



Plymouth Liquor License Review Committee Meeting Agenda

Monday, May 3, 2021 6:00 p.m.

City of Plymouth
201 S. Main
Plymouth, Michigan 48170-1637

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Phone 734-453-1234
Fax 734-455-1892

Meeting will be held online via Zoom

Join meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87281438522> Webinar ID: 872 8143 8522 Passcode: 906991

Statement on explanation of the reason why the public body is meeting electronically:

On March 10, 2020 the Governor of the State of Michigan declared a State of emergency across the State of Michigan under section 1 of Article 5 of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, the Emergency Management Act, 1976 PA 390, as amended, MCL 30.401 – 421, and the Emergency Powers of the Governor Act of 1945, 1945 PA302, as amended, MCL 10.31 – 33. These sections provide the Governor with broad powers and duties to cope with dangers to this state or to the people of the state.

As a part of the response to the emergency, the Governor has deemed it reasonable and necessary to temporarily suspend rules and procedures relating to physical presence at meetings and hearings of public bodies and other governmental entities in Michigan. These public bodies and entities must continue to conduct public business during this emergency. Due to the emergency situation and the request of the Governor to not gather in groups of 10 or more it is necessary for some public boards to meet electronically.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
 - a. Roll Call
2. **CITIZENS COMMENTS**
3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 9-8-2020**
5. **COMMISSION COMMENTS**
6. **OLD BUSINESS**
7. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Liquor License Transfer for Plymouth ROC on Ann Arbor Rd.
8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Citizen Comments - This section of the agenda allows up to 3 minutes to present information or raise issues for items not on the agenda. Upon arising to address the Commission, speakers should first identify themselves by clearly stating their name and address. Comments must be limited to the subject of the item.

Persons with disabilities needing assistance with this should contact the City Clerk's office at 734-453-1234 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. An attempt will be made to make reasonable accommodations.

City of Plymouth Strategic Plan 2017-2020

GOAL I - QUALITY OF LIFE

OBJECTIVES

1. Support the neighborhoods with high-quality customer service
2. Engage in collaboration with private entities and surrounding municipalities to implement the [Joint Recreation Master Plan](#)
3. Improve communication with the public across multiple platforms
4. Maintain a high level of cleanliness throughout the City
5. Support and host a diverse variety of events that foster community and placemaking

ONE YEAR TASKS 2020-21

- Liquor/marijuana license review
- Rooftop seating review
- Adopt Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Master Plan and identify funding sources for implementation
- Begin implementation of Kellogg Park Master Plan with fountain replacement
- Establish format & requirements for public parks sponsorship
- Resident education programs on zoning basics, ordinance change and update, services, and recycling
- City webpage - create city-wide F.A.Q. "Index" page and push out link
- Increase social media presence – 1k new followers/subscribers/etc.
- Review and evaluate City truck routes
- Complete update to Special Events Policy

GOAL II - FINANCIAL STABILITY

OBJECTIVES

1. Approve balanced budgets that maintain fiscal responsibility
2. Advocate for increased revenue sharing with the State of Michigan
3. Encourage and engage in partnerships, both public and private, to share costs of services and equipment
4. Address the issue of legacy costs
5. Seek out and implement efficient and effective inter-departmental collaboration
6. Market our successes to attract new economic and investment opportunities

ONE YEAR TASKS 2020-21

- Actively promote and participate in the 2020 census
- Explore internal and external supplemental funding of legacy costs
- Target revenue enhancements for large-scale capital projects, including grants and millage
- Assist the Michigan Municipal League (MML) in facilitating and increasing support for state revenue sharing initiatives
- Redesign Capital Improvement Plan and evaluate future funding process for Equipment Fund
- Create a rate card for payment in lieu of paid parking
- Develop financial plan for public safety model
- Identify cost estimates, timeframe and potential funding sources for central parking deck
- Complete road bond sale – phase one

GOAL III - ECONOMIC VITALITY

OBJECTIVES

1. Continue to support and improve active, vibrant downtown branding
2. Support community and economic development projects and initiatives
3. Support a mix of industrial, commercial and residential development
4. Reference the [Master Plan](#) in economic decision-making

ONE YEAR TASKS 2020-21

- Continued administration of development projects and proposals including Wilcox Mill, Saxton's, Pulte, Starkweather School, Lumber Mart, and various residential builds
- Branding – consistency across all communications (email, letterhead, agenda)
- Provide annual process and risk-management training to all boards and commissions
- Continue implementing Redevelopment Ready Community (RRC) plan to achieve certification
- Develop list of transitional properties and utilize Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC), Wayne County, others to market
- Explore marketing partnerships (schools, Chamber, hotels, available publications etc.)

