

Alcohol review committee

Los Angeles
Las Vegas (only 1 grandfathered left)
San Francisco
New York city

These cities do not allow alcohol to be served at nudity bars
They serve pop and juice only they call them juice bars

Visions /Silk

There is a lot of crime around vision s and on east Washington ave
Residents are fearful

Madison is suppose to be a college town
If you allow another strip place , it will be hard to get rid of it

The original agreement was when the old owner of visions died
,the strip club was going to go away,
that is what the city promised has promised for years

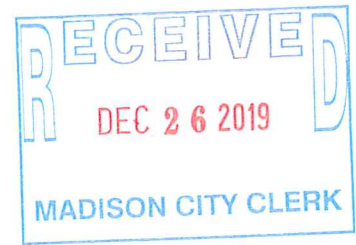
Entertainment is riding bike, watching tv, reading ,walking a dog
working in a hobby , volunteering , going to the movies

Getting drunk obnoxious , degrading females, driving drunk, using/ selling drugs
Shooting robbing stabbing, threatening residents, murdering , vandalism , urinating & vomiting in public
Having sex in someone's front yard or parked cars
is not Entertainment

No such thing as a high class strip club

Madison is better off to error on the side of caution
By not allowing a new strip bar with alcohol , it will lose nothing by saying no
You decision could
Cost the city millions in crime and lawsuits (wrongful death lawsuit or something?)
Cost a person their life
Affect property values
Affect property damage ,cause injury , drunk driving drug or domestic violence
Affect other businesses and residents and children in the area

Have the city buy the buildings and surrounding run down places
Mow them over , make a city building there or a bus transfer point or a park and ride
Then there will be no building for a strip bar
Coordinate with state, county ,city highway , deny alcohol license , talk to city lawyers
Exotic silk is worse than regular visions,



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In the same building

Alcohol sometime inspires people to do things they would not normally do
Which causes more problems and crime
This would apply to patrons of strip clubs as well as the strippers and the employees

Exotic Silk is looking to get into new markets

Silk is like a franchise ,

alcohol review mayors office

The new exotic silk strip joint sounds horrible it will have even more business than visions

Strip club patrons cars would be parked on the MATC college grounds , this is what silk said

Who would allow this , no common sense

a college student just got raped on Langdon street

Madison doesn't need one raped on wright street , current location of MATC

MATC is right around the corner from Visions 1/4 mile

I could not find anything about the valet parking company on the internet

exotic silk crime news is not good

if it is such a great business why do they need security guards,, valet parking, metal detectors

they are making money off usually, uneducated lower income women

bar owners, are just bunch of semi legal pimps

Madison's motto inclusive innovative and thriving

so how does a strip joint meet that

this place will affect the near east side and the near west side and the downtown

everything is close together due to the lakes

Madison does not need a strip joint it has enough crime already

No such thing as a high end strip place

Exotic silk is a fancy name for a low life establishment

Parts of east Washington ave are finally starting to look good again

So lets keep going with it , get rid of this strip joint while you can

East Washington ave used to be a showcase street for when dignitaries arrived to Madison

They came from the private side of the airport up East Washington straight up to the capitol

Now they go 51 to the beltline and around the lake Monona and come up john Nolan drive because

The area around Visions on east Washington looks horrible , run down empty buildings / strip club

Property values would go up if visions/silk is gone , new business would move

Developers may want to buy up the several empty buildings near it and improve the area

New business may want to move into the empty old Gardner bakery /bimbo building or develop it into something else

The city would make more money on property taxes if some high rise building or something else moves in

They will lose money in crime, police , fire calls , injury to police or civilians,, and lawsuits

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Visions/silk liquor incense , should be taken away forever

strip clubs take advantage of women

Changing the name will do nothing

the new place will have even more lawyers and problems

There were 4 people shot , 1 stabbed at visions 2018

There was a murder in the parking lot of Pedro's /AutoZone in 2015

the victim was shot 17 times

1997 or 1998 across from visions/silk a female escort was raped and murdered in the Spence hotel

People buy sell drugs in Pedro's/ AutoZone parking lot across from visions at the time

