

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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Hornblower Cruises :
and Events, LLC :
t/a Odyssey Cruises :
600 Water Street SW #D : Roll Call
Retailer C Marine : Hearing
Vessel - ANC 6D :
License No. 022107 :
Case #22-PRO-00077 :
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(License Renewal) :
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Monday
August 8, 2022

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

PRESENT:

LAVERNE FLETCHER, ABRA Board's Agent

ALSO PRESENT:

MATTHEW MINORA, Applicant Counsel

EDWARD DANIELS, ANC 6D

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

2 (10:25 a.m.)

3 MS. FLETCHER: The next case on the
4 calendar is Hornblower Cruises and Events, LLC
5 trading as Odyssey Cruises, case no. 22-PRO-
6 00077, 600 Water Street SW, #D, license number
7 ABRA 022107. This is a retailer class C marine
8 vessel license renewal. The protest issues are
9 adverse impact on peace, order, and quiet. Who
10 is present on behalf of the Applicant, please?

11 MR. MINORA: I am, Ms. Fletcher. My
12 name is Matthew Minora from the Law Firm of
13 Mallios, O'Brien, and Sandground. M-A-T-T-H-E-W
14 M-I-N-O-R-A.

15 MS. FLETCHER: Mr. Minora, would you
16 spell O'Brien and Mallios?

17 MR. MINORA: Sure. Mallios is M-A-L-
18 L-I-O-S. O'Brien is O apostrophe B-R-I-E-N.

19 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, very much.
20 Present on behalf of ANC 6D?

21 MR. DANIELS: Edward Daniels, Chair
22 ANC 6d. Edward, E-D-W-A-R-D, Daniels, D-A-N-I-E-
23 L-S.

24 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr. Daniels.
25 ANC 6D does have standing as a Protestant. We

1 need to set a date for mediation, a status
2 hearing, and a protest hearing.

3 MR. DANIELS: And we'd also, I'm
4 sorry, Ms. Fletcher. We'd also be withdrawing
5 this protest today.

6 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Mr. Daniels, I
7 have made a note of that. I will go ahead and
8 schedule the mediation for that one as well on
9 August 18 at 1:30.

10 MR. DANIELS: Okay.

11 MS. FLETCHER: Is that okay with you,
12 Mr. Minora?

13 MR. MINORA: Yes, it is. Thank you.

14 MS. FLETCHER: The date that has been
15 scheduled for the status hearing and protest
16 hearing. The status hearing has been scheduled
17 for September 28 at 10:30, the protest hearing
18 has been scheduled for October 26 at 1:30. If
19 there are no questions in this matter, the roll
20 call hearing in this matter is concluded.

21 MR. MINORA: Thank you, Ms. Fletcher,
22 and if I could just ask a question while Chair
23 Daniels is here. I was just wondering if the
24 Gordon Ramsey Fish and Chips establishment will
25 be handled at a later roll call date. I just

1 wanted to make sure that it didn't fall through
2 the cracks. They're all at the same time.

3 MS. FLETCHER: I'm sorry. Can you say
4 that one more time, Mr. Minora.

5 MR. MINORA: There was another
6 application that came out around the same time.
7 It was Gordon Ramsey Fish and Chips. It's
8 located right near the Hell's Kitchen
9 establishment, and I believe the placard will be
10 as well. I just wanted to make sure that was
11 included as well or if it was supposed to be, but
12 there was discussion of that in the email string
13 last week, and I just didn't notice it on the
14 updated calendar.

15 MS. FLETCHER: I'm going to try to
16 increase my volume. For some reason it has gone
17 down. Excuse me one second. Mr. Minora, can you
18 repeat that one more time. I'm sorry.

19 MR. MINORA: I was just inquiring
20 about the status of the license applicant GRNA FC
21 of DC, LLC, license number 121423. I just wasn't
22 sure if that was supposed to be included in this
23 hearing or if it's going to be dealt with at a
24 later date.

25 MS. FLETCHER: Well, it was supposed

1 to be included with this hearing, yes. But, Mr.
2 Minora, any particular reason why you were
3 thinking it would be at a later date?

4 MR. MINORA: I didn't see it on this
5 updated calendar, so that's what I wanted to do
6 is make sure it didn't administratively get mixed
7 because there are a lot of similarly named
8 applicants all at the same time and similar
9 addresses.

10 MR. DANIELS: I'm sorry, Ms. Fletcher.
11 I know that -- I'm sorry, go ahead.

12 MS. FLETCHER: I'm sorry. I'm going
13 to answer Mr. Minora's question. So, Mr. Minora,
14 the calendar was updated at the very last minute.
15 So, it's on there now, and I sent an updated
16 calendar to you and Mr. Daniels, but it was at
17 the very last minute so you may not have seen it
18 yet.

19 MR. MINORA: Okay. Sorry about that,
20 then.

21 MS. FLETCHER: That's okay. I sent it
22 at the very last minute because you know this all
23 happened at the last minute. So, you'll see a
24 copy of it. Mr. Daniels, what were --

25 MR. DANIELS: Thank you. I also guess

1 I didn't see the update as well. But, yeah, I
2 know that that one, if there was a protest, we
3 will be withdrawing that protest as well because
4 we voted to support that license application.

5 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. I'm going to go
6 back to that case, and I'm going to make a note
7 of that, Mr. Daniels. That is one that you
8 intend to withdraw?

9 MR. DANIELS: Yes.

10 MS. FLETCHER: I have made a note of
11 that. So, that mediation is set for September 6
12 at 1:30 and will, of course, be cancelled once we
13 receive the withdrawal.

14 MR. MINORA: To be clear, I'm not
15 talking about the Hell's Kitchen application that
16 we discussed earlier. I'm talking about the
17 Gordon Ramsey Fish and Chips application.

18 MR. DANIELS: So, Ms. Fletcher, I'm
19 sorry.

20 MS. FLETCHER: I thought that was it.

21 MR. DANIELS: No, that was Hell's
22 Kitchen. I don't see Fish and Chips on the
23 updated schedule that you sent out.

24 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Because,
25 actually, Mr. Minora, that's what I thought we

1 were talking about when you mentioned. Okay. I
2 understand what you're saying. Okay. So, Hell's
3 Kitchen, I mean, Fish and Chips is not on the
4 calendar today. Mr. Minora, that's what you were
5 referring to.

6 MR. MINORA: Correct. But if it's
7 just going to be added to a roll call hearing for
8 next week, and Commissioner Daniels said they're
9 going to withdraw the protest anyway, then it's
10 all moot. I just wanted to make sure it didn't -
11 - I didn't want it to not get addressed either
12 this week or next week.

13 MS. FLETCHER: What I will do, so, Mr.
14 Daniels, do you intend to withdraw Fish and Chips
15 as well?

16 MR. DANIELS: Yes. We'll be
17 withdrawing the protest today as well.

18 MS. FLETCHER: I'm just going to make
19 a note of that. And that's Gordon Ramsey, right?

20 MR. DANIELS: Yes. Correct.

21 MS. FLETCHER: So, if you do that it
22 won't make it to a roll call hearing calendar.
23 I've made a note that that withdrawal is coming.

24 MR. DANIELS: Yes. Thank you. And,
25 Matt, I will make sure to copy you on all of

1 these withdrawal letters as well.

2 MR. MINORA: Thank you, so much. I
3 appreciate it.

4 MS. FLETCHER: Mr. Minora, thanks for
5 bringing that up. I know which case you're
6 referring to.

7 MR. MINORA: Thank you.

8 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
9 went off the record at 10:34 a.m.)

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