

**PUBLIC SAFETY & LICENSE
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

FEBRUARY 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Woburn City Hall

Committee Room

Voting members: Chairman Lindsay Higgins, Alderman Michael Concannon, Alderman Richard Gately, Alderman Darlene Mercer-Bruen, Alderman Joanne Campbell

Non-voting members present: President Richard Haggerty and Alderman Edward Tedesco;
Absent: Alderman Michael Anderson and Alderman Mark Gaffney

Renewal of Second Class Motor Vehicle Sales License by Wassim (Sam) Nicolas, dba Woburn Square Mobil, 23 Pleasant Street: Chairman Higgins said the conditions imposed on the license are 1.) That the vehicles for sale shall be limited to two at any time, and 2.) That the vehicles for sale shall not be displayed within 50 feet of Pleasant Street. Alderman Gately said he has received no complaints about the business and that Mr. Nicolas is a good guy. Motion made by Alderman Mercer-Bruen and seconded by Alderman Campbell that the license renewal “ought to pass,” with the existing conditions; approved, 5-0.

Renewal of Second Class Motor Vehicle Sales License, Veloze Enterprises Inc. dba Rogers Radiator, 936 Main Street: Chairman Higgins said there was an issue with the fence on the property and a condition on the special permit regarding the fence was removed. Alderman Tedesco said the petitioner has resurfaced and restriped the parking lot. Alderman Mercer-Bruen asked if the Committee should recommend the addition of a condition that the striping in the parking lot has to be maintained. Motion made by Alderman Mercer-Bruen and seconded by Alderman Gately that the license “ought to pass” with the following conditions: 1.) There will be a limit of 15 vehicles; and 2.) The striping in the parking lot must be maintained; approved, 5-0.

Petition for issuance of Livery License to Sams Liv Express LLC, 22 North Warren Street: Appearing for the petitioner was Sahil Sherchan, 22 North Warren Street, who said he initially applied for a license allowing three vehicles but was only given two, and now he is back before the Council seeking permission to add a third vehicle, which he said will be garaged in Northborough. Alderman Gately asked if Mr. Sherchan was unable to get a license in Northborough. President Haggerty said he thinks this is an insurance issue. Mr. Sherchan said Massport won't issue him a sticker for the third vehicle until he gets it on the license. Alderman Gately asked if Mr. Sherchan has had any trouble in Everett and if the vehicles associated with the license are registered in Woburn. Mr. Sherchan said all three vehicles will be registered in Woburn. Alderman Gately asked if the vehicle garaged in Northborough will ever come to Woburn. Mr. Sherchan said only when the driver comes to pick up his paycheck. Alderman Gately asked if the car based in Northborough will ever pick up fares in Woburn. Mr. Sherchan

said it will not. Alderman Concannon said he is comfortable with the petitioner's request to add a third vehicle. Mr. Sherchan said the car will be traveling all over Massachusetts and when his business was based in Watertown he could have as many cars as he wanted but the rules in Woburn are different. Chairman Higgins said the Council wants to know how many cars Mr. Sherchan is using in connection with the business. Mr. Sherchan said once he gets the upgrade to his license he will apply for a sticker from Massport. Alderman Concannon said Massport has the authority to allow access to the airport, but the cars must be licensed by a community. He said Woburn's rules are pretty straightforward in that the Council stipulates a number of vehicles on the license. Alderman Concannon said livery licensees can pick any community they wish to apply for a license, but they must obey the rules of that community. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Concannon that the license renewal "ought to pass," increasing the number of vehicles from two to three, along with any other conditions that are imposed on the license; approved, 5-0.

Motion made to adjourn by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Concannon; approved, 5-0. Chairman Higgins adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

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Gordon Vincent
Clerk of Committees