People buy sell drugs on the side streets as well as perform sex acts in cars near visions

Kick trip closes at midnight because of the crime in the area

All the other kwick trips in Madison are 24 hrs

Dane county credit union , has no bank tellers , just ATM machines inside , due to the crime in the area

The Credit union is on the corner of wright street and East Washington between MATC and visions

The area has had murders rapes, robberies, drug dealing, shootings,

Stabbings, human trafficking , drunk driving, sex acts in people front yards

Threats to residents & business owners , vandalism, property damage

All this is related to Visions and the crowd it attracts

All this on East Washington Ave. which goes directly downtown

Visions should not be allowed to have liquor license/ No license for exotic silk

Revoke the license, improve the city, it will cost nothing, other than lawsuits

Do not let them move to another place on the county !

How much city police tax payer money wasted because of Visions or exotic silk

Hawthorn Grade school is 1 block behind Pedro's and Auto zone(across from visions)

Thank you

Pole Position: The Subjective Guide to San Francisco Strip Clubs

By Aaron Britt (https://www.7x7.com/u/aaron_britt) Sep 18, 2019

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In honor of our licentious writer gets \$500 from 7x7 of local strip clubs.

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in from the girls, one a highly subjective tour

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I'll level with you: I'm not much of a strip club guy. I went to one for my bachelor party, but I'm hardly a regular. That said, I dig the idea of tawdry San Francisco, blinking lights, hired flesh, and slick-talking doormen. Luckily, there's no shortage of grit on any after-dark walk down Broadway. The strip just east of Columbus is also the last vestige of our Barbary Coast past. So I ventured

neophytes: San Francisco law prevents any club that serves alcohol from being fully nude. That's right, gang. It's heinies or Heinekens. You must choose your poison.

I've passed the **Hustler Club** (<http://www.hustlerclubsf.com/>) on Kearny Street a hundred times, always peering down the steep, street-level stairs and chuckling over the fact that two of the four TVs visible from the curb perpetually play *The People vs. Larry Flynt*. But when I actually enter, it becomes clear that the movie is about as much Hustler action as I'm going to get.

Naked Cities No More

By IRENE GARCIA

SEP. 17, 1999
12 AM

TIMES STAFF WRITER

The right to dance nude in front of paying strangers may be protected by the Constitution--a 1st Amendment protection confirmed by the Supreme Court--but that hasn't stopped communities across Southern California from trying to find creative ways to legislate topless bars and clubs out of existence.

For some cities the effort has often been a delicate legal dance, and some have had their hands slapped by judges for trampling the rights of club owners.

But now, emboldened by recent court decisions, more cities are aggressively seeking to restrict what goes on inside the dozens of darkened lounges that dot industrial districts across the Southland.

Los Angeles, which has regulated strip clubs through zoning for more than 20 years, is drafting an ordinance that would forbid nude dancers from accepting tips from patrons and prohibit physical

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Naked Cities No More - Los Angeles Times

The Spearmint Rhino club met these requirements, and in February the club gained permission from the Police Permit Review Panel to open in Van Nuys, foiling a two-year battle by residents.

State regulations prohibit bars featuring full nudity from serving alcohol, leading these businesses to operate as "nude juice bars."

Like many such bars, Spearmint Rhino bills itself as a "gentlemen's club," with fully nude dancers, lap dancing and tipping by patrons. (Lap dancing is a private tete-a-tete in which the stripper sits in the lap of a patron, who pays extra for the one-on-one performance.)

The emerging Los Angeles ordinance, which officials expect to be completed by year's end, is modeled after laws in two cities that so far have passed legal muster.

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Las Vegas

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FULL-NUDE OR FULL-BAR? A GUIDE TO LAS VEGAS STRIP CLUBS

July 1, 2016 | 4:21 pm

The City of Sin is filled with numerous attractions. From the family-friendly showings of the Rat Pack to the risqué performances of Cirque du Soleil, Vegas has something for just about everyone. But for those of us who's inclination is for something of the more scandalous variety, only Las Vegas strip clubs can offer the much needed break from the status quo of daily life.

