

Anchorage Downtown Community Council

Marijuana & Alcohol Committee

Meeting Notes

Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 5:30pm

(Anchorage Historic Hotel)

LED Ultra Lounge - Robert Alexander owner of LED Ultra Lounge attended the meeting due to his liquor license being up for renewal. The council received notice from AMCO regarding LED license renewal as there is protest from the department of labor. AMCO and other government agencies have to notify the council of protest of any kind.

Normally the council will be given 20-day notice, this allows the council to prepare and meet with the licensee. In this case, we received notice from AMCO of two options as follows: the council will be given 20-day notice set forth in AS 04.11.510(b)(2) which is only for the community council. If the Downtown Community Council wishes to waive its right to the full 20-day notice, then a hearing will be held during the ABC Board meeting on April 3 to consider the objection and public testimony. If the Council prefers the full 20-day notice, rather than the 15-day notice that was provided, then the matter will be tabled during the April meeting until a hearing can be held at the June 12 meeting.

After lengthy discussion, motion was made, second and approved as follows: "The Downtown Community Council Alcohol & Marijuana Committee met to discuss the 20-day notice set forth in AS 04.11.510(b)(2). It was decided the Council prefers the full 20-day notice".

Alaska Fireweed – Susan Nowland, owner of Alaska Fireweed a marijuana retail store located at 715 W. 4th Avenue downtown Anchorage will be going in front of the Alcohol Marijuana Control Office board meeting on April 3, due to transfer of ownership. Ms. Nowland will be 100% owner of the license. Ms. Nowland asked the committee for a letter of personal support, as she has been attending the committee and council meetings. After discussion, the committee decided to support Ms. Nowland and move forward in writing a letter of support.

Next meeting – Wednesday, April 18 at 5:30pm at the Anchorage Historic Hotel – Conference Room.