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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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NAI Saturn Eastern, LLC, :

t/a Safeway

1701 Corcoran St NW : Roll Call Retailer Class B ANC 2B: Hearing

License #ABRA-105295 : Case #23-PRO-00090 :

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(License Renewal) :

Tuesday
December 26, 2023

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:

AMY BURKE, Applicant's Counsel VINCENT SLATT, ANC 2B ZACHARY WILLIAMS, Applicant's Counsel

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

10:08 a.m.

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MS. FLETCHER: Good morning, everyone.

My name is Laverne Fletcher. I'll be conducting
the roll call hearing as the board's agent. I'd
like to thank everyone for participating in

ABCA's roll call hearing via the WebEx platform.

There are four cases on the calendar today.

The first case on the calendar is Safeway NAI Saturn Eastern, LLC, case number 23-PRO-00090, 1701 Corcoran Street, NW, license number ABRA-105295. This is a Retailer Class B grocery for a license renewal. The protest issues are ABRA's impact on peace, order, and quiet. Is anyone present on behalf of Safeway?

MR. WILLIAMS: Yes, good morning, Ms. Fletcher, Zach Williams from the law firm of Venable representing Safeway. Amy Burke is here as well, in-house counsel for Safeway.

MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr. Williams. Would you spell your name for the record, please?

MR. WILLIAMS: Yes, it's Zachary Z-A-C-H-A-R-Y and then Williams W-I-L-I-A-M-S.

MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, and who is

1	present on behalf of
2	MS. BURKE: Amy Burke, A-M-Y B-U-R-K-
3	E.
4	MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Ms. Burke.
5	Is anyone present on behalf of ANC 2B?
6	MR. SLATT: Good morning, I'm
7	Commissioner Vincent Slatt, V-I-N-C-E-N-T, last
8	name Slatt S-L-A-T-T, Commissioner 2B03. Good
9	morning.
10	MS. FLETCHER: Good morning. Thank
11	you, Mr. Slatt.
12	MR. SLATT: It's nice to see you
13	again, Ms. Fletcher.
14	MS. FLETCHER: Nice to see you too.
15	MR. SLATT: I hope you're doing well.
16	MS. FLETCHER: I am. Thank you very
17	much. ANC 2B does have standing as a protestant.
18	We need to set a date for status hearing,
19	mediation, and a protest hearing. Give me one
20	minute.
21	(Pause.)
22	MS. FLETCHER: I am looking for the
23	dates for the status and protest hearing that
24	were provided to me by a staff person.
25	(Pause.)

MS. FLETCHER: Okay, so I actually don't see those dates right now, so what we're going to do, we're going to go ahead and set the mediation, and shortly following roll call, I will email you the dates for the status and protest hearing. Give me a second.

(Pause.)

MS. FLETCHER: What I would rather do instead, if you would bear with me, is to give me a minute to get those dates. It would be more efficient if I could do that rather than to have to contact everyone with the dates. So, I'm going to go and grab those dates. I will be back in a moment. Thank you. I'm going to leave the recording running. I'll be right back.

(Pause.)

MS. FLETCHER: I'm back. Thanks for your patience. Okay, the status hearing is scheduled for February 28, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

The protest hearing is scheduled for March 20, 2024 at 10, 1:30, I'm sorry. And we need to set a date for mediation.

I will give you the next available day. The next available day for mediation is Wednesday, January 10 any time between 10:30 and

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1.30. Actually, I see that luesday, January 9 is
also available at 10:30 or 11:30, so let's start
with that, Tuesday, January 9 at 10:30 or 11:30.
MR. SLATT: This is Commissioner Slatt
asking, Ms. Fletcher. Can we only meet during
those mediation hours or can I talk with them
outside of the group?
MS. FLETCHER: Yeah, you mean attempt
to resolve the matter outside of mediation?
MR. SLATT: Yes.
MS. FLETCHER: Yeah, that's fine.
What I'll do is that okay with you, Mr.
Williams, as well, and Ms. Burke?
MS. BURKE: Yes.
MR. WILLIAMS: Yes.
MS. FLETCHER: What I'll do
MS. BURKE: And I may have a conflict
on the 9th, Zach, so Brad Spooner has joined this
call as well, but I don't know that I can do the
9th.
MS. FLETCHER: And Ms. Burke, is that
you speaking? This is for the court reporter.
Ms. Burke
MS. BURKE: Yes.
MS. FLETCHER: you're stating that

Τ	you may have a conflict on the 9th?
2	MS. BURKE: Yes.
3	MS. FLETCHER: So, what I'm going to
4	do, I'm going to give you some other dates to
5	consider just in case you're unable to resolve
6	the matter outside of mediation, the date will be
7	set already. What about, Ms. Burke, so what
8	about Wednesday, January 10? Is that any better?
9	MS. BURKE: So, I apologize, but I
10	have a prescheduled meeting out of town on the
11	9th and 10th. I could do the 10th if it was
12	after 1:00 in the afternoon, but it sounded like
13	that you were only available until 1:30.
14	MS. FLETCHER: Is the court reporter
15	here? Can you hear me? Okay, thank you. Ms.
16	Burke, can you hear me now?
17	MS. BURKE: I can.
18	MS. FLETCHER: Okay, are you available
19	the week of January 15th or January 22nd?
20	MS. BURKE: Yes.
21	MS. FLETCHER: Mr. Williams, what
22	about you?
23	MR. WILLIAMS: Yes, the week of the
24	15th, I have availability.
25	MS. FLETCHER: For the week of what,

1	Mr. Williams?
2	MR. WILLIAMS: The 15th.
3	MS. FLETCHER: The 15th?
4	MR. WILLIAMS: Correct.
5	MS. FLETCHER: Okay, what about
6	Wednesday, January 17, anytime between 10:30 and
7	1:30?
8	MS. BURKE: That's fine.
9	MR. WILLIAMS: I could do 10:30.
10	MS. FLETCHER: Who said that? I'm
11	sorry, I should have told you, before you say
12	anything, the court reporter needs to know who's
13	speaking. So, Ms. Burke, what did you just say?
14	MS. BURKE: I said that that would be
15	fine. At 10:30, I believe, is when Mr. Slatt
16	said he was free.
17	MS. FLETCHER: Okay, Mr. Williams, are
18	you okay with 10:30 on
19	MR. WILLIAMS: Yes.
20	MS. FLETCHER: the 17th?
21	MR. WILLIAMS: 10:30 works.
22	MS. FLETCHER: And Mr. Slatt?
23	MR. SLATT: Yes, hello, this is
24	Commissioner Slatt. I am available on Wednesday,
25	January 17, 10:30 a.m., yes.

1	MS. FLETCHER: Okay, mediation, in
2	case it is necessary, is scheduled for Wednesday,
3	January 17 at 10:30. Just to restate, ANC 2B
4	does have standing as a protestant in this
5	matter, and the protest issues are adverse impact
6	on peace, order, and quiet. Any questions from
7	anyone?
8	Well, thank you for coming. The roll
9	call hearing in this matter is concluded, and Mr.
10	Williams, I know the next case is yours as well.
11	Thank you.
12	(Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
13	went off the record at 10:22 a.m.)
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