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2 10:25 a.m.

3 MS. FLETCHER: Would the parties in  
4 the matter of Mirror Lounge please come forward?  
5 This is Case Number 20-PRO-00003, 9th Street  
6 Lounge, LLC, 1920 9th Street NW, License  
7 #ABRA-111950.

8 This is a Retailer Class CT,  
9 substantial change from a garden with 13 seats.  
10 The protest issues are adverse impact on peace,  
11 order, and quiet, residential parking, and  
12 vehicular and pedestrian safety, and real  
13 property values.

14 My name is Laverne Fletcher,  
15 conducting the roll call hearing as the Board's  
16 agent. Introductions beginning with the  
17 Applicant, please?

18 MS. YOHANNES: Sidon Yohannes on  
19 behalf of the Applicant. And that's S-I-D-O-N,  
20 Y-O-H-A-N-N-E-S.

21 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, and present  
22 on behalf of the protestants?

23 MR. SCHLOM: We have 3 members of a  
24 group of 11 here today. First, Evan Schlom, E-V-  
25 A-N, S-C-H-L-O-M.

1 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr. Schlom.

2 MS. NORMAN: Anita Norman, A-N-I-T-A,  
3 N-O-R-M-A-N.

4 MR. ESPINOSA: And Luis Espinosa, L-U-  
5 I-S, and my last name Espinosa is E-S-P-I-N-O-S-  
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7 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you very much.  
8 The group of 11 is granted conditional standing.

9 Three members of the group are present  
10 today, that means that at least two individuals  
11 not present today would need to show up for the  
12 upcoming status hearing, at which time the Board  
13 would grant board standing.

14 We'll just move through the  
15 proceedings, I'll give you the next dates. The  
16 next dates, the status hearing, which is  
17 scheduled for March 25, 2020 at 9:30 a.m., is the  
18 status hearing.

19 The protest hearing is scheduled for  
20 April 22nd at 4:30 p.m. I will give you the next  
21 available date for mediation.

22 MS. YOHANNES: Ms. Fletcher?

23 MS. FLETCHER: Yes?

24 MS. YOHANNES: Before you give the  
25 mediation date, just for the record, there are

1 actually only two members of the group of five or  
2 more here.

3 So, they need to actually appear for  
4 the next --

5 MS. FLETCHER: So, there's someone who  
6 didn't sign the protest letter?

7 MS. YOHANNES: I'm sorry?

8 MS. FLETCHER: There's someone here  
9 who didn't sign the protest letter?

10 MS. YOHANNES: Yes. Ms. Norman.  
11 Commissioner Norman is here.

12 MS. FLETCHER: Ms. Norman.

13 MR. SCHLOM: You have the protest?  
14 You have a copy of it?

15 MS. YOHANNES: I do.

16 MS. FLETCHER: Let me look again.

17 MS. YOHANNES: I have my copy.

18 MR. SCHLOM: I'm not going to keep it.

19 MS. FLETCHER: Let me look at mine and  
20 make sure we all have all the pages. On my pages  
21 I don't see Ms. Norman but, Ms. Norman, it's nice  
22 to see you anyway.

23 So, we actually have two individuals  
24 from the group present, which means that at least  
25 three need to appear that aren't present today.

1 I gave you the date for the status hearing, which  
2 is March 25th at 9:30 a.m. The protest hearing  
3 is April 22nd at 4:30 p.m.

4 I'll give you the next available date  
5 for mediation now. The next available date for  
6 mediation is February 17th at 1:00 p.m.  
7 otherwise we will move to March.

8 MR. SCHLOM: That's a holiday.

9 MS. FLETCHER: That's a holiday?

10 MR. SCHLOM: It's President's Day.

11 MS. FLETCHER: I think I had the wrong  
12 calendar. Let me make a note of that. So then  
13 we'll move to the month of March. President's  
14 Day.

15 How about Tuesday, March 3rd? Any  
16 time between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.?

17 MR. SCHLOM: I'd like to do earlier.  
18 How about 9:00 a.m.? Does that work for you?

19 MS. YOHANNES: That day actually does  
20 not work. Any time after the 9th of March.

21 MS. FLETCHER: After the 9th? We can  
22 do March 17th at 9:00 a.m. You said not the week  
23 of the 9th, right, Ms. Yohannes?

24 MS. YOHANNES: Yes. I can do the week  
25 of the 9th as well, I can do the 17th as well. I

1 just meant not the rest of that week.

2 MS. FLETCHER: Okay, so you couldn't  
3 do the 3rd, right?

4 MS. YOHANNES: Correct.

5 MS. FLETCHER: What about March 10th  
6 at 9:00 a.m.?

7 MR. SCHLOM: That's fine for us.

8 MS. FLETCHER: Is that fine for you  
9 too, Ms. Yohannes?

10 MS. YOHANNES: Yes, that's fine.

11 MR. SCHLOM: March 10th, 9:00 a.m.?

12 MS. FLETCHER: March 10th, 9:00 a.m.,  
13 yes. Mediation is set for march 10th at 9:00  
14 a.m. Any questions? Okay, well, the roll call  
15 hearing is concluded and thank you for coming.

16 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter  
17 went off the record at 10:35 a.m.)

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