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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD
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HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF: :

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Georgetown Suites, LLC / : Wabbit, LLC, : t/a Georgetown Inn West :

End/Casta's Rum Bar :
1121 New Hampshire Ave NW: Show

1121 New Hampshire Ave NW: Show Cause Retailer CR - ANC 2A : Hearing

License #109462 : Case # 24-CMP-00010 :

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(Failed to Comply With : Settlement Agreement) :

Wednesday
July 10, 2024

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

PRESENT:

DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson SILAS GRANT, JR., Member JAMES SHORT, JR., Member

ALSO PRESENT:

JOSE ORELLANA, DC ABCA Staff MATTHEW W. BROWN, DC OAG CAMERON MIXON, Licensee Counsel

1	P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S			
2	11:03 a.m.			
3	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next case			
4	on our calendar is Case Number 24-CMP-00010,			
5	Georgetown West End, Casta's Rum Bar, License			
6	Number 109462.			
7	Mr. Orellana, can you please elevate			
8	the rights of the parties in this case?			
9	MR. ORELLANA: Am I looking at the			
10	same list as you?			
11	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next case			
12	is show cause hearing for Georgetown West End,			
13	Casta's Rum Bar, Mr. Mixon. And I'm not sure			
14	MR. ORELLANA: Was the hearing			
15	rescheduled?			
16	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: No. I'm			
17	calling the case here.			
18	MR. ORELLANA: Okay.			
19	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The parties			
20	should be there.			
21	MR. ORELLANA: Gotcha.			
22	(Simultaneous speaking.)			
23	MR. ORELLANA: Cameron Mixon, your			
24	access has been elevated.			
25	And that appears oh, Matthew Brown,			

1	your access has been elevated.				
2	That appears to be all, Chairman.				
3	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you.				
4	Good morning, everyone. Mr. Brown,				
5	can you please spell and state your name for the				
6	record?				
7	MR. BROWN: Matthew Brown on behalf of				
8	the District, M-A-T-T-H-E-W, B-R-O-W-N.				
9	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,				
10	Mr. Mixon.				
11	MR. MIXON: Good morning. Cameron				
12	Mixon, The Veritas Law Firm, Counsel to the				
13	Licensee. That's C-A-M-E-R-O-N, M-I-X-O-N.				
14	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.				
15	Thank you.				
16	All right. Mr. Brown, are there any				
17	preliminary matters in this case?				
18	MR. BROWN: Yes, Mr. Chair. The				
19	parties were able to come to agreement this				
20	morning, so we have the OIC here. I will submit				
21	it to the Board. We're happy to read it into the				
22	record or just present it here for your				
23	acceptance.				
24	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: What I will ask				
25	you to do, sir, is to read it in the record. I				

will ask Mr. Mixon if this is his understanding. If he confirms it, then the Board will accept the offer in compromise on the record, which is the way we used to do it in the olden days prior to these virtual hearings.

So you can read what's the offer in compromise in the record, sir.

MR. BROWN: Okay. Offer in compromise for Board approval -- the District of Columbia jointly with the license respondent submits this offer in compromise to the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board as authorized by 23 DCMR 1604.5 for approval by the Board.

The parties understand that if the Board approves the OIC, appeal and judicial review are waived under 23 DCMR Section 1611.6. Scheduling hearings will be vacated, and the case will be -- will conclude. Respondent will be obligated to abide by the fine, suspension, or other OIC terms shown below.

If the Board does not approve the OIC, the matter will be continued to the scheduled show cause hearing on the date to be determined. Respondent has been advised that there is no obligation to accept the OIC. Respondent has

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been advised through service of notice status hearing and show cause hearing that at a show cause hearing, Respondent will be represented by legal counsel, have subpoenas issued to require production of witnesses and evidence, produce witnesses and evidence, cross-examine witnesses, and apply to the Board for a qualified interpreter.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Just -- all you need to do, Mr. Brown -- just tell me what the charge is and what the terms -- what are the settlement terms, sir.

MR. BROWN: Oh. Okay. Yes. So the charges were -- it was a failure to follow a settlement agreement and joint stipulation in violation of D.C. Code 25-446.01. And we took proposed action under D.C. Code 25-823(a)(6). The settlement terms was just a warning for this infraction, sir.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: There is a warning.

So, Mr. Mixon, it's my understanding that there is an offer in compromise, and the Government has agreed that the terms are a written warning will be issued, sir. Is this

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1	your understanding of the offer in compromise,			
2	sir?			
3	MR. MIXON: That is our understanding			
4	as well.			
5	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Is your client			
6	aware that by accepting that offer in compromise,			
7	that they're giving up their right to a hearing?			
8	MR. MIXON: They are.			
9	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Is your client			
10	also aware that by accepting an offer in			
11	compromise, that they're giving up their right to			
12	appeal this matter?			
13	MR. MIXON: They are.			
14	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Okay. With			
15	that said, I make a motion that the offer in			
16	compromise be accepted. Is there a second?			
17	MEMBER GRANT: Motion.			
18	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grant has			
19	seconded the motion. We'll have a roll call			
20	vote.			
21	Mr. Short?			
22	MEMBER SHORT: Agree.			
23	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grant?			
24	MEMBER GRANT: Mr. Grant. I agree.			
25	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson.			

1	I agree. The matter passed three to zero. The
2	offer in compromise has been accepted.
3	Thank you very much. Have a great
4	day.
5	MR. BROWN: Thank you.
6	(Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
7	went off the record at 11:08 a.m.)
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