Lynch 52:20

The—I guess we have the I guess we have the agreements on file right now. So, if that's something—like, copies of the agreements?

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 52:28

I think that was one of the things going into this is, you know, who's going to get this, or who's going to get that based on a negotiation, right? So.

Clerk Kami Lynch 52:37

And most of the baseline for all of the service agreements with the large event holders has been about that 25%, but there might be certain like in-kind contributions for the city that are reflected things that maybe we've done

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at no cost that we're continuing to do. But otherwise it's fairly equitable in terms of the agreements versus smaller events without agreements.

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 53:01

Okay, good. Other questions, comments, all right. Not seeing any.

Alderperson Chris Croatt (District 14) 53:06

There's nothing for police chief, nothing. Fire chief's not here for a German Okay, motion and a second to adjourn. All those in favor signify by saying aye. Aye. All opposed. All right, five zero, we are adjourned.