City of Washington Public Safety Committee Meeting February 18, 2019



Chairman Butler called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM.

Voting Members present:

Chairman- Brian Butler, Alderman-Carol Moss, Alderman-Brett Adams

Other Officials present:

Chief Michael McCoy, Deputy Chief-Jeff Stevens, Alderman Jim Gee and Admin Assistant-Linda Storer

Residents:

Lili Stevens, Pat Webb, representing Christy's, Darrin Armstrong, representing Katy T's, Sherrie Lucas, representing Brickhouse, Brock Heider, representing Kep's and John Parish, representing Parish's Pub.

1. Alderman wishing to be heard on a non-agenda item:
None

2. Citizen wishing to be heard on non-agenda items:

Many questions were posed to the Committee relating to the proposed ordinance changes affecting fees for liquor and gaming. Darrin Armstrong passed out a document outlining percentages of fees based on 2018 annual gaming numbers. (attached). Sherrie Lucas is afraid she will lose her machines because of the fees imposed on Terminal Operators. She voiced concerned if she should remain in business in Washington. John Parish asked why gaming and alcohol are the only businesses being considered for a fee hike. Pat Webb stated that the numbers the City has as to what the businesses take in on gaming isn't big to them (business owners) because of the expenses that are paid out of those proceeds. "If the slots go, my business is over." Mr. Webb continued by asking why the issue of gaming and alcohol is in front of the Public Safety Committee. Chairman Butler advised the reason was that they had to choose a Committee to place this on and Public Safety was chosen. It could have actually been placed on Finance & Personnel but the results would have been the same. Lastly, Mr. Webb asked if any other businesses were being considered for fee hikes to which Chairman Butler replied, "Not tonight."

3. Approval of Minutes – January 21, 2019.

Motion to approve requested by Chairman Butler – Alderman Moss motioned, 2nd Alderman Adams.

4. Business Items:

A. Gaming/Liquor Ordinance Revisions – On February 7, 2019 at 5PM, the bar owners were invited to attend a meeting outlining some proposed fee hikes for both liquor

licenses and gaming. This was to explore the possibilities only. At the end of this meeting, the bar owners were opposed to the proposal regarding gaming. The City advised they would rework the proposal and would come back with another version.

The new proposal was outlined by Chief McCoy during the PSC Meeting.

Alderman Moss asked that this issue be taken before the Committee of the Whole because she did not feel that the (3) Public Safety Committee members should make this decision alone. Chairman Butler asked for a motion to table this issue here and take it before the Committee of the Whole. Alderman Adams motioned and Alderman Moss-2nd. All voted "aye". This ended any further discussion at the Committee level. Lastly, the 1st Reading of the Gaming amendment will be stricken from the Council Agenda for tonight's meeting.

As far as liquor fee proposal, the fees were outlined by Chief McCoy. There will be a first reading at tonight's council meeting.

- B. Video Cameras at Police Department proposals were received from three vendors. Each priced differently. PD requesting consideration for camera system from Oberlander's Salient Security System. It far surpasses the others for performance, clarity and is capable of expansion in the future. Chairman Butler asked for a motion to recommend. Alderman Moss made the motion and 2nd by Alderman Adams.
- C. Security doors Phase 3. Fire Department requesting consideration for security log in similar to Police Dept and City Hall. Proposal is \$17,500.00. Chairman Butler asked for a motion to move this item on to the City Council. Alderman Moss motioned and Alderman Adams 2nd.

Other Business:

None

Adjournment – 6:15 PM, motion by Alderman Adams and 2nd by Alderman Moss.

Pecentage of fees based on 2018 annual gaming numbers

Location Name		34.57% Location/Operator Share	(City) Location Fee Percentage	(City) Operator Fee Percentage
4th & Goal/Brickhouse	\$	28,598.00	2.60%	29.20%
Christy's Place	`\$	76,844.00	1.00%	10.87%
Keps	\$	73,064.00	1.00%	11.43%
McMahon's	\$	90,265.00	1.00%	9.25%
Parish's Pub	\$	62,843.00	1.20%	13.29%
Katy T's	\$	92,604.00	1.00%	9.02%
Plaza Lanes	\$	32,252.00	2.33%	25.89%
		2018 VGT Revenue at 5% State Share	Increase New Fees 4.76%	
City of Washington	\$	66,964.00	\$ 63,700.00	