



BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

During the Birmingham City Council Meeting on February 12th, 2019, the City Council voted on the following items:

- 1. A Resolution relative to the application of 6 Bucks Inc. for an On and Off Premise Beer and Wine License to be used at Organic Harvest Market, 1924 – 2nd Avenue North, Birmingham, and the hearing of all interested parties.*

Was this item approved? Yes

What does this mean?

This Spring, [Organic Harvest Community Grocery & Cafe](#) will open a new location in downtown Birmingham, at the site of the former Parisian department store at 1924 2nd Avenue North. In addition to offering healthy food and groceries, the new downtown market will offer wine and craft beer, as well as a cafe serving smoothies, sandwiches, salads, juices, coffee and "grab-and-go" selections.

If you're interested in obtaining a liquor license from the City, the process begins by requesting an appointment with the Office of Tax and License Administration on the 1st Floor of City Hall. To schedule an appointment call (205) 254-2198

After staff provides you with the proper documents, you'll need to attend 3 meetings: 1. The meeting of the Neighborhood Association in which your business will operate. 2. A Public Safety Committee Meeting, which meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month in the City Council chambers on the 3rd Floor of City Hall. 3. A City Council Meeting. After all your application is approved by the City Council, you will be given a certified Resolution within 10 business days, which you will need to take to a State ABC Board Meeting for approval. Please know that the application process will last 6-8 weeks, so plan accordingly. For more information about the process, please call (205) 254-2198

Next Steps: For more information, please contact the Office of the City Council at 205.254.2294

Refer to council agenda Item 6

2. *A Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with A.G. Gaston Business Institute ("A.G. Gaston"), under which the City will provide up to \$5,000.00 of financial and in-kind services and assistance to A.G. Gaston Business Institute to host the 2019 A.G. Gaston Conference for small businesses in Birmingham.*

Was this item approved? Yes

What does this mean?

The City of Birmingham is providing \$5,000 of financial and in-kind services to the A.G. Gaston Business Institute for its 2019 A.G. Gaston Conference.

To honor the legacy of iconic businessman, A.G. Gaston, the A.G. Gaston Conference was formed in 2004, and has evolved into a think tank event with broad conversations and discussions about economic empowerment.

The 2 day event recognizes the achievements of iconic businessman and community leader A.G. Gaston, who started and grew several business enterprises that employed hundreds, educated thousands, and insured thousands more, The conference celebrates the contributions of state and local leaders who, like A.G. Gaston, found needs and filled them.

For more information, please visit aggastonconference.biz

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Refer to council agenda Item 40

3. *A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Birmingham Board of Education, pursuant to §16-11-9.1, Code of Alabama 1975, in the sum of \$3,500.00 for the purpose of the Board of Education providing supplies for teachers and students at L. M. Smith Middle School, said funds are to come from the Killough Springs Neighborhood Association Fund.*

Was this item approved? Yes

What does this mean?

Currently, nearly \$4 Million Dollars is sitting in Neighborhood Associations' accounts, unspent. Neighborhood Associations are encouraged to put their funds to use to improve the lives of neighborhood residents by working with their Community Resource Representatives to create small neighborhood projects. Neighborhood funds can often be leveraged by partnering with their Councilors to use Public Improvement Committee (PIC) funds allocated to their districts or with other City Departments such as PEP and Public Works. One of the uses for Neighborhood funds is to support Birmingham City Schools Here is a quick guide to ways Neighborhood Associations CAN and CAN NOT spend their funds:

CAN SPEND ON:

Infrastructure improvements to City Property and in City Rights of Way

Landscape improvements to public property

Facility usage for neighborhood meetings

Park Improvements

Support of Birmingham City Schools

Support of Birmingham Public Libraries

Supplies for Neighborhood Meetings

Equipment for Public Use

Travel to conferences, meetings, and workshops by neighborhood officers

Public Transportation Services/Bus Shelters

Programs and Projects that serve a public purpose

Decorative Items for neighborhood beautification, such as neighborhood entrance signs

Electronic communication equipment for neighborhood business

Fun Days

CANNOT SPEND ON:

Purchase of Landscaping Equipment

Purchase of Motor Vehicles

Purchase of Property

Personal electronic devices not used for neighborhood business

Employment of individuals

Professional service fees

Giveaways not available to the general public

Postage fees

Contributions to non-profit organizations

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Refer to council agenda addendum Item 48

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Announcements and Reminders

Monday, February 18, 2019

12:30 p.m. – Joint Parks and Recreation Committee and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting – City Council Chambers

2:00 p.m. – Joint Governmental Affairs and Public Information Committee and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting – City Council Chambers

4:00 p.m. – Joint Transportation Committee and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting – City Council Chambers

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

9:00 a.m. – Pre-Council Meeting – City Council Chambers; 9:30 a.m. – Council Meeting – City Council Chambers
2:00 p.m. – Joint Utilities/Technology Committee and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting – Conference Rooms “D & E”
3:30 p.m. – Joint Public Safety Committee and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting – City Council Chambers

Wednesday, February 20, 2019

9:00 a.m. – Park Board Meeting – Maxine Herring Parker Board Room, Legion Field, 400 Graymont Avenue West

Thursday, February 21, 2019

2:30 p.m. – Agenda Meeting – Conference Room “A”
3:00 p.m. – Joint Planning and Zoning Committee and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting – 5th Floor Conference Room-City Hall

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