

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD
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MEETING

IN THE MATTER OF: :
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Georgetown Suites, LLC/ :
Wabbit, LLC, t/a :
Georgetown Inn West End : Protest
1121 New Hampshire Ave NW: Hearing (Status)
Retailer CR - ANC 2A :
License No. 109462 :
Case #18-PRO-00037 :
: :
(Application for a New :
License) :

Wednesday
July 11, 2018

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.

PRESENT:

DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson
NICK ALBERTI, Member
DONALD ISAAC, SR., Member
MIKE SILVERSTEIN, Member
JAMES SHORT, Member
REMA WAHABZADAH, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

FLORENCE HARMON, ANC 2A

SUE SILER, PROTESTANT

SIDON YOHANNES, APPLICANT ATTORNEY

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

2 9:38 a.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next case
4 on our calendar is Case No. 18-PRO-00037,
5 Georgetown Inn West End, License No. 109462.

6 Will the parties, please, approach and
7 identify themselves for the record, please?

8 MS. HARMON: I'm Florence Harmon, H-A-
9 R-M-O-N, F-L-O-R-E-N-C-E. I'm the ANC
10 Commissioner for this area.

11 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
12 Ms. Harmon.

13 MS. HARMON: And this is Sue Siler.
14 She is the representative of the protestants. I
15 think Sidon is --

16 MS. SILER: She is just running late
17 in traffic.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.
19 Okay, that's fine. So I will recall. So thank
20 you for being here on time. So I will recall
21 this case since I -- so as a matter of course, I
22 normally give parties, if they let us know that

1 they are running late -- well, I mean, I normally
2 recall cases and give them until 10:00.

3 So we will recall the case at 10:00 or
4 if they are here, just let me know. Just raise
5 your hand and I will call the case. Okay. And
6 thank you for being here timely.

7 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
8 went off the record at 9:39 a.m. and resumed at
9 9:56 a.m.)

10 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Okay. What
11 about Georgetown?

12 MS. HARMON: Yes, she is here. She is
13 in the bathroom.

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. All
15 right. Okay.

16 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
17 went off the record at 9:57 a.m. and resumed at
18 9:59 a.m.)

19 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. So
20 let me move back to the calendar and recall Case
21 No. 18-PRO-00037, Georgetown Inn West End.

22 Would the parties, please, approach

1 and identify themselves for the matter, please?

2 MS. YOHANNES: Good morning. Sidon
3 Yohannes on behalf of the applicant.

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
5 Ms. Yohannes.

6 MS. YOHANNES: My apologies this
7 morning.

8 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you.

9 MS. HARMON: Hi, Florence Harmon, H-A-
10 R-M-O-N, F-L-O-R-E-N-C-E for ANC-2A.

11 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
12 Ms. Harmon.

13 MS. SILER: Sue Siler for the
14 protestants.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
16 Ms. Siler.

17 MS. SILER: Group of Five.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Now, let me
19 ask, Ms. Yohannes, who was at the Roll Call
20 Hearing? Do we -- is the Group of Five, are
21 there any -- are there preliminary matters here?
22 Were there -- who was at the --

1 MS. SILER: I was at the preliminary
2 hearing for the Group of Five.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And how many
4 other people were there?

5 MS. SILER: Five of us.

6 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: So five folks
7 were there?

8 MS. SILER: Um-hum, yes.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.

10 MS. YOHANNES: No preliminary matters.

11 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. All
12 right. This matter -- any other matters needs to
13 be brought to my attention before scheduling the
14 hearing?

15 MS. YOHANNES: No, not for the
16 applicant.

17 MS. HARMON: No.

18 MS. SILER: No.

19 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Okay.

20 MS. HARMON: And I'm fairly certain we
21 are going to settle.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.

1 That's good. This matter is scheduled for a
2 Protest Hearing on August the 1st at 1:30, but
3 the Board knows -- the Board -- I think the Board
4 staff knows what it is doing, because I just
5 scheduled another Protest Hearing for August 1st
6 at 1:30 and this one is also scheduled for August
7 1st at 1:30, so I guess they know something I
8 don't know, but it's not -- we will see a lot of
9 folks on August 1st at 1:30 if there is no
10 settlement agreement.

11 Do you want me to review the
12 procedures for a Protest Hearing that I read
13 before? Are both -- are all parties aware of the
14 process?

15 MS. YOHANNES: The applicant is fine.

16 MS. HARMON: We are fine.

17 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.

18 Thank you.

19 Well, good luck with your continued
20 negotiations.

21 MS. SILER: Thank you.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And I will see

1 you if --

2 MS. HARMON: Hopefully not.

3 MS. YOHANNES: Hopefully not.

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Hopefully not
5 on August --

6 MS. SILER: Hopefully you won't see
7 us.

8 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: -- 1st at 1:30,
9 but I always tell folks if I don't see you, I do
10 not take it personally. All right.

11 MS. SILER: Thank you.

12 MS. HARMON: Thank you.

13 MS. YOHANNES: Thank you.

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.

15 Thank you. All right.

16 (Whereupon, the Protest (Status)

17 Hearing was concluded at 10:02 a.m.)

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