The Committee on Legislative Affairs & Elections met on Monday, September 26, 2022 at 6pm in the City Council Chambers.

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

Members present were Councilor Michael Marchese, presiding, Councilors Alfred Lattanzi, Stephanie Smith and Darren Costa.

The Committee considered an Order offered by Councilor Alfred Lattanzi: That the City Council supports the submission of a Special Act to the Massachusetts General Court authorizing the City to grant additional alcoholic beverage licenses.

Keith Slattery, Assistant City Solicitor and Phillip Antonelli, Liquor License Chairman were also present.

Councilor Lattanzi began the meeting by asking Mr. Slattery why the City was applying for these licenses. Mr. Slattery responded that the City currently had 20 alcoholic restaurant licenses available, 2 beer and wine license available and no retail alcoholic licenses left. He stated the reason for pursuing the additional licenses was to address the future development proposed in the City in relation to the Casino expansion, entertainment sports arena interest, 600 Broadway restaurant as well as other potential opportunities. Mr. Slattery referenced that the City of Somerville did the same for the Assembly Mall development. He remarked that it was a good business plan. Mr. Antonelli informed the Committee that he has 5 or 6 inquiries into obtaining retail licenses but noted that unfortunately there were none. At this point in the meeting at 6:11pm City Clerk Sergio Cornelio informed the Committee that the meeting needed to stop until ECTV could provide sound to the broadcast of the meeting. At 6:45pm the sound still had not been restored so Chairman Marchese informed the members and guests that the meeting had ended due to technical issues.

Respectfully Submitted,

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