

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD
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 ROLL CALL HEARING

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 IN THE MATTER OF: :
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 NG Liquor Enterprises, :
 LLC, t/a Sav-on-Liquors :
 1534 14th Street NW :
 Retailer A ANC 2F : Roll Call
 License #116481 : Hearing
 Case #24-PRO-00098 :
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 (Transfer to New :
 Location - from 1414 :
 14th Street NW to 1534 :
 14th Street NW) :
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Tuesday
 October 15, 2024

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

PRESENT:

LAVERNE FLETCHER, ABC Board's Agent

ALSO PRESENT:

JOE FLORIO, ANC 2F03
 MANALLE MAHMOUD, Licensee's Counsel
 DARREL RIPPEAU, Protestant
 JUDY RIPPEAU, Protestant

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

2 10:07 a.m.

3 MS. FLETCHER: Good morning, everyone.

4 Thank you for participating in ABCA's roll call
5 hearing via the WebEx platform. My name is
6 LaVerne Fletcher. I will be conducting the roll
7 call hearing as the Board's agent.

8 I am hearing something in somebody's
9 background. We are going to need you to put
10 yourself on mute. Your phone number ends in 23.
11 Please mute yourself. Your phone number ends in
12 23.

13 There are four cases on the calendar
14 today. The first case on the calendar is Sav-on-
15 Liquors, Case Number 24-PRO-00098, NG Liquor
16 Enterprises, 1534 14th Street NW, License Number
17 ABRA-116481. This is a Retailer Class A liquor
18 store where it transferred to a new location from
19 1414 14th Street NW to 1534 14th Street NW. My
20 name is LaVerne Fletcher conducting the roll call
21 hearing as the Board's agent. Is anyone present
22 on behalf of Sav-on-Liquors?

23 MS. MAHMOUD: Hi. Good morning, Ms.
24 Fletcher. This is Manalle Mahmoud from Mallios,
25 O'Brien, Sandground on behalf of NG Liquor. M-A-

1 N-A-L-L-E, M-A-H-M-O-U-D.

2 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Ms. Mahmoud.
3 Is anyone present on behalf of ANC 2F?

4 MR. FLORIO: Yes. Hello, this is Joe
5 Florio, Commissioner for ANC 2F03.

6 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Commissioner.
7 Would you spell your name for the record, please?

8 MR. FLORIO: Yes, first name Joe, J-O-
9 E, last name Florio, F-L-O-R-I-O.

10 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you very much. We
11 also have some abutting property owners. Is
12 anyone present on behalf of the abutting property
13 owners?

14 MR. RIPPETEAU: Yes, Darrel and Judy
15 Rippeteau share a party wall with 1534. We live
16 at 1530 14th Street NW.

17 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you very much.
18 Mr. Rippeteau, would you spell your name for the
19 record, please?

20 MR. RIPPETEAU: Yes, Judy is J-U-D-Y,
21 Darrel is D-A-R-R-E-L, and Rippeteau is R-I-P-P-
22 E-T-E-A-U.

23 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you very much.
24 ANC 2F has standing as a protestant. Mr. and
25 Mrs. Rippeteau, you two as well. I checked the

1 DC Geographic Information System, and your
2 properties are abutting and so you have standing
3 as protestants. I am hearing something in the
4 background. It sounds like you, Mr. Barnes.

5 MR. BARNES: Okay, that may be
6 outdoors. I may mute.

7 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you. Thank you
8 very much. We need to set a date for a status
9 hearing, a protest hearing, and a mediation. I
10 will give you the dates for the status and
11 protest hearing first. The status hearing is
12 scheduled for November 6, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. The
13 protest hearing is set for December 11, 2024 at
14 1:30 p.m. I will give you the next available day
15 for mediation. The next available day for
16 mediation is Tuesday, October 29 anytime between
17 10:30 and 1:30. That is Tuesday, October 29,
18 that is the next available day.

