

# CITY OF PITTSBURGH

## DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS, LICENSES, AND INSPECTIONS

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## BOARD OF LICENSE AND INSPECTIONS REVIEW

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### Board of License and Inspections Review Meeting Minutes November 10, 2021 9:30 a.m., Via Zoom Conference Call.

- I. **Board Members present:** Alyssa P. Lyon, Siena Kane, Ronald Graziano, Dave Breingan
  
- II. **PLI Administrative Staff Present:** Sarah Kinter, Director, Mark Mariani, Assistant Director of Operations, Monica Bender, Assistant Director of Administration and Licensing, Neil Grbach, Data Solutions Architect, Autumn Barszczowski, Personnel and Finance Analyst
  
- III. **Call to Order:** Alyssa P. Lyon at 9:35a.
  
- IV. **Review and Approval of Minutes from Previous Hearing:** The Board approved the Minutes from October 13, 2021 and the 2022 LIR Board Calendar.
  
- V. **New Appeals:**
  - a. LIR-2021-00570: 4001 ARSENAL PL
    - i. Dave Breingan recused himself from this case.
    - ii. Daniel Rose appealed the citation received regarding the disrepaired sidewalk. He discussed that he believes the maintenance should be maintained by the City due to the location of the sidewalk in relation to Public Spaces and in relation to his house.
    - iii. Sarah Steers represented the City. She called Anthony LaRussa to testify on the violation and why Daniel Rose was cited for the violation. She also cited a Pennsylvania Supreme Court Case that she believes will uphold that Daniel Rose is in violation of City Code.

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### VI. Continued Appeals:

- a. LIR-2021-00500, 5324 PENN AVE
  - i. Siena Kane recused herself from this case due to her absence.
  - ii. Aleksandra (Sasha) Phillips spoke on behalf of the Children's Home. She is appealing City Code 916.06. She discussed the equipment used to perform the sound studies and referenced the need to measure the sound in relation to the background noise in the area.
  - iii. Sarah Steers represented the City. She called Mark Mariani, Anthony LaRussa, and Corey Layman as witnesses to provide testimony on the case.

### VII. Postponed Appeals

- a. LIR-2021-0000465, 466 WILLIAM ST (postponed for January 2022 date, TBD)
  - i. Monica Bender confirmed this was postponed till January.

### VIII. Board Decisions:

Following Executive session:

- a. The LIR board voted to uphold the violation in LIR-2021-00570: 4001 ARSENAL PL.
  - a. They did make note that they believe the policies in place that uphold this violation are archaic and work against residents.
- b. The LIR board voted to uphold the violation in LIR-2021-00500, 5324 PENN AVE.

### IX. PLI update:

- a. Planning to follow up with the mayor's office next month on next steps for re-appointments as we will have the result of administrative election. We appreciate your patience through the election of Pittsburgh's next mayor.

### X. Public Comment:

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- a. The floor was opened for public comment.
  - b. Mike Dolan spoke about LIR-2021-00500, 5324 PENN AVE. He discussed a sound study completed by the Children's Home and the zoning changes requested by the Children's Home.
  - c. Jennifer Haven spoke about LIR-2021-00500, 5324 PENN AVE. She discussed how she worked to help raise money for a sound study three years ago.
  - d. Jean-Marc Athanassiadis spoke about LIR-2021-00500, 5324 PENN AVE. He echoed the statements made by Mike Dolan and Jennifer Haven.
  - e. Pamela Keen is the CEO of the Children's Home. She spoke about the previous public commenters and about the sound study that the Children's Home completed.

### XI. Adjournment:

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 am.