GOAL IV - SERVICE AND INFRASTRUCTURE

OBJECTIVES

1. Support administration and staff by providing professional development opportunities, supplying resources, and maintaining a commitment to recruitment, retention and succession planning
2. Support and deliver safe and responsive emergency services
3. Maintain a sophisticated and responsive technology to communicate and manage data
4. Continually record, maintain, update, and improve City infrastructure

ONE YEAR TASKS 2020-21

- Administration to make parking recommendation to City Commission by end of first quarter
- Implement updates to parking system according to direction given by City Commission
- Actively engage employees for further career development for succession planning with special focus on the depth of Cultural Center staffing
- Continue Asset Management Plan
- Review Insurance Services Office (ISO) Report and International City/County Management Association (ICMA) Study & begin meeting to discuss viable options for the future delivery of emergency services
- Approve third version of agreement on sanitary sewer with Western Township Utilities Authority (WTUA) based on delay by Wayne County
- Develop multi-modal transportation policy to City Commission
- Implement 2020 street repairs
- Restore Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) enforcement
- Continue geographic information system (GIS) mapping of the City
- Define process/educate citizenry/pursue adoption/Implement form-based codes



City of Plymouth

LLRC Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 8, 2020 6:00 p.m.-Zoom Meeting

201 S. Main
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Fax 734-455-1892

1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Deal called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

a. Roll Call

PRESENT: City Commission members present: Member Suzi Deal, Member Tony Sebastian, Member Marques Thomey

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Paul Sincock and City Attorney Bob Marzano

2. CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Thomey offered a resolution, seconded by Sebastian, to approve the agenda for September 8, 2020.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Deal, Sebastian, Thomey

MOTION PASSED 3-0

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 3-16-2020

The LLRC meeting minutes for March 16, 2020 were distributed in advance of the meeting. Sebastian offered a resolution, seconded by Thomey, to approve the meeting minutes as presented.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Deal, Sebastian, Thomey

MOTION PASSED 3-0

5. COMMISSION COMMENTS

There were no commission comments.

6. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Barrio – Add Space and Adjust Stockholders

The following resolution was offered by Thomey and seconded by Sebastian.

- WHEREAS The City of Plymouth has a Liquor Management Ordinance which requires licensed establishments to update their operations when they make changes; and
- WHEREAS Barrio Cocina has applied to the State of Michigan for a permanent additional space at their establishment; and
- WHEREAS The City Planning Commission has authorized the use of this additional space and they have applied for the various building permits for the addition; and
- WHEREAS The stockholders have requested to move stock between the current holders of stock; and
- WHEREAS The Local Liquor License Review Commission held a meeting to review this request.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Liquor License Review Committee of the City of Plymouth does hereby recommend that the City Commission accept the updated Operations Plan from Barrio Cocina to include additional space as outlined in their plan and for the transfer of stock between the current owners of the establishment.

Owner Dean Rovinelli described the changes they plan to make to the business.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Deal, Sebastian, Thomey

MOTION PASSED 3-0

b. Penn Grill – Add Space – Outdoor Service Area and Change in Stockholders

- WHEREAS The City of Plymouth has a Liquor Management Ordinance which requires licensed establishments to update their operation plans when they make changes; and
- WHEREAS The Penn Grill has applied to the State of Michigan for a permanent outdoor service area, to be located in the alley between the Penn Grill and what is currently, Kilwins; and
- WHEREAS The ownership of the Penn Grill has requested a stock transfer between the current ownership, by deleting one stockholder and then dividing equally all stock between the remaining two owners; and
- WHEREAS The Local Liquor License Review Board held a meeting to review this request and the City Commission did hold a public hearing to hear comments from the public.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Local Liquor License Review Committee of the City of Plymouth does hereby recommend to that the City Commission accepted an updated operations plan from the Penn Grill to include additional Outdoor Service Area, to be located in the alley between the Penn Grill and what is currently known as Kilwins, as well as changes in the stockholders to delete one stockholder and make adjustments to divide equally the stock between the two remaining owners.