But what's entertainment without a little liquid-aid for what ails us? Needless to say, alcohol and strip clubs go together like peanut butter and jelly. Unfortunately, there were those in the mid-90's that decided no one should be able to enjoy both vices at the same time. As a result, section 6.35 in the Las Vegas Code of Ordinances was amended to include the prohibition of alcohol in Las Vegas strip clubs which opted to host full-nude erotic dancing.

The New York Times



Making Strip Clubs Go Dry, Then Go Away

By Sarah Maslin Nir

March 2, 2014

With its fish-market-perfumed air, waste-transfer stations and a moored prison barge visible just off its coast, the industrial peninsula of Hunts Point in the Bronx has long been somewhat of an indifferent haven for the city's topless bars and pole dancing parlors.

With names like Club Heat and BadaBing, they proliferated amid the warehouses and next to the Bruckner Expressway after restrictive zoning laws instituted by the Giuliani administration forced them from other neighborhoods.

But one by one, the clubs began to close: Just two years ago, there were four strip clubs in Hunts Point's 1.6 square miles. Now there are none.

The strip club industry is under broad attack in New York, as opponents have embraced a startlingly effective strategy: Spare the strip clubs, but punish their liquor.

In the last several years, community leaders have found increasing success petitioning the State Liquor Authority to revoke the liquor licenses of numerous strip clubs in New York and deny the applications of new clubs. The opponents cite crime, noise or other quality-of-life issues, or highlight a club owner's lack of qualifications or possible criminal ties.

The tactics have led many owners to try to operate without selling alcohol — a status that, ironically, because of vagaries in the rules governing exotic dancing, allows the clubs to be totally nude. But the resulting loss of customers makes clear that the presence of alcohol is far more important than the absence of pasties.

And when there is no champagne in the champagne room, the flow of revenue also dries up.

"You go after their liquor license," said Rafael Salamanca, the district manager of Bronx Community Board 2, which covers Hunts Point. Mr. Salamanca has spearheaded efforts that led to the closing of four clubs in the last two years. "They can't make any money if they don't have a liquor license."

In determining whether to award a license, the authority considers criteria like the proximity of other such establishments and the background of an applicant. The authority also "places substantial weight on the recommendations of community boards and residents living near a proposed bar or restaurant."

Some of the arguments against a club can be rather straightforward. Mr. Salamanca cited one Hunts Point venue, Club Eleven, that he said was a magnet for trouble; the police were called to numerous fights and assaults that stemmed from the club. And in December 2011, a woman was shot and killed outside.

Other battles require more effort. Club opponents have set up their own task forces and begun to investigate club owners, reporting any dirt to the Liquor Authority. As a result, established venues have seen their liquor licenses contested for reasons that sometimes amount to technicalities.

In the case of Platinum Pleasures in Hunts Point, club owners did not notify the authority and surrender its license when it was temporarily shut for construction work. The owners also failed to disclose that they received \$126,880 from an unidentified interest. The authority revoked the club's license, saying that officials must know who is providing financing. The club closed in 2013; last week, a State Supreme Court justice upheld the decision to revoke its license.

Platinum Pleasures' sign, featuring female silhouettes, has now been replaced by a For Sale banner. A local pastor has expressed interest in converting the space into a church.

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Federal investigation into sex trafficking, torture involves co-owner of Milwaukee strip club

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The co-owners of the Hardware Store strip club on Main Street in Clyman are under investigation for sex trafficking. (Photo: Michael Sears / Milwaukee Journal Sentinel)

The co-owner of a downtown Milwaukee strip club is a key figure in a federal investigation into sex trafficking, money laundering and torture involving a club he owned in Dodge County, newly released court documents show.

Radomir Buzdum was the owner of TNT Gentleman's Club in Lebanon, which he said has closed and is for sale. He co-owns Silk Exotic strip clubs on Old World Third Street and in Middleton. Silk is trying to open a second downtown Milwaukee location, "Silk on Water," at 144 E. Juneau Ave.

