

The Committee on Community & Business Development met on Monday, December 13, 2021 at 6:00pm in the City Council Chambers.

The meeting was recorded by ECTV and can be viewed on the City of Everett website.

Members present remotely were Councilor Rosa Diflorio, presiding, Councilors John Hanlon and Michael Marchese.

Members absent was Councilor Gerly Adrien.

The Committee considered a Resolution offered by Councilor Wayne Matewsky: That the owners/representatives of Ferry Street Auto Sales LLC/Avanti Motors appear before this Committee to clear up ownership and licensing issues of the business at 152 Ferry Street known as Ferry Street Auto Sales.

Assistant City Clerk Peter Napolitano, Attorney Jarrod Hochman representing Gisele Queiroga and Attorney Jeffrey Steinbrecker representing Mr. Mustapha and Mr. Reda were also present.

Mr. Napolitano informed the Committee that he conducted an inspection of the premises on October 18th at the request of Committee and found that they were in compliance with the number of vehicles they are allowed to have on the property. He stated that he had an additional conversation with the license operator regarding several web-based advertisements for a rental car service being offered on the property and noted that they were not licensed to conduct that type of business. Mr. Napolitano told the Committee that upon reviewing the License Renewal application for the year 2021 he found no evidence that the Landlord had signed off on the license application which is a requirement. He noted further that the Property Owner fields were actually signed off by an Officer of Ferry Street Auto Sales, Inc. which is not the property owner. He provided the Committee with several Police Reports (attached for the record) that outlined license and vehicle related issues at the location that included sales and financing discrepancies. Mr. Napolitano explained that the current license holder whose license will expire on December 31st, 2021 at the 152 Ferry Street location has indicated that she will be seeking a license for a different location within the City of Everett and that Avanti Motors will be applying for a license at 152 Ferry Street and does have a signoff and lease from the Property Owner. Councilor Marchese wanted assurances that the Avanti business partners were not involved in any of the Police Reports and Mr. Napolitano stated that the issues related to the Ferry Street Auto Sales, Inc. business. Councilors Hanlon and Marchese questioned the status of the Court proceedings between Ferry Street Auto Sales, Inc and Avanti Motors and was told that a dispute of the Purchase and Sales Agreement between the parties was still being resolved through a civil suit through the local District Court. The Committee was in agreement to allow the current license that was issued to Ferry Street Auto Sales, Inc. to run out on December 31st, 2021 which would allow Avanti Motors to apply for the license at the 152 Ferry Street location commencing January 1st, 2022.

The Committee voted: To report back to the City Council that No Action is necessary.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley
Clerk of Committees

2021 DEC 14 A 9:56
CITY OF EVERETT
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE