

- I. **Call to Order** – The regularly scheduled meeting of the Alcohol Commission was called to order at approximately 9:14 a.m. by Sergeant-at-Arms Officer Gerald Lake.
- II. **Roll Call** – The following Commissioners were present: Scot Bearup, Tanya Frey, Johnsie Wallace Gault, Jared Johnson, Charles Monger II and Dharam Rampersad. The following Commissioners were not present: Claudette Boyd and Renee Poe.
- III. **Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting (December 3, 2025)** – The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed electronically prior to today’s meeting. *Commissioner Wallace Gault moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Commissioner Frey seconded. The motion passed.*

IV. **Liquor Store Applicant(s):**

New Liquor Store(s) Applicants:

1. Ethan N.A. Edwards – 870 South White Station Road – Grind Management LLC – dba – “The Station”
Ethan N.A. Edwards, Judge Donald, Attorney Jobe and Attorney Fargotstein were present to represent the Grind Management, LLC-d./b/a “The Station”. Judge Donald gave background information about Mr. Edwards and an overview of the application. Attorney Spence spoke in opposition and provided the commissioners with an order from Chancery Court and a survey from the city engineer. Attorney Spence stated that his group had not previously reviewed the newly submitted application. A copy of the application was provided. Attorney Jobe and Judge Donald stated that information Attorney Spence and his group were referring to was related to the prior application. Commissioner Frey and Bearup had questions about the survey that they addressed to both sides. Commissioner Johnson called speakers to address the Commission based on submitted appearance cards, including speakers both in opposition to and in support of the application. Mr. Belz (the property owner) and Mr. Edwards’ attorneys spoke in support of the location. Following discussion and routine questioning by the Commissioners, *Commissioners Monger II moved to continue consideration of the application to allow the Commission time to review materials submitted at the meeting and to consider issues raised in opposition to the application. Commissioner Frey seconded. The motion passed. The application will be reconsidered at the January 7, 2026, meeting.*
(Account #T36342)

V. **Violation(s):**

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

2. Raaofa Al-Hayani and Omar Al-Hayani – 1245 North Hollywood Street – dba – “Quick Mart Express” – Citation(s) # 1017608, OS408848
Date of Violation(s): August 20, 2025

Date Permit Approved: March 20, 2024

**Prior Violation(s): August 8, 2025 (C16)
March 20, 2024 (C5)**

Officer(s): Lockett #14900, Martin #0410, Ward #0502

No one appeared. *Commissioner Monger II moved to indefinitely suspend the beer permit. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.*

(Account #T32078)

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

3. Abdo Saleh – 1026 Mississippi Blvd. – Sams Xpress, Inc. – dba – “Mississippi and Walker Mart” – Citation(s) #1010005

Date of Violation(s): August 13, 2025

Date Permit Approved: February 15, 2017

Prior Violation(s): June 16, 2023 (C4, C5, D4)

Officer(s): Houston #2877, Ward #0502

No one appeared. *Commissioner Monger II moved to indefinitely suspend the beer permit. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.*

(Account #T13118)

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

4. Shaik Wares – 2456 Chelsea Avenue – Hollywood Fuel Inc. – dba – “Chelsea Food Mart” – Citation(s) #1017609

Date of Violation(s): August 20, 2025

Date Permit Approved: October 19, 2022

Prior Violation(s): May 5, 2025 (C4, C5, D4)

March 20, 2024 (C4)

April 15, 2023 (C4, C5, D4)

Officer(s): Lockett #14900, Martin #0410, Ward #0410

Shaik Wares was present and stipulated to the charge(s). *Commissioner Monger II moved to fine the location \$750.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.* Shaik Wares agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T28721)

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

5. Ibsa Ibrahim – 740 East McLemore Avenue – Hawwii Enterprise, LLC – dba – “Hawwii Enterprise” – Citation(s) #OS428201

Date of Violation(s): August 13, 2025

Date Permit Approved: September 21, 2022

Prior Violation(s): June 15, 2023 (C4)