Two people have been indicted in the case. Christopher Childs, 46, of Hartford, faces federal charges in Milwaukee of sex trafficking involving force, fraud and coercion and conspiracy to engage in sex trafficking. Jennifer Campbell has also been charged with conspiracy to engage in sex trafficking.

Buzdum has not been charged, but he acknowledged in an interview with the Journal Sentinel that he is under investigation. Court documents make it clear that investigation is ongoing.

Search warrant applications targeting both TNT and another Dodge County strip club became public in March after being filed in federal court.

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Convicted club owner helped create Silk Exotic

John Diedrich and Mary Spicuzza, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel Published 6:55 a.m. CT Aug. 31, 2016 | Updated 3:17 p.m. CT Sept. 1, 2016



(Photo: Twitter)

Michael Rose, the owner of a dozen strip clubs who pleaded guilty to more than 100 counts of money laundering, racketeering and attempted drug delivery, says he acted as a consultant to Milwaukee strip club owner Jon Ferraro ([/story/news/investigations/2016/08/22/milwaukee-strip-club-owner-indicted-california/88615080/](https://www.jsonline.com/story/news/investigations/2016/08/22/milwaukee-strip-club-owner-indicted-california/88615080/)) in helping him create Silk Exotic clubs here more than a decade ago.

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The Journal Sentinel learned of Ferraro's indictment after obtaining an FBI cellphone tracking warrant filed in federal court in Milwaukee. The FBI filed the warrant on the same day as the other defendants in the case, in March 2015.

Former Silk Exotic strip club owner Jon Ferraro quietly agreed to plead guilty in federal 'Russian Laundry' case

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Jon Ferraro (Photo: Mark Hoffman/Milwaukee Journal Sentinel)

Longtime Silk Exotic strip club owner Jon Ferraro secretly pleaded guilty to conspiring to commit money laundering and racketeering nearly three years ago in a federal case known as "Russian Laundry," recently unsealed court documents show.

Ferraro, who is no longer a Silk owner, told the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel that he had "entered into a bad business deal in Las Vegas" several years ago.

"As a result, I left myself exposed to criminal liability for which I have accepted responsibility for and I am deeply remorseful," he said in a statement.

"I love the city of Milwaukee. I have been honored to do business here, and I appreciate the trust people have in me," Ferraro said. "I apologize for my bad judgment in this instance. In the future, I will do everything I can to be worthy of that trust again."

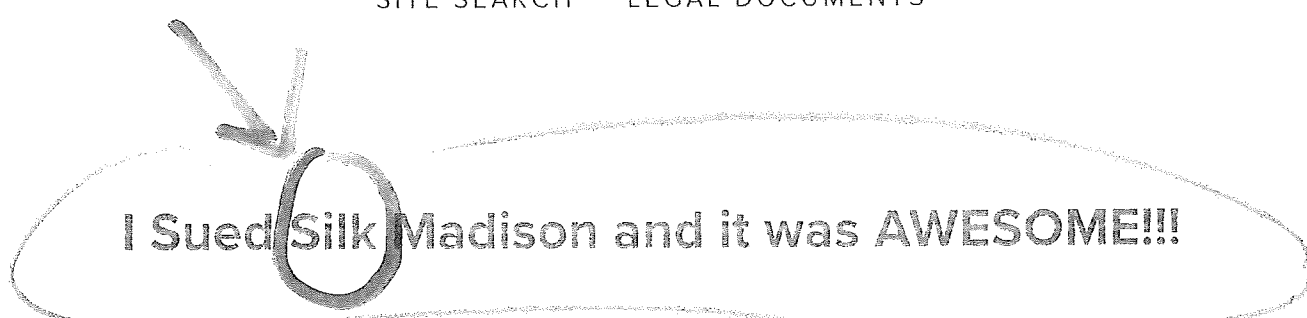
Ferraro agreed to cooperate with the government in that case and related investigations as part of his plea agreement, records show.

Ferraro's plea deal is the latest twist in a series of federal criminal investigations linked to Silk Exotic, which now has two strip clubs in downtown Milwaukee.