Scott McDonald, an attorney for the Penn Grill described the requested operation plan. Members expressed concern about permanent outdoor seating as well as overcrowding the downtown with tables and chairs.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Sebastian, Thomey

No: Deal

MOTION PASSED 2-0

c. Any Other Business that May Come Before the LLRC

Sincock said there are several violations in the City that are going to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. He also said the Downtown Development Authority is hosting a meeting on September 17 to brainstorm ideas to help businesses after outdoor seating ends on November 1.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Sebastian offered a motion, seconded by Thomey, to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m.
There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Deal, Sebastian Thomey

MOTION PASSED 3-0



LLRC - Administrative Recommendation

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To: Local Liquor License Review Committee
From: Paul J. Sincock, City Manager
CC: *S:\Manager\Sincock Files\Memorandum - LLRC - Liquor License Transfer Plymouth ROC to Straight Family Hospitality 05-03-21.docx*
Date: April 26, 2021
RE: LLRC - Liquor License Transfer for Plymouth ROC on Ann Arbor Rd.

Background

The Local Liquor License Review Committee (LLRC) may have been aware that the Plymouth ROC on Ann Arbor Road has been in discussions for some period of time related to a sale. The new owners have applied for a transfer of a Class C Liquor License from the current ownership group of J&S Hospitality, Inc. to Straight Family Hospitality, Inc. at the same location. They have already applied to the State for the transfer ownership of the license, which includes the Class C, with Sunday Sales permits, Dance – Entertainment permit, Outdoor Service Permit and add a new SDM License.

The new owners have completed all of the necessary documentation with the City. We are familiar with the applicant Frank Yaquinto, who currently owns three other restaurants in the City with a single liquor license. They have indicated that they will be a full-service restaurant offering a full-service bar and kitchen for their customers. At this time the new ownership group is not anticipating any changes to the current operations but will be reviewing the operation for future changes.

There is no change in the City's Liquor License Cap, as this is an existing license in the city, and it is simply being transferred to new ownership. In addition, we have room under the cap to add establishments outside of the DDA. This is a simple transfer of the license within the City and at the same location, there are no "outside" considerations, such as the license cap.

The plan is to provide more of eating establishment than a drinking establishment, as food is a primary focus of the establishment. It should be noted that the hours of operations are regulated by the State of Michigan and locally we cannot do anything to limit those state approved hours. However, I will note that several establishments close well before the State requirement.

The LLRC is meeting prior to the regular City Commission meeting in order to make a recommendation to the City Commission.

RECOMMENDATION:

The LLRC needs to make a recommendation on the transfer of ownership. The City Commission will then take formal action at their regular meeting to open and hold a Public Hearing, as well as make a recommendation to the State Liquor Control Commission.

There are really three options at this point for the LLRC,

- 1) The LLRC could recommend approval of the transfer.
- 2) Recommend against the transfer.
- 3) The LLRC could recommend no action be taken at this time. In any case the State will most likely approve the transfer.

We have prepared a proposed Resolution for the LLRC that would approve the transfer of the existing license and the addition of the new SDM License once the Commission has held the Public hearing.

Should you have any questions in advance of the meeting please feel free to contact either Al Cox or myself.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CITY OF PLYMOUTH CITY COMMISSION WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING IN ACCORDANCE WITH LIQUOR MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT a public hearing shall be held before the City Commission of the City of Plymouth on **Monday, May 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.** at the **meeting of the Plymouth City Commission Electronic Meeting via Zoom.** The Public Hearing will consider the following:

- 1) Application for Transfer of Liquor License from J & S Hospitality, Inc. dba Plymouth ROC to Straight Family Hospitality.**

This is a public meeting, and any interested person is invited to virtually attend via Zoom at the time noted here.

THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF THE LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSE REVIEW COMMITTEE (LLRC) that will take place prior to the Public Hearing, on a date and time to be determined to allow the LLRC to make a recommendation to the City Commission related to this transfer request.

Zoom links for the City Commission Meeting and the LLRC Meeting will be posted on the City's website in the Agenda Center.

Maureen Brodie, CMC
City Clerk

Posted: City Hall
Cultural Center
Public Library



GRETCHEN WHITMER
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
LANSING

ORLENE HAWKS
DIRECTOR

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

Straight Family Hospitality Inc.
C/O Ryan Yaquinto, Applicant
ryan@comparisdining.com

RID # RQ-2103-02067 **Reference/Transaction:** CONDITIONAL LICENSE, TRANSFER OWNERSHIP 2020 CLASS C LICENSE WITH SUNDAY SALES PERMIT (PM), DANCE-ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT, OUTDOOR SERVICE (1 AREA), AND SUNDAY SALES PERMIT (AM) FROM J & S HOSPITALITY INC., NEW SDM LICENSE ISSUED UNDER MCL 436.1533(5)(A), NON-TRANSFERABLE, IN CONJUNCTION

Please let this letter serve as notice the Michigan Liquor Control Commission has referred your application to our Enforcement Division for investigation of your request.

