

- I. Call to Order** – The regularly scheduled meeting of the Alcohol Commission was called to order at approximately 9:09 a.m. by Sergeant-at-Arms Officer Gerald Lake.
- II. Roll Call** – The following Commissioners were present: Anna Vergos Blair, Claudette Boyd, Johnsie Wallace Gault, Chad Hampton, and Renee Poe. The following Commissioners were not present: Jared Johnson and Charles Monger II.
- III. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting (March 19, 2025)** – The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed electronically prior to today’s meeting. ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.***
- IV. Special Beer Applicant(s):**
1. Thomas Kiggins, 4th – 6903 Great View Drive North – “Courage 5K”
Date(s): April 26, 2025
Time: 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Rain Date: N/A
Sponsoring Organization: Courage Thru Cancer
Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)
Thomas Kiggins, 4th was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.
(Account #T20337)
 2. Brett Lawson – Chimes Square Courtyard – “Memphis Margarita Festival”
Date(s): May 31, 2025
Time: 2:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Rain Date: N/A
Sponsoring Organization: Memphis Flyer/Leadership Memphis/Volunteer Memphis
Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)
Brett Lawson was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.
(Account #T34284)
 3. Brett Lawson – 61 Keel Avenue – “Summer Cocktail Festival”
Date(s): July 12, 2025
Time: 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Memphis Flyer/Leadership Memphis/Volunteer Memphis

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)

Brett Lawson was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T34284)

4. Brett Lawson – 61 Keel Avenue – “Memphis Tequila Festival”

Date(s): October 19, 2025

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Memphis Flyer/Leadership Memphis/Volunteer Memphis

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)

Brett Lawson was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T34284)

5. Kenneth Hoover – 573 North Highland Street – “Memphis Greek Festival”

Date(s): May 9 & 10, 2025

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)

Kenneth Hoover was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T13795)

6. Alexa Zabella – 940 Early Maxwell Boulevard – “Memphis Roller Derby Game”

Date(s): April 19, 2025

Time: 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Memphis Roller Derby

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)

Alexa Zabella was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T13795)

7. Fannie Weinberg – 248 South Cooper Street – “A Day on Witches Way”

Date(s): April 13, 2025

Time: 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Paradox at Peco; The Sanctuary Memphis

Purpose of funds: For Profit; 1 booth(s)

Fannie Weinberg was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T31132)

8. Dariana Cardona – 6389 Winchester Road – “Memphis Coliseum”

Date(s): April 4, 2025

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 3:00 a.m.

Rain Date: April 10, 2025

Sponsoring Organization: N/A

Purpose of funds: For Profit; 2 booth(s)

Dariana Cardona was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T29744)

9. Julia Nouwen – 831 South Cooper Street – “Halfway to Halloween”

Date(s): April 26, 2025

Time: 8:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: The Mystic Krewe of Pegasus Memphis

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)

Julia Nouwen was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T34089)

10. Robert Hughes – 51 Riverside Drive – “Rajun Cajun Crawfish Festival”

Date(s): April 27, 2025

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Porter-Leath

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 5 booth(s)

Robert Hughes was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Wallace Gault moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T25354)

11. Molly Willmott – 2101 Madison Avenue – “Overton Square Crawfish Festival”

Date(s): May 3, 2025

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Rain Date: May 4, 2025

Sponsoring Organization: Events Squared, LLC

Purpose of funds: For Profit; 4 booth(s)

Molly Willmott was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T16083)

12. Molly Willmott – 1350 Concourse Way – “Crafts & Drafts Summer Market”

Date(s): June 7, 2025

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Memphis Flyer

Purpose of funds: For Profit; 4 booth(s)

Molly Willmott was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T16083)

13. Shannon Merritt – 2170 Young Avenue – “Cooper Young Porch Fest”

Date(s): April 12, 2025

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Rain Date: April 13, 2025

Sponsoring Organization: Cooper Young Business Association

Purpose of funds: For Profit; 1 booth(s)

Shannon Merritt was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T34640)

14. Caroline Norris – 101 Island River Drive, Suite 150 – “Mix-Odyssey”

Date(s): April 30, 2025

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Volunteer Odyssey

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)

Caroline Norris was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T23084)

15. Christian Ramirez – 7935 Winchester Road – “Cinco de Mayo”

Date(s): May 5, 2025

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Happy Mexican

Purpose of funds: For Profit; 1 booth(s)

Christian Ramirez was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T5879)

16. Christian Ramirez – 1231 North Germantown Parkway – “Cinco de Mayo”

Date(s): May 5, 2025

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Happy Mexican

Purpose of funds: For Profit; 1 booth(s)

Christian Ramirez was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T5879)

17. Christian Ramirez – 6433 Winchester Road – “Cinco de Mayo”

Date(s): May 5, 2025

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Crazy Mexican

Purpose of funds: For Profit; 1 booth(s)

Christian Ramirez was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T5789)

V. **Liquor Store(s) Applicants**

Special Hearing to Rescind Certificate of Compliance:

