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CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON: OCTOBER 3, 2007

DEPARTMENT: CITY ATTORNEY
DIRECTOR: BRADFORD R. JEBBIC

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT: BEYAN ITEM - Discussion and possible action on Appeal of Work Card Denial: Paul David Bingham, 2025 Bangle Street, North Las Vegas, Nevada 89030

Fiscal Impact:

No Impact Augmentation Required
 Budget Funds Available

Amount:
Funding Source:
Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

None

RECOMMENDATION:

None

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. Appellant Letter of Appeal
2. City Clerk Notification Letters to Appellant

Motion made by GARY REESE to Deny the appeal, thereby denying the work card

Passed For: 5; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 1; Excused: 1
LARRY BROWN, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-LOIS TARKANIAN); (Excused-RICKI Y. BARLOW)

Minutes:

The appellant was present.

TONI WEEKS, Detective, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (Metro), reported on the appellant's history of violent and aggravated crimes. She indicated she made recommendations for employment in a field other than security, but the appellant and the employer chose to go forward with the appeal. Unfortunately, a letter of support was not provided by the employer.

MAYOR GOODMAN expressed concern with the criminal history, including abuse of a firearm, even though the appellant is seeking a job for unarmed security. He expressed concern about putting MR. BINGHAM at risk without a firearm. MR. BINGHAM indicated that his duties would be to enforce the no-loitering rule and report any violations to the employer, who would

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then report to the police. He noted that medical problems with his knees and shoulders preclude him from doing many jobs. In fact, his medical condition would preclude him from what he did in the past. He is in the process of enrolling at the College of Southern Nevada to learn a profession that would not require physical work. He urged the Council to give him the opportunity to prove that he has reformed.

COUNCILMAN ROSS advised MR. BINGHAM that there are a number of jobs that do not require a work card. While he appreciated the change MR. BINGHAM has made, he could not support issuing him a work card. MR. BINGHAM requested temporary approval to allow him to prove himself. He explained that he used to be a truck driver, but had to give it up because of his bad knees. He needs to work in order to pay his bills and child support.

COUNCILMAN WOLFSON confirmed with the appellant that he was 46 years of age, that he did receive a felony conviction, served three years probation, which was reviewed for DUI in 2005 but not revoked, and that he would be wearing a vest identifying him as a security guard.

At the request of COUNCILMAN WOLFSON, DETECTIVE WEEKS explained that both armed and unarmed security positions in the City require a work card, according to the Las Vegas Municipal Code. Typically, armed security guards are hired through private firms. In this case, the employer is directly hiring a security guard. Because the bar/restaurant establishment that carries liquor, it falls under the liquor code, which requires security guards to obtain a work card.

COUNCILMAN REESE concurred with the comments made by COUNCILMAN ROSS, and opted to deny the appeal, as the appellant seemed to have a problem controlling his own behavior.

