

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD  
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 MEETING

IN THE MATTER OF:                   :  
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 LEGAL AGENDA                       :  
 LICENSING AGENDA                  :  
 APPLICATION DECISIONS            :

Thursday  
 January 14, 2021

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board  
 met via WebEx videoconference, Chairperson  
 Donovan W. Anderson presiding.

PRESENT:

DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson  
 BOBBY CATO, JR., Member  
 EDWARD S. GRANDIS, Member  
  
 JENI HANSEN, Member  
  
 JAMES SHORT, JR., Member

ALSO PRESENT:

SIMONE ANDREWS, DC ABRA Staff  
 FRED MOOSALLY, DC ABRA Director

1 P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S

2 1:54 p.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. I'm  
4 going to do our legal agenda. And the first  
5 matter on our legal agenda, it's the review of  
6 applicant's motion to dismiss protest. This is a  
7 protest in Liff's Market, License No. 088858. I  
8 make a motion that we grant the request. Is  
9 there a second?

10 MEMBER CATO: Cato seconds.

11 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Cato second  
12 the motion. We'll now have a roll call motion --  
13 we'll have a roll call vote on the motion that's  
14 been properly second by Mr. Cato. Mr. Short?

15 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short, I agree.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Cato?

17 MEMBER CATO: Bobby Cato, I agree.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen?

19 MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen, I agree.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis?

21 MEMBER GRANDIS: Ed Grandis, I agree.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson,  
23 I agree. The matter passes 5-0-0. The next  
24 matter is a review. We just granted this motion  
25 on the record. But on our legal agenda, it was a

1 review of applicant's motion to continue the  
2 protest hearing which is TMI International, Sip.  
3 The license number is 095164.

4 The Board on its calendar had granted  
5 the motion to continue. So I don't need to have  
6 a recorded roll call vote. So the Board had  
7 previously voted on its calendar by a vote of 5-  
8 0-0 to grant the motion.

9 The next matter on our legal agenda is  
10 the review of the protestant's opposition to a  
11 motion to continue in the Sip matter, License No.  
12 095164. Based on the Board determination on its  
13 calendar today to grant the continuance, this  
14 matter is now moot. This request is now moot.

15 The next matter on our legal agenda,  
16 it's a review of petition to terminate settlement  
17 agreement date October 8th, 2020. This is  
18 Murdrick's Supermarket, License No. 105822. I  
19 make a motion that we approve this request. Is  
20 there a second?

21 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short, second.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Short has  
23 second the motion. We'll now have a roll call  
24 vote on the motion that's been properly second by  
25 Mr. Short. Mr. Short?

1 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short, I agree.

2 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Cato?

3 MEMBER CATO: Bobby Cato, I agree.

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen?

5 MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen, I agree.

6 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis?

7 MEMBER GRANDIS: Ed Grandis, I agree.

8 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson,

9 I agree. The matter passes 5-0-0. The next  
10 matter on our legal agenda is a review of  
11 protestant's motion for leave to file amended  
12 exhibit form, dated January 13th, 2021. This is  
13 in the Safari Restaurant and Lounge protest  
14 matter, License No. 090424. I make a motion that  
15 we grant this request. Is there a second?

16 MEMBER GRANDIS: Ed Grandis.

17 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis has  
18 second the motion. We'll now have a roll call  
19 vote on the motion that was properly second by  
20 Mr. Grandis. Mr. Short?

21 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short, I agree.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Cato?

23 MEMBER CATO: Bobby Cato, I agree.

24 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen?

25 MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen, I agree.

1 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis?

2 MEMBER GRANDIS: Ed Grandis, I agree.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson,  
4 I agree. The matter passes 5-0-0. We now move  
5 to our licensing agenda. The first matter on our  
6 licensing agenda, it's a review request to store  
7 alcoholic beverage inventory offsite at Cubesmart  
8 Self Storage at 1200 Upshur Street, Northwest.  
9 The request has been made by Bottle House,  
10 License No. 116325. I make a motion that we  
11 approve this request. Is there a second?

12 MEMBER CATO: Bobby Cato, second.

13 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Cato has  
14 second the motion. We'll now have a roll call  
15 vote on the motion that has been properly second  
16 by Mr. Cato. Mr. Short?

17 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short, I agree.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Cato?

19 MEMBER CATO: Bobby Cato, I agree.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen?

21 MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen, I agree.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis?

23 MEMBER GRANDIS: Ed Grandis, I agree.

24 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson,  
25 I agree. The matter passes 5-0-0. The next

1 matter on our licensing agenda is a review  
2 request for a disposal permit to transport  
3 unopened alcoholic beverage inventory by the  
4 entity's sister restaurant. The request is being  
5 made by Circa at Chinatown, License No. 107615.  
6 I make a motion that we approve this request. Is  
7 there a second?

8 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short, I second.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Short has  
10 second the motion. We'll now have a roll call  
11 vote on the motion that was properly second by  
12 Mr. Short. Mr. Short?

