

**CITY OF SEA ISLE CITY, NEW JERSEY
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MINUTES
OUTSIDE ALCOHOL ORDINANCE REVIEW
PARKING ISSUES REVIEW
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2012 - 2:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

ATTENDANCE: Mr. Divney, Mr. Edwardi, Mr. McHale, Ms. Tighe and Mr. Kehner. Also attending was Administrator Mr. Savastano and Solicitor Mr. Baldini.

Council President Kehner called the workshop to order and asked everyone to rise for a flag salute. He announced that the meeting had been advertised in accordance with public law 1975, chapter 231.

Mr. Kehner announced that before the Council discussed the issues, it would like to open the meeting up for citizen comment.

OUTSIDE ALCOHOL ORDINANCE:

The following individuals spoke in Support of Not Changing the Ordinance:

1. Ed Bracken, 4455 Venician Road
2. Ed Regroto, 201 53rd Street East
3. Ed McCusker, 1604 Landis Avenue
4. Lucille Bartibarton, 122 40th Street
5. Jim Tracey, 14 JFK Blvd
6. Rod Grecco, 115 49th Street
7. Lou DiAmbrosio, 147 42nd Street
8. Joe Prato, 23 43rd Street
9. Jason Pellegrini, Owner, Steak-Out Restaurant, Landis Avenue
10. Matthew Manning, 114 59th Street
11. Chris Glancey, 4009 Landis Avenue; President Chamber/Revitalization
12. Steve Stier, 4015 Landis Avenue
13. Chip French, 115 38th Street
14. Dave Helfrich, 21 36th Street
15. Bill Buchanan, 42nd & Landis Ave
16. Ed Kain, 10 75th Street
17. Ed Cunane, 3701 Landis Ave
18. Alice O'Dowd, 9 44th Street

The following individuals opposed the Ordinance and would like to see it changed:

1. Ann Organ, 209 39th Street, Representing Town Watch/Town Pride
2. Larry Evans, 15 43rd Street West
3. Matt Kuttler, 108 44th Street

Mr. Kehner then announced that a total of 57 letters/e-mails were received; 41 Opposed the Current Ordinance and 16 supported it:

The following individuals wrote in Support of Not Changing the Ordinance:

1. Rod Grecco, 115 49th Street
2. Tara Crowell, 142 45th Street
3. Karen and Dave Vanstone, 127 40th Street, 1-D

4. **Drew Waldron, 122 E. 79th Street**
5. **Will Grogan, 126 71st Street**
6. **Klaus and Kathleen Henkel, 106 74th Street**
7. **Joseph Schmidt, 5903 N. Central Avenue**
8. **Brian Gallagher, 130 57th Street East**
9. **Tom Bradley, 3814 Landis Avenue, Unit 1**
10. **Chip French, 115 38th Street**
11. **John McGowan, 3900 Landis Avenue**
12. **Melissa Baker, 123 40th Street, Unit 2-D**
13. **Jerry Bradley, 3814 Landis Avenue, Unit 1**
14. **Kevin Gillespie, 109 82nd Street, 1st Floor**
15. **Catherine Kain, 10 – 75th Street**
16. **Jamie Salvesen – 188 50th Street**

The following individuals wrote in opposition of the Ordinance and would like to see it changed:

1. **Edward & Maureen Donahue - 24 44th Street, Unit 305**
2. **Lawrence R. Lentini - 300 Landis Avenue**
3. **Lisa and Robert Powell - 7312 Central Avenue**
4. **Christina and Gerard Brangenberg - 3901 Landis Avenue**
5. **Helen Demarco - 239 40th Street**
6. **Carl Blankemeyer - 5214 Landis Avenue**
7. **Miriam Duffy - 320 38th Street**
8. **Tom & Missy McGinn – 219 48th Street**
9. **Brian Kuttler - (received via e-mail – no address)**
10. **Marybeth Welsh – 118 65th Street**
11. **Kristen Morasco – (received via e-mail – no address)**
12. **Marcella B. Schankweiler – 4711 Central Avenue**
13. **Paul Spadafora – 222 42nd Street**
14. **Nancy Nippes – 114 79th Street**
15. **Connie Mossop – (received via e-mail – no address)**
16. **Ed Waddington – 7609 Central Avenue, South**
17. **Marie & Joe (received via e-mail – no last name, no address)**
18. **Joseph & Karen Mooney – 117 48th Street**
19. **Diane Fongheiser – 3700 Boardwalk, Unit 608**
20. **Keith Ledwith – (received via e-mail – no address)**
21. **Elizabeth Corr - (received via e-mail – no address)**
22. **Dan & Kathy Deegan – 4400 Beach Condos @ 44th & Pleasure Ave**
23. **Anita Duffy DeFrancesco – 117 – 45th St**
24. **Keith DeStefano – 25 – 34th St**
25. **Shannon Duffy - (received via e-mail – no address)**
26. **Phyllis Evans – 15 – 43rd St West**
27. **Daniel Keenan – 4700 Landis Ave**
28. **Jerry Murphy – 27 – 85th St**
29. **Danielle Riordan - (received via e-mail – no address)**
30. **Elizabeth Riordan – 18 – 45th St**
31. **Michael Riordan - (received via e-mail – no address)**
32. **Patty Roman – 222 47th St**
33. **Kerry Shawn - (received via e-mail – no address)**
34. **David & Claudia Vanderslice – 4400 Beach, Unit 304**
35. **William Duffy – 117 – 45th St**
36. **Paul & Karen Lodge – 22-67th Street**

