



# City of West Allis

## Meeting Minutes

### Public Safety Committee

*Aldersperson Suzzette Grisham, Chair*  
*Aldersperson Chad Halvorsen, Vice Chair*

*Alderspersons: Kevin Haass, Daniel J. Roadt and Ray Turner*

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Tuesday, May 12, 2026

6:00 PM

City Hall, Common Council Chambers  
7525 W. Greenfield Ave.

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#### SPECIAL MEETING

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

Ald. Grisham commenced the hearing at 6:00 p.m.

#### B. ROLL CALL

**Present** 5 - Grisham, Halvorsen, Haass, Roadt, Turner

*Others present: Attorney Anthony Garcia, representing the City of West Allis, Police Officer Mark Burckel, Attorney Rebecca Monti, representing the Public Safety Committee, and Attorney Jeff Murrell, representing the Licensee.*

#### C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*None.*

#### D. NEW AND PREVIOUS MATTERS

#### E. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION

1. [2026-06305](#) Complaint against Blaque Bar & Bites Corporation (ALC-23-22) at 1022 S. 60th St.

Officer Burckel called as a witness by complainant. Testimony received.

Upon stipulation of the parties, documentation presented by complainant during Officer Burckel's testimony and intended to be presented during his testimony was received into evidence. Parties agree that the weight given to such evidence is open to argument.

Jennifer Pierce called as a witness by complainant.

Attorney Murrell requested a recess at 7:05 p.m. Committee reconvened at 7:33 p.m.

Agent, Jennifer Pierce, denied all counts and invoked her fifth Amendment right to not answer questions. Attorney Murrell advised Pierce would not renew her Class B Tavern license upon expiration on June 30, 2026 but asked for a stay on her license until that date and for his client to provide a closing statement.

Ald. Haass moved to convene into Closed Session at 7:38 p.m., Ald. Halvorsen seconded, motion carried by a roll call vote:

Aye: 5 - Grisham, Halvorsen, Haass, Roadt, Turner  
No: 0

Ald. Haass moved to re-convene into Open Session at 7:53 p.m., Ald. Turner seconded, motion carried by a roll call vote:

Aye: 5 - Grisham, Halvorsen, Haass, Roadt, Turner  
No: 0

Ald. Grisham announced the unanimous decision of the committee. The Licensee's request for a delayed surrender date is denied. The parties were offered an opportunity to make additional statements. The parties declined. The Committee unanimously recommended revocation of the Class B Tavern License (ALC-23-22) for Blaque Bar & Bites. On behalf of the Committee, Grisham requested a special Common Council meeting on Friday, May 15, 2026 for Council to vote on their recommendation.

2. [2026-06237](#) Operator's License (Bartender/Class D Operator) renewal application for Jennifer Pierce. (BART-433)

The Committee recommended non-renewal of the Operator's License application due to applicant being a habitual law offender.

## F. ADJOURNMENT

Ald. Haass moved to adjourn at 7:58 p.m., Ald. Turner seconded, motion carried.



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