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Silk is a chain of strip clubs in the state of Wisconsin. This past Spring, I drove out to the town of Middleton, Wisconsin. Middleton is just outside of Madison, and it is the home of Silk Exotic Madison.

Silk's labor violations were overwhelmingly obvious and clear. Being a stripper there, it was very obvious that I was an employee being misclassified as an independent contractor. Almost everything on the Economic Realities test that classifies workers as employees is something that Silk did. I audio recorded everything that I possibly could.

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Woman Charged With Embezzlement At Silk Exotic Strip Club: Report

Police responded to the Silk Exotic gentleman's club where they learned that a 21-year-old woman had been stealing at least \$3,800.

By Scott Anderson, Patch Staff (https://patch.com/users/scott-anderson-0)
Sep 10, 2018 11:15 am CT



(https://patch.com/wisconsin/brookfield-wi/amp/27728096/woman-charged-with-embezzlement-at-silk-exotic-strip-club-report)

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MILWAUKEE COUNTY, WI -- Authorities in Milwaukee County say that a 21-year-old Caledonia woman is responsible for stealing at least \$3,800 from the Silk Exotic gentleman's club, 11400 W. Silver Spring Rd. (https://

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Silk Exotic Milwaukee Gentlemen's Club is being sued over music licensing fees

Matt Wild (<https://milwaukeearecord.com/author/matt-wild/>) October 29, 2019

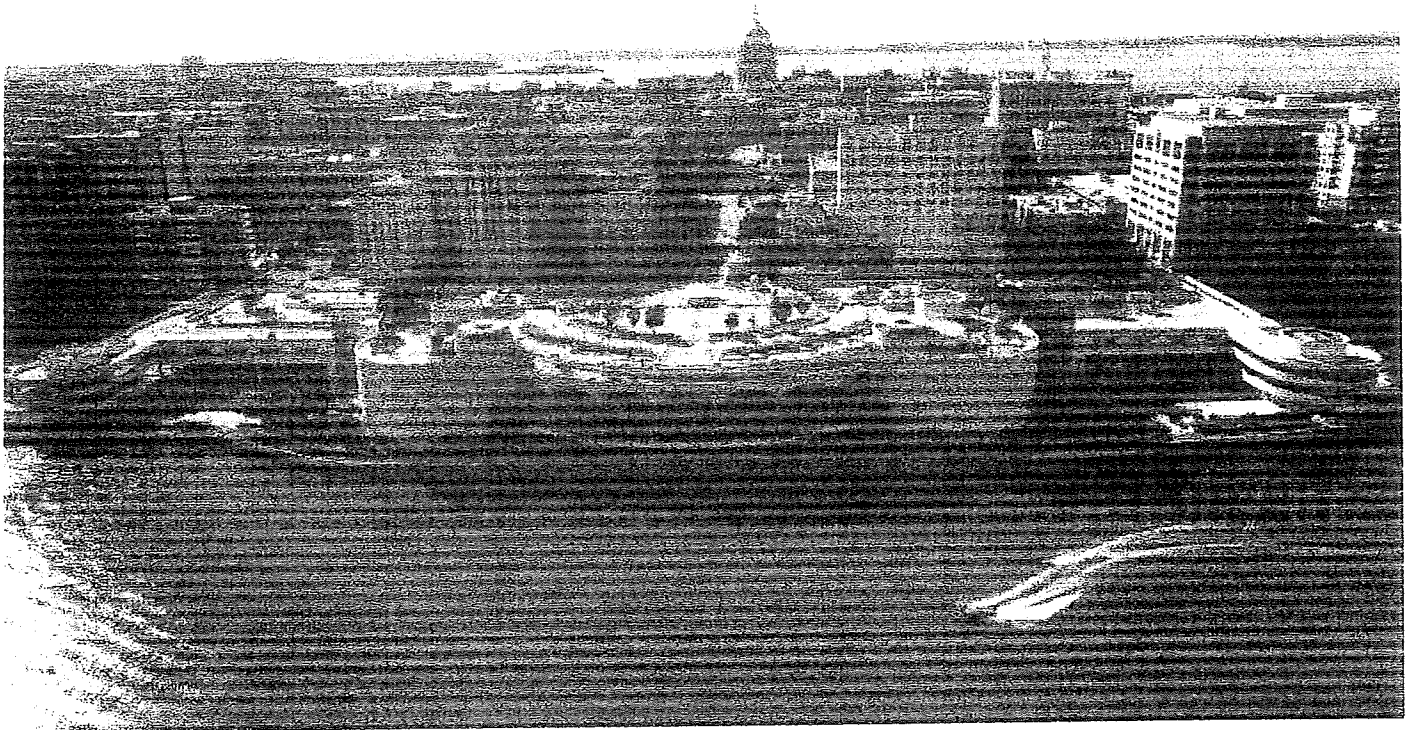
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The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) announced Tuesday that it has filed 19 separate copyright infringement actions against various bars, restaurants, and venues throughout the country. And one of those venues is in Milwaukee. And when you think Milwaukee venues, you think...Silk Exotic?

