

Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County, Georgia
Mayor and Commission
Special Called Session
Tuesday, April 21, 2015
6:00 p.m.
City Hall Commission Chamber

The Mayor and Commission of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County, Georgia met this date in a special called session. Present: Mayor Denson; Commissioners Dickerson, Sims, Link, Wright, Bailey, NeSmith, and Bell. Absent: Commissioners Herod, Girtz, and Hamby.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider an application for an alcohol license for a restaurant with the sale of beer and wine with Sunday sales under the provisions of the distance waiver permit process by Star Miller, LLC, d/b/a Preserve at 1660 West Broad Street.

Public input

There was no public input.

Attorney Berryman gave an overview of the distance waiver permit process and the factors to be applied during deliberation.

Star Miller was represented by Ella Sternberg.

Attorney Berryman administered an oath to Ms. Sternberg, Finance Director David Boyd; Assistant Finance Director Chris Caldwell, Financial Services Administrator Chuck Moore, Revenue/Business Tax Coordinator Annette Loggins, Interim Chief of Police Carter Greene and SPO Mark Heath.

Ms. Sternberg stated the required sign on the property had been posted and legal ads run but she did not present the affidavit of advertisement. Staff verified they were aware the public notices ran in the legal as required.

Ms. Sternberg made an opening statement. She presented one letter in support of her proposed business.

A motion was made by Commissioner Link, seconded by Commissioner Wright, to approve said distance waiver permit application.

A substitute motion was made by Commissioner NeSmith, seconded by Commissioner Wright, to approve said distance waiver permit application with the following outdoor patio areas and property usage restrictions:

1. That no amplified music of any kind should be played outside of the building on the property at any hour.
2. Stop seating of guests on outdoor patio at 10:00 P.M.
3. All occupants leave the outdoor service area by 10:45 P.M.

The motion was amended to delete condition 1.

The substitute motion as amended passed by roll call vote with Commissioners Dickerson, Link, Wright, Bailey, NeSmith, and Bell voting YES; and Commissioner Sims voting NO. (6 YES; 1 NO)

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Clerk of Commission