37. **Susan Davis – 3900 Pleasure Ave, Unit 301**
38. **Edward Andrus – 3700 Boardwalk**
39. **George & Gail Rendell – 22-29th Street**
40. **Herb & Marianne Kuttler – 109- 45th St**
41. **Heather Coyle – 17 42nd Street**
42. **Larry Evans – 15 43rd Street West**
43. **Matthew Kuttler – 108 44th Street**

Mr. Divney provided an overview of the correspondence received; jitneys were a huge success, concerns with public behavior, noise, the definition of the “enclosed structure”, square footage of outside vs. inside, ability to enforce, the impact on property values and the impact on quality of life.

Discussion followed and all agreed there needed to be more to the existing structure definition as what is in place does not help to reduce the noise. Also discussed was a requirement to have vestibules so that when doors open, there is a noise barrier; however some felt it problematic due to most establishments have several doors. All agreed the issue raised regarding % of square footage and creating a ratio is worth further discussion and that enforcing the noise ordinance is not problematic per the Police Chief who added that there were only 6 noise complaints from the bars all summer.

Regarding property values and family values; most agreed with the residents who spoke in favor that the City is promoted as a family town and many older patrons enjoy the outside vs. the club atmosphere inside and realtors have reported the downtown residential units are selling.

Mr. Divney offered to prepare a Recap of the workshop to send to those not present.

PARKING ISSUES:

1. **Jim Tracey, 14 JFK Blvd:** Would volunteer for parking committee. He complained about the change in enforcement of the parking permits and feels the permits should allow parking anywhere, unlimited time except for the 15 minutes spots; the newly created parking lot on JFK should allow overnight parking and allow the 1 hour meters on Landis change to 3 or 4 hours after 6:00 pm
2. **Jason Pellegrini, Steak Out Restaurant:** Agreed the parking permits should be unlimited at any meter as in the past, but also feels the times are too inconsistent, but feels the downtown along Landis should be 1 hour during business hours to ensure turnover.
3. **Jim McCullough, 4612 Landis Ave:** Agreed the parking permits should be unlimited at any meter. He lives on Landis but in a single family home without a driveway and always could buy the permit to park. He complained about the change in enforcement.
4. **Steve Stier, 4100 Landis Ave:** Would also volunteer for parking committee. He does not want the parking permits discontinued and supports a permit that would allow overnight parking.
5. **Ralph Pasceri, 3910 Pleasure Ave:** Said that he has year-round and weekly rentals and some tenants purchase the permits. He complained about the change in enforcement and agrees the permit should allow unlimited parking anywhere. He too would volunteer to be a part of a parking committee.
6. **Brian Kuttler, 108 44th Street:** He complained that in front of his business, that is across from the church, there is a 15 minute spot that does not begin until 9:00 a.m., however his business opens at 7:00 am and a change in the time would be helpful. He also asked for consideration for a larger loading zone to extend to the corner to accommodate the weekly deliveries.

7. **Steve Hansbury, 5712 Central Ave:** Stated that the parking is confusing and suggested parking zones, delineated by times.
8. **Marilyn Tracey, 14 JFK Blvd:** Said that she received many complaints that the kiosks did not work and supports the unlimited parking permit, but that all meters and kiosks should be 4 hours.

Mr. Kehner announced that 3 letters/e-mails were received:

1. **Jim McCullough, 4612 Landis Avenue** – see comments above
2. **Kathy McNichols (received via e-mail – no address)** – Agreed the permit should be unlimited, at any meter and feels the 1 hour time limit is too short
3. **John McManus, Jr., 35 – 38th Street:** Complained about newly installed meters on Landis between 36th & 38th Streets. Also complained about the change in enforcement of the permits adding it should be unlimited, at any meter.

Mr. McHale suggested a parking committee be created and Council agreed. Mr. Divney indicated that the purpose of the meters, generally is to create turnover in the down town, revenue elsewhere. Mr. McHale added that he does support the unlimited parking permits, but Mr. Divney suggested it hurts turnover in the down town. Discussion followed regarding a tiered permit system, 24 hour and meter parking only.

Council President Kehner then agreed to create a parking committee to seek input on ordinances changes.

Mr. Kehner then asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion moved by Mr. Edwardi and seconded by Ms. Tighe. All ayes followed and the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Cindy Griffith, City Clerk