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IN THE MATTER OF:           :
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Yfe, Inc.,                  :
t/a 18th Street Lounge      :
1212 18th Street NW         : Show Cause
Retailer CT - ANC 2B        : Hearing (Status)
License No. 21211           :
Case #19-251-00097 and      :
Case #19-251-0097(a)       :
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(Interfered with an         :
Investigation, Provided     :
False or Misleading         :
Information, Failed to      :
Follow Security Plan)       :

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Wednesday
February 12, 2020

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing Room, Reeves Building, 2000 14th Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009, Chairperson Donovan W. Anderson, presiding.

DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson
JENI HANSEN, Member
BOBBY CATO, JR., Member
RAFI ALIYA CROCKETT, Member
JAMES SHORT, JR., Member
REMA WAHABZADAH, Member

CANDICE FITCH, Counsel for Applicant
FARID NOURI, Applicant
JASON FACCI, Counsel for Protestant

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

2 (9:52 a.m.)

3 MEMBER ANDERSON: All right. The next
4 case in our calendar is case number 19-251-00097
5 and case number 19-251-00097(a), 18th Street
6 Lounge, license number 21211. Will the parties
7 please approach and identify themselves for the
8 record, please?

9 MR. FACCI: Good morning. Jason Facci
10 on behalf of the District of Columbia.

11 MEMBER ANDERSON: Good morning, Mr.
12 Facci.

13 MS. FITCH: Good morning. Candice
14 Fitch, attorney for the licensee.

15 MEMBER ANDERSON: Good morning, Ms.
16 Fitch.

17 MR. NOURI: Good morning, Farid Nouri,
18 owner and president.

19 MEMBER ANDERSON: I'm sorry. Your
20 last name, sir?

21 MR. NOURI: Nouri, N-O-U-R-I.

22 MEMBER ANDERSON: Good morning, Mr.
23 Nouri. Mr. Facci, are there any preliminary
24 matters in this case?

25 MR. FACCI: Yes, Mr. Chairman. We do

1 have an offer in compromise.

2 MEMBER ANDERSON: And what is that,
3 please?

4 MR. FACCI: With respect to charge 1,
5 a warning. With respect to charge 2, a \$350 fine
6 to be paid within 30 days or the license shall be
7 suspended indefinitely until the fine is paid.

8 And with respect to charge 3, a \$1,500
9 fine to be paid within 30 days or the license
10 shall be suspended indefinitely until the fine is
11 paid.

12 MEMBER ANDERSON: Excuse me. Ms.
13 Fitch, it's my understanding that there's an
14 offer in compromise. And the offer in compromise
15 that for charge 1, there's a warning.

16 For charge 2, there's a \$350 fine
17 payable within 30 days. And for charge 3, there
18 is a \$1,500 fine also payable in 30 days. And if
19 the fines are not paid within 30 days, the
20 license will be suspended until the fine has been
21 paid. Is this your client's understanding of the
22 offer in compromise?

23 MS. FITCH: Yes.

24 MEMBER ANDERSON: Is your client aware
25 that by accepting an offer in compromise that

1 they've given up their right to a hearing?

2 MS. FITCH: Yes, they are.

3 MEMBER ANDERSON: Is your client also
4 aware that by accepting the offer in compromise
5 that they've given up their right to appeal this
6 matter?

7 MS. FITCH: Yes.

8 MEMBER ANDERSON: All right. With
9 this said, I make a motion that the offer in
10 compromise for charge 1, a warning, a written
11 warning, be issued.

12 For charge 2, a fine of \$350 payable
13 within 30 days. If the fine is not paid within
14 30 days, the license will be suspended until the
15 fine has been paid.

16 And for charge 3, there's a \$1,500
17 fine also payable within 30 days. If the fine is
18 not payable in 30 days, the license will be
19 suspended until the fine has been paid. Is there
20 a second?

21 MEMBER CROCKETT: Second.

22 MEMBER ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett has
23 seconded the motion. All those in favor, say
24 aye.

25 (Chorus of ayes)

1 MEMBER ANDERSON: Those opposed? The
2 matter passes 6-0-0. I want to thank the parties
3 for working this matter out. Have a good day.
4 Thank you.

5 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
6 went off the record at 9:54 a.m.)
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