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10:47 a.m.

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3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning  
4 everyone. As chairperson of the Alcoholic  
5 Beverage Control Board for the District of  
6 Columbia in accordance with D.C. official code  
7 section 2576 of the Open Meetings Act, I am  
8 welcoming you to the regular scheduled meeting of  
9 the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. This  
10 meeting is being conducted pursuant to guidance  
11 made available by the District of Columbia's  
12 Office of Open Government regarding electronic  
13 meetings held by public bodies during a public  
14 health emergency.

15 Pursuant to this guidance, notice of  
16 today's meeting was provided 48 hours in advance  
17 of the meeting on ABRA's website, and on the  
18 district's central meeting calendar. The notice  
19 included the time, date, agenda, and call in, or  
20 login information for public participation. This  
21 electronic meeting is being hosted by a Webex  
22 account provided by the District of Columbia  
23 government. Please address any questions, or  
24 complaints to the OOG at [opengovoffice@dc.gov](mailto:opengovoffice@dc.gov). My  
25 name is Donovan Anderson, I'm chairman of the

1 board. I would like to introduce the other  
2 members of the ABC board who are also  
3 participating electronically pursuant to Mayor's  
4 Order 2020-054, please respond when I announce  
5 your name. Mr. James Short.

6 MEMBER SHORT: Mr. James Short,  
7 present.

8 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Bobby Cato.

9 MEMBER CATO: Bobby Cato, present.

10 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Rafi  
11 Crockett.

12 MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett,  
13 present.

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Jeni Hansen.

15 MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen, present.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Edward  
17 Grandis. I cannot hear you Mr. Grandis.

18 MEMBER GRANDIS: Good morning, Edward  
19 Grandis, present.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning.

21 The board has six members in attendance for the  
22 conduct of business today, that constitutes a  
23 quorum. Before we get underway with today's  
24 hearing calendar, I need to make a few  
25 instructions very clear so that the conduct of

1 these hearings is understood by everyone. There  
2 are six cases scheduled for this morning's  
3 calendar. Once your case is called, I will take  
4 a moment for our IT specialist to elevate the  
5 rights for each party to enable their camera, and  
6 microphone. Then, and only then, will you have  
7 the ability to enable your equipment.

8 If your case is not being heard, you  
9 will remain mute, and your camera will be  
10 disabled. At the conclusion of each case, the  
11 parties will have the option to leave. If a  
12 party chooses to stay, all cameras and  
13 microphones for the concluded case will be  
14 disabled. Should you have any questions, or  
15 require technical assistance during this hearing,  
16 please submit them using the question and answer  
17 feature, or email [simoneandrews@dc.gov](mailto:simoneandrews@dc.gov). Our first  
18 order of business today is our show cause hearing  
19 status calendar, case number 21-CMP-00015, the  
20 Gold Room Bar and Lounge, license number 114757.  
21 This hearing is canceled, the parties entered  
22 into an offer in compromise on May 19th, 2021.  
23 See Board Order number 2021-299.

24 (Whereupon, the above-entitled  
25 proceedings went off the record at 10:51 a.m.)

