



Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 61.

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 7, 2007

DEPARTMENT: FINANCE AND BUSINESS SERVICES

DIRECTOR: MARK R. VINCENT

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT:

Discussion and possible action regarding a Six Month Review for a Temporary Massage Establishment License, Sauna DU, dba Wellness Massage, 3900 North Rancho Drive, Suite 107, Sauna DU, Ward 6 (Ross)

Fiscal Impact

No Impact

Augmentation Required

Budget Funds Available

Amount:

Funding Source:

Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

Discussion and possible action regarding a Six Month Review for a Temporary Massage Establishment License.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to be provided following discussion of this item at the City Council meeting.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

None

Motion made by STEVEN D. ROSS to Deny

Passed For: 6; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 1; Excused: 0

LOIS TARKANIAN, LARRY BROWN, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-LAWRENCE WEEKLY); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

The applicant was present, accompanied by BROOK BOHLKE, Attorney with Callister and Reynolds, and ALEX YOUNG, Court-certified Chinese Interpreter.

MARK VINCENT, Director of Finance and Business Services, reported that MS. DU was arrested for solicitation, and her case has not yet been adjudicated.

ATTORNEY BOHLKE indicted that the charge of prostitution/solicitation has been set for pre-trial in Municipal Court on March 2, 2007. She requested another temporary license for another six months.

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MAYOR GOODMAN requested guidance from TONI WEEKS, Detective, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (Metro). DETECTIVE WEEKS indicated that she could not discuss the specifics of the case, because she was not the arresting officer and she did not want to taint any of the criminal aspect of the case.

COUNCILMAN BROWN asked if one of the original conditions imposed on this license was that the applicant report any incidents to Metro within 48 hours. CAROL MEYER, Supervisor of Business Services, answered that such a condition was not placed on the license. The only condition is that the Wilsons not be involved in the operations of the business.

COUNCILMAN WOLFSON said that the trial process could take a few months, and he felt concerned about allowing MS DU to continue doing business in the interim.

COUNCILMAN ROSS noted that there were similar issues with the previous owners. He is greatly concerned about having good businesses in Ward 6, and this is definitely not one of them. He noted that massage establishment licenses are privileged and, given the allegations, he could not support renewing the temporary license.

