

Harbour View Rental Bike License Transfer

- Information was compiled April 3, 2024 for the discussion of (35) rental bicycle licenses being transferred from Harbour View Inn, LLC to new owners, Harbour View Mackinac, LLC
- Harbour View Mackinac, LLC and related companies acquired the business assets and real estate of Harbour View Inn, LLC as of March 12, 2024
- Going back to the minutes of the March 29, 1995 meeting of the Mackinac Island City Council, a request is recorded from Harbour View for 30 new rental bicycle licenses
 - o As of this date (and possibly before) LaChance Cottage or LaChance Bed & Breakfast held 35 rental bicycle licenses issued to the location of 6860 Main Street
 - o 1995 was the beginning of the research for Harbour View as this was the year the property began being operated as a hotel (per their website)

The following is what I could find regarding any restrictions being applied to rental bicycle licenses and the “transfer” of the 35 rental bicycle licenses from LaChance Bed and Breakfast to Harbour View Inn, both listed with the location of 6860 Main Street.

2005 (application of restrictions on rental bicycle licenses begin to appear)

- From the Minutes of the April 13, 2005 Redetermination Hearing
 - o Mackinac Wheels is submitted as a new business requesting 10 – 25 rental bike licenses
 - The minutes note that Mr. Fisher “said that he would be willing to revert any licenses back to the City of Mackinac Island if he no longer owned the business if there would be consideration for his new venture.”
 - o Also noted in these minutes that David Zeilinger “said that for eleven years the **Harbour View** has requested bike licenses to no avail.”
- From the Minutes of the April 13, 2005 Regular Meeting – “Motion by Putnam, second to the motion by Hart, to award James Fisher’s new business, Mackinac Wheels, 15 bicycle licenses, with the stipulation that should he abandon or sell or relinquish Mackinac Wheels at any time, the 15 bicycle licenses would revert back to the City of Mackinac Island. All in favor. Motion carried.”

2011 (the last year the 35 license were listed as issued to LaChance Bed & Breakfast)

- Ordinance No. 456 – Rental Bicycle License, approved May 18, 2011
 - o 35 Rental Bike Licenses, numbers 1190 – 1224, issued to LaChance Bed & Breakfast at the location of 6860 Main Street
- From the minutes of the April 25, 2011 Special Meeting Minutes – Mackinac Wheels is the only bike rental company listed to have restrictions applied

2012 (the first year the 35 licenses were listed as issued to Harbour View Inn)

- Minutes of the Public Hearing of the City of Mackinac Island held on April 4, 2012 states, “Letter dated March 27, 2012 received from Michelle Dean requesting a renewal of their 35-bike licenses.”
 - o Ordinance No. 462 – Rental Bicycle Licenses, approved April 18, 2012
 - 35 Rental Bike Licenses, numbers 1190 – 1224, issued to “Harbourview” at the location of 6860 Main Street
- From the minutes of the April 18, 2012 Special Meeting Minutes – Mackinac Wheels is the only bike rental company listed to have restrictions applied