

MINUTES
INTERIM BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION

March 3, 1987

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Interim Business License Commission held on the above date in the Council Chambers of West Hollywood City Hall, 8611 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA, was called to order by Commission Chair Hirsch at 7:10 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Smith

B. Roll Call:

Commissioners Present: Crane, Forbes, Hirsch, Smith

Commissioners Absent: Sweeney

Staff Present: Paul Self, Business License Officer;
John McKinney, Sr. Code Enforcement
Officer; Deputy Early Lincoln, Los
Angeles County Sheriff's License Detail;
Michelle Bagneris, City Attorney's
Office; Jan Plum, County Counsel's
Office.

C. Approval of Agenda: Approved as written

D. Approval of Minutes.

1. February 3, 1987
Change Item V.A to "7:54 p.m."
2. February 17, 1987
Headings should read "February 17"

Action: To approve minutes with corrections.

(Motion: Smith Second: Crane)

II. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS

1. Budd Kops, 969 No. Larrabee, West Hollywood

Spoke on appeals for Le Bel Age and Mondrian business licenses.

III. COMMISSION CHAIR'S REPORT

Commissioner Hirsch noted that he and Commissioner Smith attended the Council Study Session on February 23, 1987.

IV. STAFF REPORT

Staff stated that Calendar of future hearings was distributed to Commissioners.

John McKinney, Senior Code Enforcement Officer, updated Commission on code enforcement compliance to businesses whose licenses were issued by the Commission with conditions. Stated that Tap Movie Arcade, Venus Picture Arcade and Club L.A. are moving towards compliance.

V. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Accusation Hearing

BLC-87-005

Twenty Century Travel Advisors, Inc.
dba Beverly Hills Massage

Renewal application for Massage Parlor - Adult License

Introductions were made to the Commission by Jan Pluim, Deputy County Counsel, County of Los Angeles; and Anthony Glassman, Attorney for the applicant.

Staff report presented by Paul Self.

Those providing testimony were sworn in.

County Counsel made motions to amend accusation to add County VI to accusation concerning arrest at premises on August 9, 1984; and to amend Count I, line 17 to read "May 16, 1985."

Amended accusation will be presented to Commission by Friday, March 6, for continuation to next meeting.

Applicant's attorney stated for the record that he is opposed to the amendment of the Accusation. Attorney moved to exclude all other Sheriff's officers from the hearing other than the officer called to testify to prohibit cross-discussion among the officers testifying.

City Attorney advised Commission that the provisions for conduct of an Accusation hearing provide that strict adherence to rules of evidence need not be adhered to.

Commission Action: To amend Count I of the Accusation to change line 17 from "May 15, 1985" to "May 16, 1985."

(Motion: Smith Second: Forbes)
Motion carried.

To deny applicant's motion to exclude all Sheriff's deputies other than the deputy called to testify and to prohibit cross-discussion among officers testifying.

(Motion: Smith Second: Crane)
Motion carried.

1. Count I

- a. County Counsel called Deputy Early Lincoln to testify.

Counsel Plum introduced photographs taken by Deputy Lincoln of Beverly Hills Massage.

Introduction of photographs objected to by applicant's counsel; overruled by Commission.

Commissioners Hirsch and Smith stated for the record that they visited premises. Commissioners reviewed photographs of premises, which were introduced as Exhibits 1-20.

- b. County Counsel called Ronny Lancaster, Deputy Sheriff, County of Los Angeles.

Deputy Lancaster described vice officer investigation of May, 1985.

Counsel for applicant asked that the record reflect that Deputy Lancaster was reading from his report and not reciting from memory.

County Counsel was informed that Commissioners received copies of investigative reports prior to accusation hearing.

Counsel for applicant objected to copies of report presented to Commission.

[Meeting recessed for approximately 10 minutes.
Hearing resumed at 9:35 p.m.]

