

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD
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ROLL CALL HEARING

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IN THE MATTER OF: :
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Nunez Property Mgt, LLC :
Buho's Restaurant :
3521 14th Street NW : Roll Call
Retailer CT : Hearing
License No. 115711 :
Case #23-PRO-00020 :
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(License Renewal) :
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Monday
March 6, 2023

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met via WebEx videoconference, LaVerne Fletcher, Board's Agent, presiding.

PRESENT:

LAVERNE FLETCHER, ABRA Board's Agent

ALSO PRESENT:

TIMOTHY BROOKINS, Protestant
BRANDON CYPRUS, Protestant
DAN DEGANE, Protestant
KIARA EARLE, Protestant
JESSICA MAI, Protestant
JESSICA McCLURE, Protestant
KYLASH RAMESH, Protestant
MARK RUSSELL, Protestant
LARRY WEI, Protestant

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

2 10:34 a.m.

3 MS. FLETCHER: The last case on the
4 calendar is Buho's Restaurant. This is Case
5 Number Case #23-PRO-00020, Nunez Property
6 Management, LLC, 3521 14th Street, NW, License
7 Number, ABRA 115711.

8 This is a retailer Class CT licence
9 renewal. The protest issues are adverse impact
10 on peace, order, and quiet, and residential
11 parking, and vehicular and pedestrian safety.

12 My name is Laverne Fletcher,
13 conducting the roll call hearing as the Board's
14 agent. Is anyone present on behalf of Buho's
15 Restaurant? Is anyone present of Buho's?

16 MR. CYPRESS: I'm online. My name is
17 Brandon.

18 MS. FLETCHER: Brandon, you're here
19 representing Buho's Restaurant?

20 MR. CYPRESS: Oh, no. Sorry.

21 MS. FLETCHER: Yeah, I'm asking is
22 anyone present on behalf of Buho's Restaurant?

23 MR. CYPRESS: Got you.

24 MS. FLETCHER: All right. We'll note
25 for the record that the owners for Buho's

1 actually appeared in person. So they were here
2 in person. So obviously they couldn't join us in
3 this session.

4 So I am not dismissing them, because
5 they came in person literally. But I just wanted
6 to check to see if they had been able to call in.
7 But I see they weren't able to call in. But they
8 were here.

9 We have a group of five or more. Is
10 anyone present on behalf of the group?

11 MS. MAI: Good morning, this is
12 Jessica Mai again.

13 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Ms. Mai.

14 MS. MAI: Last name is M-A-I.

15 MS. FLETCHER: And could you spell the
16 first name, please?

17 MS. MAI: J-E-S-S-I-C-A.

18 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you. Anyone
19 else?

20 MR. RUSSELL: Yeah, my name is Mark
21 Russell, spelled M-A-R-K R-U-S-S-E-L-L.

22 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr. Russell.
23 Anyone else present from the group today?

24 MR. BROOKINS: Yes, this is Timothy
25 Brookins, T-I-M-O-T-H-Y B-R-O-O-K-I-N-S.

1 MS. FLETCHER: Mr. Brookins, anybody
2 else?

3 MS. EARLE: Yes, this is Kiara Earle,
4 spelled K-I-A-R-A, last name, E-A-R-L-E.

5 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you.

6 MR. DEGAGNE: Dan Degagne, D-A-N, last
7 name, D-E-G-A-G-N-E.

8 MS. FLETCHER: Anyone else?

9 MR. WEI: Yeah, Larry Wei, W-E-I, L-A-
10 R-R-Y, space, W-I-E.

11 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you. Anyone
12 else?

13 MS. McCLURE: This is Jessica McClure,
14 J-E-S-S-I-C-A, last name, M-C-C-L-U-R-E.

15 MS. FLETCHER: Thanks, anybody else?

16 MR. RAMESH: This is Kylash Ramesh, K-
17 Y-L-A-S-H, last name, Ramesh, R-A-M-E-S-H.

18 MS. FLETCHER: Anyone else?

19 MR. CYPRESS: Brandon, B-R-A-N-D-O-N,
20 last name, C-Y-P-R-E-S-S.

21 MS. FLETCHER: Cypress?

22 MR. CYPRUS: Cypress, like C as in
23 cat, Y, as in --

24 MS. FLETCHER: Yes, thank you. Anyone
25 else?

1 (No audible response.)

2 MS. FLETCHER: I count nine, which
3 means that your group is granted full standing as
4 a protestant.

5 We need to set a date for a mediation,
6 a status hearing, and a protest hearing. I will
7 give you the dates for the status and protest
8 hearing first. The status hearing is scheduled
9 for April the 5th, April the 5th, 2023, at 10:30
10 a.m. The protest hearing is set for May the 10th,
11 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

12 I will give you the next available day
13 for mediation, and then I'll run whatever date
14 you choose by the Applicant and get back to you
15 to confirm. The next available day on the
16 calendar is, excuse me one second here, the next
17 available day is Thursday, March 23rd, anytime
18 between 10:00 and 1:30.

19 And Ms. Mai, you and/or Mr. Russell
20 will be appearing on behalf of the group for
21 mediation. Will anyone else be attending?

22 MR. RUSSELL: Yes, one of us will be
23 there. This is Mark Russell.

24 MS. FLETCHER: Okay, so we'll check --
25 uh-huh?

1 MR. RUSSELL: We are able to forward
2 it to the other people present today as well,
3 correct?

4 MS. FLETCHER: Yes.

5 MR. RUSSELL: Okay, great.

6 MS. FLETCHER: So does the 23rd,
7 anytime between 10:00 and 1:30 work for you, Mr.
8 Russell, or Ms. Mai?

9 MR. RUSSELL: You said April 23rd or
10 March 23rd?

11 MS. FLETCHER: March 23rd, that's a
12 Thursday. If not, we can keep moving through the
13 calendar. That's just the next available day.

14 MR. RUSSELL: March 23rd at what time?

15 MS. FLETCHER: Anytime between 10:00
16 and 1:30.

17 MR. RUSSELL: Okay. 10:00 a.m. or
18 actually, I'm sorry, when is the next date?

19 MS. FLETCHER: The next day is
20 Tuesday, March 28.

21 MR. RUSSELL: Yeah, that would be
22 better.

23 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Still anytime
24 between 10:00 and 1:30.

25 MR. RUSSELL: Okay. We can do, is

1 noon a possibility?

2 MS. FLETCHER: Yes.

3 MR. RUSSELL: Okay, let's do noon.

4 MS. FLETCHER: And so let me ask you
5 to do something. Because the Applicant is not
6 here, give me a second date that you would also
7 be available at noon. Would you be available
8 also at noon on March the 29th? That's the next
9 Wednesday, I mean, that's Wednesday.

10 MR. RUSSELL: I'm not, but Jessica,
11 are you available that day?

12 MS. MAI: Yes, 28 or 29 March at 12:00
13 p.m. Eastern Time works.

14 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. So I'm going
15 offer the Applicant the 28th at noon. And if for
16 some reason he's not available, then I will offer
17 him the 29th. And I'll get back to you to
18 confirm.

19 MR. RUSSELL: Okay, great. Thank you.

20 MS. FLETCHER: Any questions at all?
21 Okay. Well, in that case, no questions, the roll
22 call hearing in this matter is concluded. Thank
23 you for coming, and I'll see you in mediation.

24 MS. MAI: Great, thank you very much.

25 MS. FLETCHER: You're very welcome.

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went off the record at 10:44 a.m.)

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