Yep, "Kickstart My Heart" and the oeuvre of Kid Rock don't come cheap, folks. At issue is Silk's unauthorized use of copyrighted music from ASCAP members. ASCAP licenses the public performances of its music, collects licensing fees, and distributes royalties to its members. According to ASCAP, nearly 90 percent of the licensing fees "goes directly to songwriters, composers and music publishers as royalties."

Madison ranked best city to raise family in country



By Jackson Danbeck | Posted: Tue 3:43 PM, Nov 12, 2019 | Updated: Tue 3:56 PM, Nov 12, 2019

MADISON, Wis. (WMTV)-- A new study found that Madison is the #1 city to raise a family in the country.

According to the study from SafeHome.org, Madison won the top spot for its proximity to parks, low poverty, unemployment, high education and access to health care.

Madison beat Minneapolis (#2), San Francisco (#3), San Diego (#4), St. Louis (#6), Omaha, NE (#7), San Francisco (#7), Milwaukee also ranked in the top 10. Some interesting

Madison, Best place to raise a family does not need a strip club

The 10 worst cities for families are Tucson, Bakersfield, Miami, Memphis, Riverside, Fresno, Laredo, Corpus Christi, Stockton and New Orleans.

Four of the top 10 cities are in the Midwest; while California has 4 cities in the bottom 10.

Only one Southern city is among the 10 best.



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CAREER & WORKPLACE

Willie Wade faces charges in strip club payoff, placed on leave as Employ Milwaukee CEO

Silk



Willie Wade has been placed on leave from his post as CEO of Employ Milwaukee, the city's workforce agency.
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By Patrick Leary
Reporter, Milwaukee Business Journal
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The leader of the workforce development agency serving Milwaukee County has been charged with wire fraud for allegedly accepting \$30,000 by falsely claiming he was negotiating on behalf of a Milwaukee alderman to accept a bribe in exchange for their vote for licenses for a downtown Milwaukee strip club.

Willie Wade was named Employ Milwaukee's CEO in July 2018 after spending the preceding two years on the workforce agency's staff following a 13-year tenure as a Milwaukee alderman. In April and May 2017, a little more than a year prior to his appointment as CEO, Wade allegedly operated a scheme to defraud an individual associated with the Silk Exotic strip clubs as that business was seeking licensing for a new downtown location, which opened in May 2018.

According to an indictment filed in the U.S. District Court in the Eastern District of Wisconsin Wednesday, which charges Wade with three counts of wire fraud, Wade claimed to be working on behalf of an unnamed Milwaukee alderman and accepted \$30,000 from the Silk representative purportedly in exchange for the support of the alderman, who the indictment says was unaware of Wade's dealings.

