

**MEMORANDUM
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

TO: Dennis E. Pauley, Mayor, City of Rock Island

SUBJECT: Youth Dance License
Re: G5 Dance Club

NUMBER: 11-07
DATE: 06/20/2011

BACKGROUND:

On January 18th, 2011, Ashley Harris applied for a youth dance license for the location of 502 11th Street.

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT:

Ashley Harris, manager for G5 Dance Club, located at 502 11th Street, applied for a youth dance license on January 18th, 2011. Mr. Harris is leasing the property from Perry Atwater, for the purposes of holding a teen dance club as well as for private parties and events.

To obtain a youth dance license, city ordinance requires the applicant to provide a completed application to the city clerk. The application shall contain, among other information, a petition signed by a majority of the property owners, representing at least a majority of the frontage within three hundred feet (300') in each direction of the proposed location on both sides of the street on which the proposed location shall front, signifying their willingness to have a license issued hereunder; providing that in any case if the property owners of at least forty feet (40') of the property immediately adjacent to or abutting on any side of the proposed location shall not appear as signers on said petition, no license shall be issued.

There are nine (9) properties located within 40 feet of the property, immediately adjacent to or abutting on any side of the proposed location. The property owners of these locations would be required signatures for the petition process. Mr. Harris has obtained four (4) signatures of the property owners affected by this requirement. Three (3) of the nine (9) properties are owned by the City of Rock Island. One property, 1019 5th Avenue, the signature of Teresa Mooney was obtained, however she is a tenant and not the owner of the property. I had previously spoken with the owner, Timothy Golden, who indicated he didn't care one way or the other if G5 had a youth dance license.

Address	Owner	Signature Obtained
1019 5 th Avenue	Timothy Golden	No
425 11 th Street	TLC Properties	No
428 11 th Street	Mildred Taggart	Yes
1010 5 th Avenue	King Solomon Lodge 20	Yes
1016 5 th Avenue	King Solomon Lodge 20	Yes
510 11 th Street	King Solomon Lodge 20	Yes
501-503 11 th Street	City of Rock Island	N/A
505-507 11 th Street	City of Rock Island	N/A
509-511 11 th Street	City of Rock Island	N/A

There are a total of twenty-two (22) properties representing the frontage within 300 feet in either direction the proposed location fronts. Mr. Harris would be required to obtain twelve (12) signatures to obtain a majority of property owners. Nine (9) of the twenty-two (22) properties are owned by the City of Rock Island. Mr. Harris was only able to obtain two (2) of the required twelve (12) signatures.

Address	Owner	Signature Obtained
1108 4 th Avenue	Donald & Rhonda Johnson	No
415 11 th Street	Erika Oviedo	No
417 11 th Street	Efrain Oviedo	No
421 11 th Street	Broadway Corp./Ray Berger	No
425 11 th Street	TLC Properties	No
6 Ave/11 th ST SE	Forest Siding Supply	No
602 11 th Street	Torrey Communications	No
426 11 th Street	Theresa Rummels	No
424 11 th Street	Joe L. Butler	No
418 11 th Street	Mary E. Cotton	No
410 11 th Street	Maximilian Rosales	No
510 11 th Street	King Solomon Lodge 20	Yes
428 11 th Street	Mildred Taggart	Yes
501-503 11 th Street	City of Rock Island	N/A
505-507 11 th Street	City of Rock Island	N/A
509-511 11 th Street	City of Rock Island	N/A
513-515 11 th Street	City of Rock Island	N/A
517-519 11 th Street	City of Rock Island	N/A
521-523 11 th Street	City of Rock Island	N/A
525-527 11 th Street	City of Rock Island	N/A
529-531 11 th Street	City of Rock Island	N/A
518-520 11 th Street	City of Rock Island	N/A

I have verified the above listed signatures submitted with the application, verifying that all signers of the petition have indicated their willingness that a youth dance license should be issued to G5 Dance Club.

Mr. Harris did not provide a copy of proof of liability insurance with this application.

In a previous inspection of the property by Fire Marshall Jeff Hindman and Chief Building Officer Tom Ayers conducted on November 2nd, 2010, the building failed inspection due to numerous property maintenance violations on the lower level and the exterior. On January 20th, 2011, I contacted the city Inspections Department and scheduled another inspection of the building and property. I learned that Ashley Harris planned on performing numerous improvements to the property before an inspection would be scheduled. On June 20th, 2011, I learned that an inspection was conducted by Fire Marshall Hindman, Brian Tauke, and Tom Ayers on June 16th, 2011. In speaking with them I learned that he complied with all requirements and any safety issues have been addressed.

RECOMMENDATION:

As the applicant has failed to satisfy the requirements set forth for the petition process, I would recommend that a youth dance license be denied for the location of 502 11th Street pending the filing of a letter of appeal requesting a public hearing be held in accordance with the provisions as set forth in the Code of Ordinances.

Submitted by:



Agent Timothy J. McCloud
Office of Professional Standards

APPROVED: ~~_____~~

DISAPPROVED:



Scott D. Harris
Chief of Police

June 21, 2011

City of Rock Island
City Clerk's Office
1528 3rd Avenue
Rock Island, IL 61201

RE: **Request for public hearing**

Dear City Clerk's Office:

The purpose of this letter is to request a public hearing. The reasoning for the public hearing is to ask the city to waive the signature requirements needed to obtain a youth dance permit for G5 dance club. The location of the business is 502 11th st Rock Island, IL. Any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me on my cell phone at (309) 721-4574.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ashley Harris". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Ashley Harris
G5 Dance Club



July 8, 2011

Mary E. Cotton
418 11th Street
Rock Island IL 61201

Dear Ms. Cotton:

The Rock Island City Council has received a request from Mr. Ashley Harris, Manager of the G5 Dance Club for a waiver of approval of the signature requirement to secure a Youth Dance license to be issued at the location of 502 11th Street, Rock Island, IL 61201. A copy of Chapter 8, Section 8-86 of the City Code of Ordinances governing Youth Dance licenses is attached.

The Rock Island City Council will hold a Public Hearing on this request Monday, July 25, 2011 at 6:45 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Rock Island City Hall, 1528 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, Illinois. As the record owner of nearby or abutting property, you are invited to attend this hearing and express your views or submit written comments.

Any person, firm or corporation wishing to provide comments to the waiver of approval for a Youth Dance license may attend the hearing or provide written comments. Any written comments must be filed with the City Clerk.

This notice/agenda may be obtained in accessible formats, by qualified persons with a disability, by making appropriate arrangements with the City Clerk, Aleisha L. Patchin at 732-2010.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Aleisha L. Patchin'.

Aleisha L. Patchin
City Clerk

Enclosure



July 8, 2011

Mr. Ashley Harris
1627 14 ½ Street
Rock Island IL 61201

Dear Mr. Harris:

The matter concerning the Youth Dance license application and waiver of approval for the G5 Dance Club located at 502 11th Street, Rock Island, Illinois will be heard before the City Council at a Public Hearing on Monday, July 25, 2011 at 6:45 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Rock Island City Hall, 1528 - 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, Illinois.

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