18. Kabir Sakar – 5895 Winchester Road, Suite 103 – Lofti, LLC – dba – “Pops Liquor & Wine”

Attorney Adam Nahmias was present. *Commissioner Boyd moved to rescind this location’s Certificate of Compliance due to the applicant submitting a fraudulent survey that did not include two churches located within 1500 feet of the liquor store. Commissioner Poe second. The motion passed.*

(Account #T32370)

VI. **Violation(s):**

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C4, C5, D4 (WITH) priors:

19. Hisham Muthanna – 5125 Yale Road – dba – “Yale Tabacco Discount” – Citation(s) #1012252, #OS428467

Date of Violation(s): January 21, 2025

Date Permit Approved: October 1, 2014

Prior Violation(s): November 13, 2024 (C5)

Officer(s): Martin #0410, Houston #2877, Hubbard #14047

Hisham Muthanna was present and stipulated to the charges. *Commissioner Boyd moved to fine the location \$950.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion passed.* Hisham Muthanna agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T3300)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C5 (WITH) priors:

20. Dhruvkumar Patel – 1920 Kirby Whitten Road – DNJA, Inc. – dba – “All In One Whitten Road” – Citation(s) #985488

Date of Violation(s): November 14, 2024

Date Permit Approved: June 17, 2020

Prior Violation(s): September 14, 2021 (C4, C5, D4)

Officer(s): Houston #2877, Hubbard #14047, Martin #0410

Dhruvkumar Patel was present and stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner Boyd moved to fine the location \$700.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion passed.* Dhruvkumar Patel agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T24002)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C4, C5, D4 (NO) priors:

21. Wazir Ali and Naureena Wazir – 5665 Quince Road – Duran, LLC – dba – “Quince Road Food Mart” – Citation(s) #1009906, #OS428487

Date of Violation(s): January 17, 2025

Date Permit Approved: December 18, 2015

Officer(s): Ward #0502, Wiley #14519, Martin #0410

Wazir Ali was present and stipulated to the charges. *Commissioner Boyd moved to fine the location \$600.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion passed.* Wazir Ali agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T2990)

22. Mohammad Ullah, Sheikah Ahmed, and Khondkar Rahman – 2510 Covington Pike – Covington Express, Inc. – dba – “Covington Express” – Citation(s) #1010013, #OS428488

Date of Violation(s): January 21, 2025

Date Permit Approved: January 2, 2019

Officer(s): Ward #0502, Wiley #14519, Martin #0410

Khondkar Rahman was present and stipulated to the charges. *Commissioner Boyd moved to fine the location \$600.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion passed.* Khondkar Rahman agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T20213)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C5, D4 (NO) priors:

23. Adnan Deumah and Mona Deumah – 1220 Getwell Road – Getwell Gas Express, LLC – dba – “Getwell Gas Express” – Citation(s) #1010271

Date of Violation(s): January 17, 2025

Date Permit Approved: March 1, 2017

Officer(s): Martin #0410, Wiley #14519

Fadell Deumah (POA) was present and stipulated to the charges. ***Commissioner Boyd moved to fine the location \$500.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion passed.*** Fadell Deumah (POA) agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T13339)

24. Muhammad Alam, Mohammad Howlader, and Mohammad Islam – 3556 James Road – First Capital Investment, Inc. – dba – “Marathon Food Mart” – Citation(s) #1012224

Date of Violation(s): January 21, 2025

Date Permit Approved: March 1, 2017

Officer(s): Martin #0410, Houston #2877, Hubbard #14047

Muhammad Alam was present and stipulated to the charges. ***Commissioner Boyd moved to fine the location \$500.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*** Muhammad Alam agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T12479)

VII. The Following Person(s) has Applied to Sell Beer for “ON” Premise Consumption:

25. Napoleon Yancey Jr. – 105 South Germantown Parkway – Yancey's Catering & Concession LLC – dba – “Yancey's Catering & Concession LLC”

Napoleon Yancey Jr. and Namario Yancey were present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.***

(Account #T34280)

26. Jonathan Williams (General Manager) for Priti Patel – 2751 New Brunswick Road – Pripal, LLC – dba – “Holiday Inn & Suites Memphis Wolfchase”

Jonathan Williams (General Manager) was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.***

(Account #T34565)

VIII. The Following Person(s) has Applied to Sell Beer for “OFF” Premise Consumption:

27. MD Oli, Abdullah Mamun, and MD Ashadul Haque – 3524 Covington Pike – New Sunrise, LLC – dba – “Sunrise Food Mart”

Continued from the March 5, 2025 A C meeting

MD Oli and Attorney John Parker were present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, ***Commissioner Hampton moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.***

(Account #T32541)

28. Abdulaziz Algalal – 2757 Kimball Avenue – Lamar X Express, LLC – dba – “Lamar X Express”

No Newspaper Ad

No one appeared. ***Administrative continuance to the April 16, 2025 A C meeting.***

(Account #T34006)

IX. New Business

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XI. Adjournment – There being no further business to come before the commission, *Commissioner Hampton moved for adjournment at approximately 10:28 a.m. Commissioner Vergos Blair seconded. The motion passed.*

Anna Vergos Blair, Chairman

Date

Yolanda Fullilove, Executive Secretary

Date