Officer(s): Houston #2877, Ward #0502

No one appeared. *Commissioner Monger II moved to indefinitely suspend the beer permit. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.*

(Account #T28118)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C1, C4, C5, D4 (NO) priors:

6. Rais Uddin, MD R. Ahmed, Kazi Maniruzzaman, Mohammad Howlader and MD Z. Ahmed – 2032 Chelsea Avenue – Ria Fuel Inc. – dba – “Chelsea Express” – Citation(s) #1009743, OS408847
Date of Violation(s): August 20, 2025
Date Permit Approved: August 20, 2025
Temporary Permit: July 23, 2025 – August 22, 2025
Officer(s): Lockett #14900, Martin #0410, Ward #0502
Rais Uddin was present and stipulated to the charge(s). *Commissioner Monger II moved to fine the location \$700.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.* Rais Uddin agreed to the fine and probation.
(Account #T35548)

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

7. Hanan Hishe – 745 East McLemore Avenue – dba – “Soulsville Market” – Citation(s) #881022, OS428200
Date of Violation(s): August 13, 2025
Date Permit Approved: November 1, 2017
Officer(s): Houston 2877, Martin #0410, Ward #0502
Hanan Hishe was present and stipulated to the charge(s). *Commissioner Monger II moved to fine the location \$600.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.* Hanan Hishe agreed to the fine and probation.
(Account #T16248)

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

8. MD Rakib, MD Hasan, MD Hossain, MD Alam & Afsara Bhuyian – 800 East E.H. Crump Blvd. – AWRR Enterprise, Inc. – dba – “Crump Food Mart” – Citation(s) #881023
Date of Violation(s): August 13, 2025
Date Permit Approved: April 3, 2024
Officer(s): Houston #2877, Martin #0410, Ward #0502
MD Hossain and Attorney Lutz were present and stipulated to the charge(s). *Commissioner Monger II moved to fine the location \$600.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.* MD Hossain agreed to the fine and probation.
(Account #T31987)
9. Khalid Abdi – 1112 Springdale Street – SAA Grocery LLC – dba – “King Ali Grocery” – Citation(s) #1009745
Date of Violation(s): August 20, 2025
Date Permit Approved: May 21, 2025
Officer(s): Lockett #14900, Martin #0410, Ward #0502
Khalid Abdi was present and stipulated to the charge(s). *Commissioner Monger II moved to fine the location \$600.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.* Khalid Abdi agreed to the fine and probation.
(Account #T34834)

VI. The Following Person(s) has Applied to Sell Beer for "OFF" Premise Consumption:

10. Andrew Hodge – 468 East Shelby Drive – London Liquors Incorporated – dba – “London’s Mini Mart”

Andrew Hodge was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Monger II moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed*

(Account #T36115)

VII. New Business

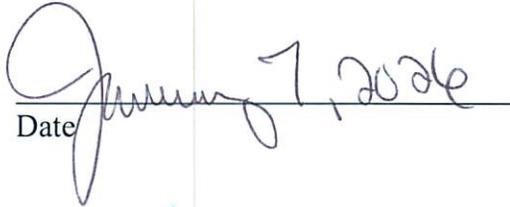
VIII. Old Business – Commissioner Monger II suggested that at the next meeting they hear all the other items on the agenda before the new liquor store application “The Station” due to the amount of time that’s being consumed with hearing this item.

IX. Adjournment – There being no further business to come before the commission, *Commissioner Wallace Gault moved for adjournment at approximately 10:09 a.m. Commissioner Frey seconded. The motion passed.*



Jared Johnson, Chairman

Date

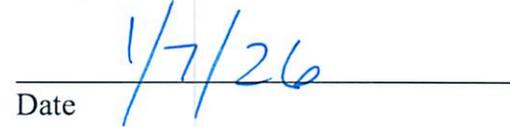


January 7, 2026



Yolanda Fullilove, Executive Secretary

Date



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