Applicant/Licensee: Straight Family Hospitality Inc.

Business address and phone number: 1020 W Ann Arbor Trl, Plymouth, MI 48170-1502

Home address and phone number of partner(s)/subordinates:

Frank Anthony Yaquinto III, 46609 Arboretum Cir, Plymouth, MI 48170, [REDACTED]

As part of the licensing process, an investigation is required by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission Enforcement Division. The Enforcement investigation will be conducted from the following designated District Office:

Southfield District Office (313) 456-1170

You may contact your designated District Office regarding any appointments or questions on documentation requested by the Investigator. **Failure to provide requested information or to keep scheduled appointments will cause the application to be returned to the Lansing office for cancellation.**

Since this request is a transfer under MCL 436.1529(1), approval of the local unit of government is not required. However, a copy of this notice is also being provided to **Local Governmental Unit** should they wish to submit an opinion on the application or advise of any local non-compliance issues.

Under administrative rule R 436.1105, the Commission shall consider the opinions of the local residents, local legislative body, or local law enforcement agency with regard to the proposed business when determining whether an applicant may be issued a license or permit.

Under administrative rule R 436.1003, the licensee shall comply with all state and local building, plumbing, zoning, sanitation, and health laws, rules, and ordinances as determined by the state and local law enforcements officials who have jurisdiction over the licensee. The licensee must obtain all other required state and local licenses, permits, and approvals before using this license for the sale of alcoholic liquor. Approval of this license by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission does not waive any of these requirements.

MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION
Retail Licensing Division
(866) 813-0011

SR

cc: J & S HOSPITALITY INC.: therocbar1020@gmail.com
PLYMOUTH CITY: cityclerk@ci.plymouth.mi.us

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**CITY OF PLYMOUTH
LIQUOR LICENSE REVIEW COMMITTEE
APPLICATION**

Name of Applicant: FRANK YAQUIMO

Address of Applicant: 46609 ARBORETUM CR
PLYMOUTH MI
48170

Phone Number of Applicant: [REDACTED]

Fax Number of Applicant: 734 416 0277

Email Address of Applicant: INFO@COMPANYS'DINING.COM

Please List Name, Address and type of license as it appears on current Liquor License:

J+S HOSPITALITY INC dba PLYMOUTH ROC
1020 W ANN ARBOR RD PLYMOUTH 48170
CLASS C

List All Persons Listed on Liquor License (Partners):

Please list type of license that you are requesting (new, permit, transfer of ownership, transfer into the City, etc.):

TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP

Please list Name, Address and type of license as it is proposed (If change approved):

STRAIGHT FAMILY HOSPITALITY CLASS C + PERMITS
1020 W ANN ARBOR RD PLY 48170 + SDM

Please list all persons listed on proposed Liquor License (Partners):

FRANK YAQUIMO

Fee Schedule:

Liquor License Investigations	
Class C or Private Club License:	
New license or transfer of ownership	\$600.00
Amend stockholders	\$300.00
Relocation of existing license (per person named on request)	\$300.00
Dance or entertainment permit	\$200.00
SDD/SDM:	
New license or transfer of ownership	\$400.00
Relocation of existing license (per person named on request)	\$300.00
Add or drop space on license	\$100.00
Special license and one-day permits	\$100.00

Please submit plan of operation (if required, see Section #4 of Ordinance):

CITY OF PLYMOUTH
 201 S MAIN
 PLYMOUTH, MI 48170
 Phone : 734-453-1234
 WWW.CI.PLYMOUTH.MI.US

Received From:
 Date: 04/14/2021
 Receipt: 384503
 Cashier: SAC
 Time: 3:34:39 PM

ITEM REFERENCE	AMOUNT
POREY POLICE DEPARTMENT REVENUE	\$1,200.00
STRAIGHT FAMILY HOSPITALITY	\$1,200.00
TOTAL	\$1,200.00
CHECK 880001	\$1,200.00
Total Tendered:	\$1,200.00
Change:	\$0.00

Signature of Applicant: Frank C. [Signature] Date: 4/14/21

City of Plymouth

Class C Liquor Licensed Business Plan of Operation

Straight Family Hospitality

1020 Ann Arbor Rd

We have received a copy of the Liquor Management Ordinance. The following plan is developed in keeping with the spirit and intent of this Ordinance.