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>A</b></p> <p>a.m 2:2 4:25  <b>ABC</b> 3:2  <b>ability</b> 4:7  <b>above-entitled</b> 4:24  <b>ABRA</b> 1:22  <b>ABRA's</b> 2:17  <b>account</b> 2:22  <b>Act</b> 2:7  <b>address</b> 2:23  <b>advance</b> 2:16  <b>agenda</b> 2:19  <b>Alcoholic</b> 1:2,14 2:4,9  <b>ALIYA</b> 1:18  <b>ANC</b> 1:8  <b>Anderson</b> 1:15,17 2:3  2:25 3:8,10,14,16,20  <b>ANDREWS</b> 1:22  <b>announce</b> 3:4  <b>answer</b> 4:16  <b>assistance</b> 4:15  <b>attendance</b> 3:21  <b>available</b> 2:11</p>	<p><b>concluded</b> 4:13  <b>conclusion</b> 4:10  <b>conduct</b> 3:22,25  <b>conducted</b> 2:10  <b>constitutes</b> 3:22  <b>Control</b> 1:2,14 2:5,9  <b>Crockett</b> 1:18 3:11,12  3:12  <b>CT</b> 1:8</p>	<p><b>instructions</b> 3:25  <b>introduce</b> 3:1</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>J</b></p> <p><b>James</b> 1:20 3:5,6  <b>Jeni</b> 1:19 3:14,15  <b>JR</b> 1:18,20  <b>June</b> 1:12</p>	<p><b>participating</b> 3:3  <b>participation</b> 2:20  <b>parties</b> 4:11,21  <b>party</b> 4:5,12  <b>please</b> 2:23 3:4 4:16  <b>present</b> 1:16,21 3:7,9  3:13,15,19  <b>presiding</b> 1:15  <b>proceedings</b> 4:25  <b>provided</b> 2:16,22  <b>public</b> 2:13,13,20  <b>pursuant</b> 2:10,15 3:3</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>B</b></p> <p><b>Bar</b> 1:6 4:20  <b>Bar/Lounge</b> 1:7  <b>Beverage</b> 1:2,14 2:5,9  <b>board</b> 1:2,14 2:5,9 3:1,2  3:21 4:23  <b>Bobby</b> 1:18 3:8,9  <b>bodies</b> 2:13  <b>business</b> 3:22 4:18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>D</b></p> <p><b>D.C</b> 2:6  <b>date</b> 2:19  <b>DC</b> 1:22  <b>disabled</b> 4:10,14  <b>District</b> 1:1 2:5,11,22  <b>district's</b> 2:18  <b>Donovan</b> 1:15,17 2:25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>K</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>L</b></p> <p><b>leave</b> 4:11  <b>license</b> 1:8 4:20  <b>LLC</b> 1:6  <b>login</b> 2:20  <b>Lounge</b> 1:6 4:20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Q</b></p> <p><b>question</b> 4:16  <b>questions</b> 2:23 4:14  <b>quorum</b> 3:23</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>C</b></p> <p><b>calendar</b> 2:18 3:24 4:3  4:19  <b>call</b> 2:19  <b>called</b> 4:3  <b>camera</b> 4:5,9  <b>cameras</b> 4:12  <b>canceled</b> 4:21  <b>case</b> 1:9 4:3,8,10,13,19  <b>cases</b> 4:2  <b>Cato</b> 1:18 3:8,9,9  <b>cause</b> 1:7 4:18  <b>central</b> 2:18  <b>chairman</b> 2:25  <b>chairperson</b> 1:14,17  2:3,4 3:8,10,14,16,20  <b>chooses</b> 4:12  <b>clear</b> 3:25  <b>code</b> 2:6  <b>Columbia</b> 1:1 2:6,22  <b>Columbia's</b> 2:11  <b>complaints</b> 2:24  <b>Comply</b> 1:10  <b>compromise</b> 4:22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>E</b></p> <p><b>Edward</b> 1:19 3:16,18  <b>electronic</b> 2:12,21  <b>electronically</b> 3:3  <b>elevate</b> 4:4  <b>email</b> 4:17  <b>emergency</b> 2:14  <b>enable</b> 4:5,7  <b>entered</b> 4:21  <b>equipment</b> 4:7</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>M</b></p> <p><b>MATTER</b> 1:5  <b>Mayor's</b> 1:10 3:3  <b>meeting</b> 1:3 2:8,10,16  2:17,18,21  <b>meetings</b> 2:7,13  <b>Member</b> 1:18,18,19,19  1:20 3:6,9,12,15,18  <b>members</b> 3:2,21  <b>met</b> 1:14  <b>microphone</b> 4:6  <b>microphones</b> 4:13  <b>moment</b> 4:4  <b>morning</b> 2:3 3:18,20  <b>morning's</b> 4:2  <b>mute</b> 4:9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>R</b></p> <p><b>Rafi</b> 1:18 3:10,12  <b>record</b> 4:25  <b>regarding</b> 2:12  <b>regular</b> 2:8  <b>remain</b> 4:9  <b>require</b> 4:15  <b>respond</b> 3:4  <b>Retailer</b> 1:8  <b>rights</b> 4:5  <b>Room</b> 1:6,7 4:20</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>H</b></p> <p><b>H</b> 1:7  <b>Hansen</b> 1:19 3:14,15,15  <b>health</b> 2:14  <b>hear</b> 3:17  <b>heard</b> 4:8  <b>hearing</b> 1:8 3:24 4:15  4:18,21  <b>hearings</b> 4:1  <b>held</b> 2:13  <b>hosted</b> 2:21  <b>hours</b> 2:16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>O</b></p> <p><b>offer</b> 4:22  <b>Office</b> 2:12  <b>official</b> 2:6  <b>Once</b> 4:3  <b>OOG</b> 2:24  <b>Open</b> 2:7,12  <b>opengovoffice@dc.g...</b>  2:24  <b>option</b> 4:11  <b>order</b> 3:4 4:18,23  <b>Orders</b> 1:10</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>T</b></p> <p><b>t/a</b> 1:6  <b>technical</b> 4:15  <b>today</b> 3:22 4:18  <b>today's</b> 2:16 3:23</p>
		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>P</b></p> <p><b>P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S</b>  2:1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>U</b></p> <p><b>understood</b> 4:1  <b>underway</b> 3:23</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>V</b></p>

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