

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD
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MEETING

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IN THE MATTER OF:
Taichi DC, LLC,
t/a Taichi Bubble Tea
1357 Wisconsin Ave NW : Protest Hearing
Retailer CR - ANC 2E : (Status)
License #124100
Case #23-PRO-00044
(Application for a New License)
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Wednesday
June 7, 2023

The Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis 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:

JOSE ORELLANA, DC ABCA Staff

C-O-N-T-E-N-T-S

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Protest Hearing (Status) Case # 23-PRO-00044 Taichi DC, LLC, t/a Taichi Bubble Tea 1357 Wisconsin Ave NW License #124100 Retailer CR ANC 2E Application for a New License Disposition: The Board cancelled the hearing due to the approval of a Settlement Agreement. See Board Order No. 2023-333. 10:30 AM	6

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

2 (10:48 a.m.)

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
4 we're on the record. I apologize for the late
5 start this morning. We had some internal work to
6 do, so I apologize that we started later this
7 morning. Good morning everyone.

8 As chairperson of the Alcoholic
9 Beverage and Cannabis Board for the District of
10 Columbia, and in accordance with D.C. Code
11 Section 2571(c) of the Open Meetings Act, OMA, I
12 am welcoming you to a regular scheduled meeting
13 of the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

14 This meeting is being conducted
15 pursuant to guidance made available by the
16 District of Columbia's Office of Open Government
17 regarding electronic meetings held by public
18 bodies. Electronic meetings by the ABC Board are
19 authorized pursuant to Section 257-7A of the D.C.
20 Code.

21 Pursuant to the OMA requirements,
22 notice of today's meeting was provided 48 hours
23 in advance of the meeting on ABCA's website and
24 on the District Central Meeting Calendar. The
25 notice includes the time, date, agenda and call-

1 in or login information for public participation.

2 This electronic meeting is being
3 hosted by a Webex account provided by the
4 District of Columbia government. Please address
5 any questions or complaints to the OOG at
6 opengovoffice@dc.gov.

7 My name is Donovan Anderson, I'm
8 chairperson of the board. I would like to
9 introduce the other members of the ABCA Board who
10 are also participating electronically. Please
11 respond when I announce your name. Mr. James
12 Short?

13 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. James Short,
14 present.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Bobby Cato?

16 MEMBER CATO: Mr. Cato, present.

17 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Jeni
18 Hansen?

19 MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen, present.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Edward
21 Grandis?

22 MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis,
23 present.

24 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The board has
25 five members in attendance for the conduct of

1 business today, and that constitutes a quorum.

2 Before we get underway with today's
3 hearing calendar, I need to make a few
4 instructions very clear so that the conduct of
5 this hearing is understood by everyone.

6 We have six cases on our morning
7 calendar today, and once a case is called I will
8 take a moment for our IT specialist to elevate
9 the rights of each party to enable their camera
10 and microphone. Then and only then will you have
11 the ability to enable your equipment. If your
12 case is not being heard, you will remain mute and
13 your camera will be disabled.

14 At the conclusion of each case, the
15 parties will have the option to leave. If the
16 party chooses to stay, all cameras and
17 microphones for the concluded case will be
18 disabled. Should you have any questions or
19 require technical assistance through the hearing,
20 please submit them using the question and answer
21 feature.

22 And I know that there are a lot of
23 folks online today to participate in our public
24 hearing today but I'm going to go through my
25 calendar, which should run quickly, and once I've

1 gone through the calendar, then I will call the
2 participants for the public hearing.

3 So as per our public calendar, the
4 first case in our calendar is a protest hearing
5 status, Case Number 23-PRO-00044, Taichi Bubble
6 Tea, License Number 124100.

7 This case has been canceled due to the
8 approval of a settlement agreement. See Board
9 Order Number 2023-333.

10 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
11 went off the record at 10:51 a.m.)
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