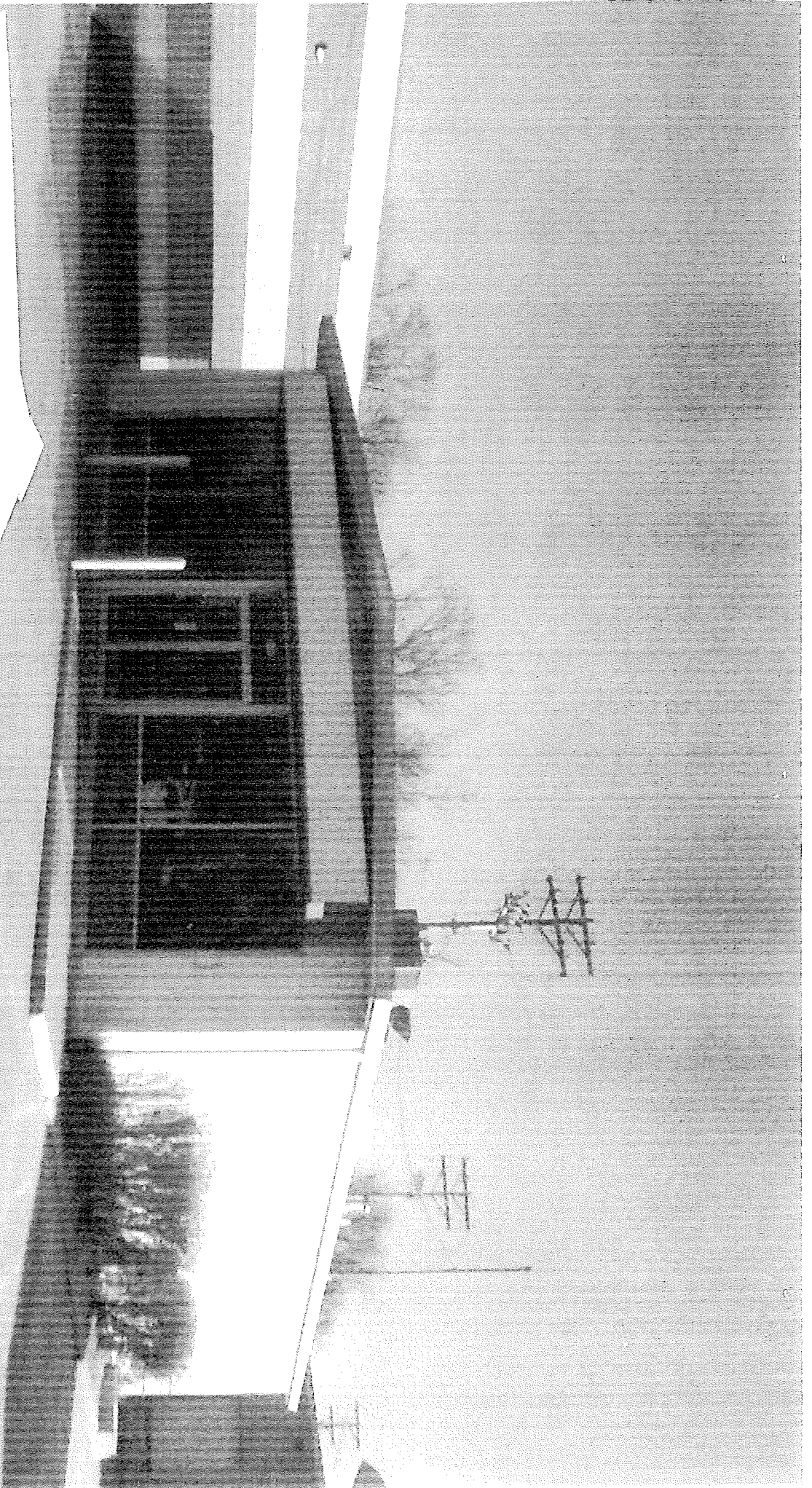
Silk Exotic isn't named in the indictment, but listed dates of meetings held by the city's Licensing Committee and the Common Council cross-referenced with archived meeting minutes show Silk's future downtown location was discussed on the dates in question.