19 MS. MAHMOUD: Ms. Fletcher, if there is
20 anything available a little bit closer to the
21 status hearing, is that possible? We are --

22 MS. FLETCHER: Yes.

23 MS. MAHMOUD: -- so that we will settle
24 this --

25 MS. FLETCHER: Okay.

1 MS. MAHMOUD: -- a bit more time would
2 be great.

3 MS. FLETCHER: Then how about Monday,
4 November 4 at 1:30?

5 MS. MAHMOUD: That works with me if it
6 works for the protestants.

7 MR. FLORIO: That works for the ANC.

8 MS. FLETCHER: Rippeteaus does that
9 work as well? Did someone ask me a question?
10 Ms. Rippeteau, did you say something? Are you
11 are on mute

12 MS. RIPPETEAU: We are requesting
13 November 4th instead of November 6th, is that
14 correct?

15 MS. FLETCHER: We are requesting
16 November 4 at 1:30 for the mediation. The status
17 hearing is on November 6th at 10:30. The
18 mediation is November 4 at 1:30.

19 MS. RIPPETEAU: We are just checking
20 our calendar.

21 MS. FLETCHER: Okay.

22 MR. RIPPETEAU: Which one did we want
23 to change?

24 MS. FLETCHER: We are not changing
25 either one. There are two things, the status

1 hearing is on November 6, 2024.

2 MR. RIPPETEAU: All right.

3 MS. FLETCHER: The mediation, the
4 proposed date, is Monday, November 4 at 1:30 in
5 the afternoon. If the matter is resolved in
6 mediation then there will not be a need for a
7 status hearing.

8 MR. RIPPETEAU: Okay. I misunderstood.
9 I thought mediation was set for October 29th. I
10 somehow misunderstood.

11 MS. FLETCHER: Oh, oh, okay. Yes, that
12 was the initial date that I proposed. Okay, you
13 considered it a change. We were just trying to
14 find a date we did not set it yet.

15 MR. RIPPETEAU: Okay.

16 MS. FLETCHER: So I proposed October 29
17 first, and then Ms. Mahmoud proposed November 4.
18 So now we are looking at November 4 because
19 apparently there is a good chance this matter
20 will be resolved, and so we pushed the mediation
21 date out as far as possible. If that is not good
22 for you you can let us know.

23 MR. RIPPETEAU: November 4th is fine.
24 I'm sorry, I misunderstood completely. I thought
25 there was a request to move the date nearer, but

1 November 4th is just fine.

2 MS. FLETCHER: You are right, the
3 initial date that I proposed was October 29th. I
4 did propose that date, but there was a request to
5 move it to November 4th.

6 MR. RIPPETEAU: November 4th is just
7 fine. Thank you very much.

8 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Well, thank you
9 very much. I will send you the WebEx invitations
10 for the mediation on November 4th at 1:30. Any
11 questions anyone?

12 MS. MAHMOUD: No. Thank you so much,
13 Ms. Fletcher.

14 MS. FLETCHER: Well, you are very
15 welcome and I will see you on November 4th maybe.
16 If the settlement agreement is signed you can
17 just send it in and we will cancel the mediation.

18 MR. RIPPETEAU: Could I ask you a
19 question?

20 MS. FLETCHER: Yes.

21 MR. RIPPETEAU: Is it on the television
22 -- is it on the computer or would it be in a
23 meeting? Do we --

24 MS. FLETCHER: Well, it is going to be
25 the same as today by WebEx. I will send out the

1 WebEx invite and if we have the mediation I will
2 see you right here on the 4th.

3 MR. RIPPETEAU: Thank you very much.

4 MS. FLETCHER: You are very welcome.

5 Okay. The roll call hearing in this matter is
6 concluded. Thank you.

7 MR. RIPPETEAU: Thank you.

8 MS. FLETCHER: You are very welcome.

9 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
10 went off the record at 10:16 a.m.)
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