1. **Hours of Operation:** Planned hours of operation will be Monday – Sunday, 10a – 2a.
2. **Format:** The premises will be primarily operated as a full-service restaurant with a full-service bar and kitchen. We will have a Dance-Entertainment Permit for our liquor license for live entertainment covering a full spectrum of music. We also plan to offer Sunday AM liquor sales for brunches and special occasions, i.e., Mother’s Day, Easter, etc. and Sunday PM liquor sales for regular service with our Sunday AM and PM liquor license permits. Outdoor dining will be located on the property premises. The menu will be varied. The ratio of food sales to alcohol sales is anticipated to be 65%.
3. **Code Compliance:** The establishment will comply with all applicable health, safety, building, sanitation, electrical, plumbing and fire codes as well as zoning requirements.
4. **Plan of Operation:** It is acknowledged that under ordinance 2003-04, the business will operate in accordance with an approved plan of operation.
5. **Security:** Security for the staff, customers, community, and building is the priority of the corporation and as such, we will undertake whatever measures necessary to maintain and supervise the expected level.
6. **Parking:** Parking is available at on site surface lot.
7. **Alcohol Management:** The establishment will obey all rules and regulations promulgated by the City of Plymouth and State of Michigan Liquor Control Commissions. The establishment will participate in TiPS, ServSafe or similar alcohol training programs approved by the City of Plymouth Police Chief.

8. **Refuse Disposal:** The establishment will dispose of refuse in an enclosed dumpster with regularly scheduled pick up service.
9. **General:** Every effort will be made to maintain positive relationships with adjacent and nearby businesses as well as cooperation with all city departments. Every effort will be made to solve any problem that may arise.
10. **Emergency Contacts:** Ryan Yaquinto, [REDACTED] Frank Yaquinto, [REDACTED] Julia Hill, [REDACTED]

Corporate name: Straight Family Hospitality Inc.



Signed: Frank Yaquinto

Date: 4/6/2021

Cox, Al

From: Ryan Yaquinto <cfsrestaurants@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, April 23, 2021 2:57 PM
To: Cox, Al
Subject: Re: Liquor License Transfer

Follow Up Flag: Flag for follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Good afternoon Chief,

Thank you for your email. Our intention with the stated property is to continue to operate the business in its current format and layout. We are not exactly sure what may be listed for the current business's (Plymouth ROC) operation plan, hence the vagueness in the initial description. If there is something specific in the current business's operation plan that needs to be reviewed I am happy to do so. We may change the cuisine, atmosphere and/or ambiance but will not be changing from the existing and stated format/concept of a full service restaurant with a full service bar, including the use of the additional permits. Please let me know if there is anything specific that needs to be laid out.

Thank you,

On Fri, Apr 23, 2021 at 11:37 AM Cox, Al <acox@plymouthpolice.org> wrote:

Good morning. In reference to your requested transfer of liquor license at 1020 W Ann Arbor Road, please provide a brief description of your operation. The submitted Ops Plan was very vague in description, and the City Manager has requested a brief explanation of the your intended format before submission to the LLRC. Meaning, will you continue with the current format and layout or do you intend to bring in a new concept/style, etc.? A simple reply to this email with the description will be fine. Thanks for your assistance. Have a good day.

Chief Al Cox, FBINA #261

Director of Public Safety

Plymouth Police Department

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734-455-1664 (Fax)

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RESOLUTION

The following Resolution was offered by _____ and seconded by _____.

WHEREAS There has been a request for a transfer of a Liquor License ownership from J&S Hospitality, Inc. dba Plymouth ROC to Straight Family Hospitality, Inc., and

WHEREAS The proposed ownership of Straight Family Hospitality, Inc. has appeared Before the Local Liquor License Review Committee (LLRC), and

WHEREAS The LLRC has to make a recommendation to the City Commission.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Local Liquor License Review Committee of the City of Plymouth does hereby recommend to the City Commission that the State Liquor License, related permits and a new SDM License be transferred from J&S Hospitality, Inc., dba Plymouth ROC to Straight Family Hospitality, Inc.