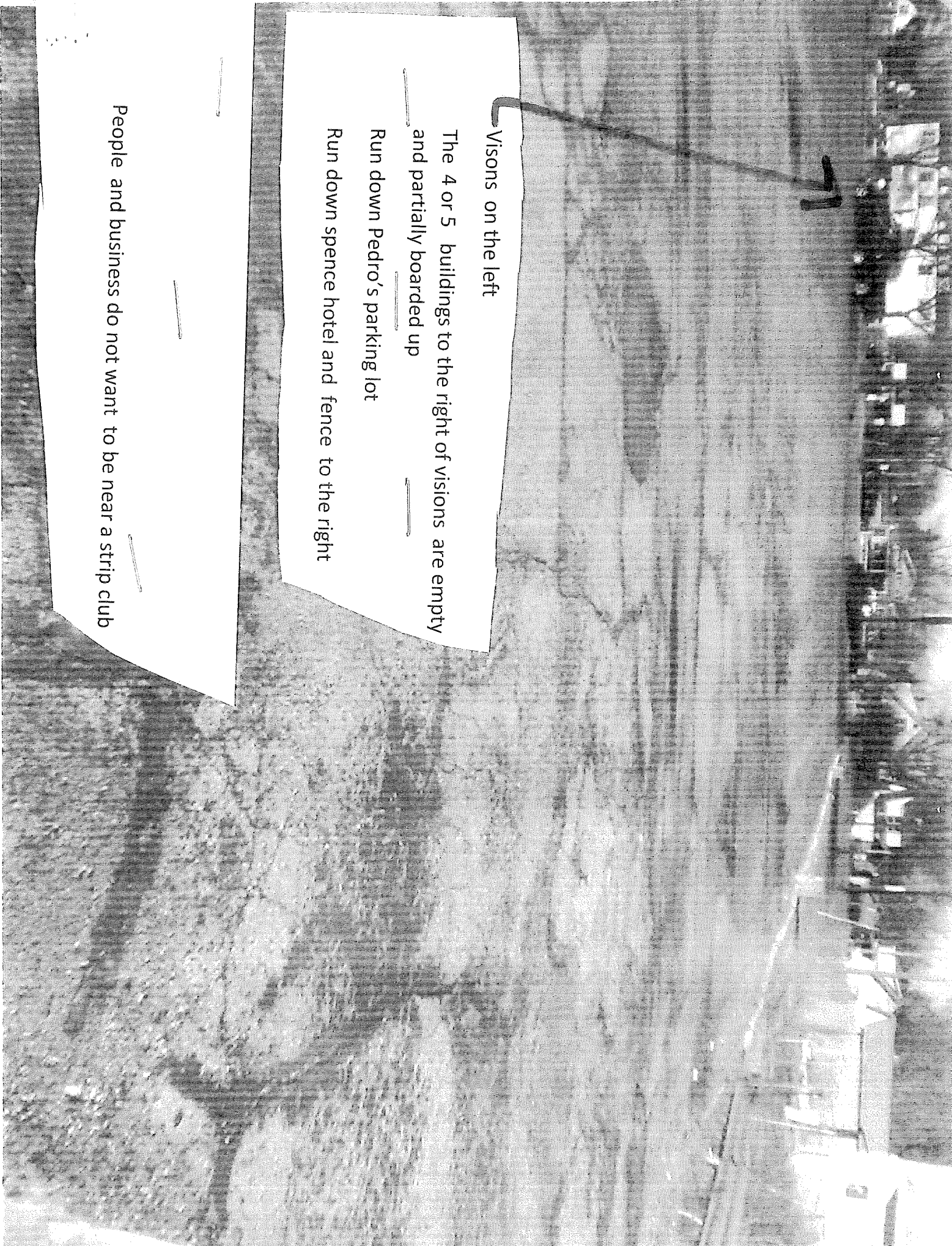
Wade was a Milwaukee alderman from 2003 to 2016.

Don Layden, Employ Milwaukee's board chair, said Wade has been put on administrative leave without pay. He said Wade informed him about the possibility of the charges about a week ago and they both felt it was appropriate for

Empty retail

Empty Gardner bakery next to this





Visions on the left

The 4 or 5 buildings to the right of visions are empty and partially boarded up

Run down Pedro's parking lot

Run down Spence hotel and fence to the right

People and business do not want to be near a strip club

Spence hotel sign



Run down spence hotel