13 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short, I agree.

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Cato?

15 MEMBER CATO: Bobby Cato, I agree.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen?

17 MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen, I agree.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis?

19 MEMBER GRANDIS: Ed Grandis, I agree.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson,

21 I agree. The matter passes 5-0-0. The next  
22 request on our licensing agenda is a review of  
23 the criminal history of applicant for employment  
24 at Abatin Wellness Center, License No. ABRA-  
25 117365/MMP00063. I make a motion that we approve

1 this request. Is there a second?

2 MEMBER GRANDIS: Ed Grandis.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis has  
4 second the motion. We'll now have a roll call  
5 vote on the motion that has been properly second  
6 by Mr. Grandis. Mr. Short?

7 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short, I agree.

8 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Cato?

9 MEMBER CATO: Bobby Cato, I agree.

10 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen?

11 MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen, I agree.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis?

13 MEMBER GRANDIS: Ed Grandis, I agree.

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson,  
15 I agree. The matter passes 5-0-0. The next  
16 request on our -- the next request -- we'll now  
17 move to our docket. Our docket, this is a  
18 request from a licensee requesting a change in  
19 their license.

20 The request is being made by Calvert  
21 Woodley Wine & Liquor, License No. 003730. They  
22 are a retailer, a liquor store, and the request  
23 is a stock transfer application. I make a motion  
24 that we approve this request. Is there a second?

25 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short, I second.

1 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Short has  
2 second the motion. We'll now have a roll call  
3 vote on the motion that's been properly second by  
4 Mr. Short. Mr. Short?

5 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short, I agree.

6 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Cato?

7 MEMBER CATO: Bobby Cato, I agree.

8 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen?

9 MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen, I agree.

10 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis?

11 MEMBER GRANDIS: Ed Grandis, I agree.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson,  
13 I agree. The matter therefore passes 5-0-0. We  
14 have come to the end of our agenda for this  
15 portion of the day. The Board then will be in  
16 recess until our 3:30 hearing.

17 We have a hearing at 3:30. And the  
18 Board will reconvene its public session at 3:30.  
19 I would also like to remind our Board members  
20 that the Board will have an executive session  
21 that the Board members should log on to an  
22 executive session at 3:00 o'clock.

23 But we'll have an executive session at  
24 3:00 o'clock and we will be in recess until our -  
25 - then we'll be in recess and we'll have our



1 public session at 3:30 this afternoon. So I will  
2 see the public at 3:30 today and I will see the  
3 Board members at 3:00 o'clock. So have a good  
4 afternoon until we reconvene at 3:00 for the  
5 executive session and 3:30 for the public  
6 session. Thank you very much. All right. Bye-  
7 bye.

8 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter  
9 went off the record at 2:02 p.m.)

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>A</b></p> <p><b>Abatin</b> 6:24  <b>above-entitled</b> 9:8  <b>ABRA</b> 1:21,22  <b>ABRA-</b> 6:24  <b>afternoon</b> 9:1,4  <b>agenda</b> 1:6,6 2:4,5,25  3:9,15 4:10 5:5,6 6:1  6:22 8:14  <b>agree</b> 2:15,17,19,21,23  4:1,3,5,7,9,21,23,25  5:2,4,17,19,21,23,25  6:13,15,17,19,21 7:7  7:9,11,13,15 8:5,7,9  8:11,13  <b>agreement</b> 3:17  <b>alcoholic</b> 1:2,10 5:7 6:3  <b>amended</b> 4:11  <b>Anderson</b> 1:11,14 2:3  2:11,16,18,20,22,22  3:22 4:2,4,6,8,8,17,22  4:24 5:1,3,3,13,18,20  5:22,24,24 6:9,14,16  6:18,20,20 7:3,8,10  7:12,14,14 8:1,6,8,10  8:12,12  <b>ANDREWS</b> 1:21  <b>applicant</b> 6:23  <b>applicant's</b> 2:6 3:1  <b>application</b> 1:7 7:23  <b>approve</b> 3:19 5:11 6:6  6:25 7:24</p>	<p>4:24 5:1,3,13,18,20  5:22,24 6:9,14,16,18  6:20 7:3,8,10,12,14  8:1,6,8,10,12  <b>change</b> 7:18  <b>Chinatown</b> 6:5  <b>Circa</b> 6:5  <b>COLUMBIA</b> 1:1  <b>come</b> 8:14  <b>continuance</b> 3:13  <b>continue</b> 3:1,5,11  <b>Control</b> 1:2,10  <b>criminal</b> 6:23  <b>Cubsmart</b> 5:7</p>	<p>7:10,11,11 8:8,9,9  <b>hearing</b> 3:2 8:16,17  <b>history</b> 6:23  <b>House</b> 5:9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>N</b></p> <p><b>need</b> 3:5  <b>Northwest</b> 5:8  <b>number</b> 3:3</p>
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Court Reporter

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