

**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD**

**In the Matter of:**

Taichi DC, LLC  
t/a Taichi Bubble Tea

Applicant for a New  
Retailer's Class CR License

at premises  
1357 Wisconsin Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20007

Case No.: 23-PRO-00044  
License No.: ABRA-124100  
Order No.: 2023-333

Taichi DC, LLC, t/a Taichi Bubble Tea, Applicant

Paul E. Maysak, Commissioner, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2E, Protestant

Tara Sakraida, President, Citizens Association of Georgetown (CAG), Protestant

**BEFORE:** Donovan Anderson, Chairperson  
James Short, Member  
Bobby Cato, Member  
Jeni Hansen, Member  
Edward S. Grandis, Member

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**ORDER ON SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND  
WITHDRAWAL OF PROTESTS**

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The Application filed by Taichi DC, LLC, t/a Taichi Bubble Tea (Applicant), for a new Retailer's Class CR License, having been protested, came before the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) for a Roll Call Hearing on May 15, 2023, in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 25-601 (2001).

The official records of the Board reflect that the Applicant, ANC 2E, and CAG have entered into a Settlement Agreement (Agreement), dated April 28, 2023, that governs the operations of the Applicant's establishment.

The Agreement has been reduced to writing and has been properly executed and filed with the Board. The Applicant; Commissioner Paul E. Maysak, on behalf of ANC 2E; and Tara Sakraida Parker, on behalf of CAG; are signatories to the Agreement.

This Agreement constitutes a withdrawal of the Protests filed by ANC 2E and CAG.

Accordingly, it is this 24th day of May 2023, **ORDERED** that:

1. The Application filed by Taichi DC, LLC, t/a Taichi Bubble Tea, for a new Retailer's Class CR License, located at 1357 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C., is **GRANTED**;
2. The Protests of ANC 2E and CAG, in this matter are hereby **WITHDRAWN**;
3. The above-referenced Settlement Agreement submitted by the Parties to govern the operations of the Applicant's establishment is **APPROVED** and **INCORPORATED** as part of this Order, except for the following modifications:

Subsection 2(a) (Nature of Operations) – The following language shall be added:  
“Nothing in this agreement shall prevent the licensee from applying for or obtaining a class change in accordance with Title 25 of the D.C. Official Code.”

Subsection 7(d)(ii) – This Subsection shall be modified to read as follows: “Applicant shall fully discourage its patrons and employees from smoking in the public locations immediately outside the Premises on Wisconsin Avenue and will not permit the establishment's employees or agents to smoke in the rear alley.”

The Parties have agreed to these modifications.

4. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Parties.

District of Columbia  
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

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Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-433(d)(1), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration, 2000 14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, DC 20009.

Also, pursuant to section II of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, Pub. L. 90-614, 82 Stat. 1209, D.C. Official Code §2-510 (2001), and Rule 15 of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, any party adversely affected has the right to appeal this Order by filing a petition for review, within thirty (30) days of the date of service of this Order, with the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, 430 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001; (202/879- 1010). However, the timely filing of a Motion for Reconsideration pursuant to 23 DCMR §1719.1 (2008) stays the time for filing a petition for review in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals until the Board rules on the motion. See D.C. App. Rule 15(b) (2004).

Taichi DC, LLC

Taichi Bubble Tea

1357 Wisconsin Avenue, NW

This Settlement Agreement ("Agreement") is made on the 28th day of April 2023 by and between Taichi DC, LLC with trade name Taichi Bubble Tea ("the Applicant") with Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E ("the ANC") and the Citizens Association of Georgetown ("CAG"), also referred to collectively as the "Parties".

#### RECITALS

Whereas, the Applicant has applied to the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration (ABCA) with License Number for ABCA-12410 the issuance of a new Class "C" Restaurant License (the "License") for the Premises located at 1357 Wisconsin Ave NW (the "Premises"), and

Whereas, the Parties wish to enter into a Settlement Agreement pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-446 to address concerns related to peace, order and quiet.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the recitals set forth above and the mutual covenants and conditions set forth below, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Recitals Incorporated. The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein by reference.
2. Nature of Operations.
  - a. Class C Restaurant.
3. Occupancy.
  - a. Inside: Maximum allowed by Certificate of Occupancy with Seating Capacity of 78 and Total Occupancy Load of 114; With no more than 20 people in the bar area of the lower level.
4. Hours of Operations.
  - i. Sunday – Thursday 11:00 am – 10:00 pm (Public Hours posted will reflect 10pm);
  - ii. Friday – Saturday 11:00 am – 11:00pm (Public Hours posted will reflect 11pm);
  - iii. Should multiple public complaints occur, the closing hours will be revisited by the Parties;
  - iv. Alcohol sales will end 30 minutes prior to the closing; however, patrons may remain on the Premises until the end of Hours of Operation.
5. Service Standards.
  - a. All DC alcohol sale, service, and consumption laws will be complied with when in operation, including but not limited to, requirements to check identification and refraining from serving underage or intoxicated persons.
  - b. 100% ID check for all patrons entering the lower level.
6. No live entertainment.
  - a. Music will not be audible in the surrounding neighborhood residences.
  - b. All city-wide decibel level requirements will be maintained.

7. Patrons, Customers, Employees of the Establishment entering and leaving the restaurant shall use the main entrance on Wisconsin Ave.

a. No egress to the rear alley except in the event of an emergency

b. The Establishment will not form any wait lines on the sidewalk.

c. Applicant shall take immediate action to prevent its patrons and employees from causing unreasonable noise, disturbances or loitering in the area immediately outside the Premises;

d. Smoking and Intoxication:

i. Public intoxication will be not be supported by the Establishment;

ii. Applicant shall fully discourage its patrons and employees from smoking in the public locations immediately outside the Premises on Wisconsin Ave and will not permit gathering or smoking in the rear alley.

8. Deliveries and Pick-ups.

a. Applicant shall require its vendors and itself to make all deliveries and pick-ups from the front of the Establishment on Wisconsin Avenue from legal parking areas.

9. Trash Pick-up/Removal.

b. A professional, private firm will pick up all trash Monday through Saturday from the front of the restaurant.

c. Trash and recycling will be sorted, put in bins and stored within the trash room within the Establishment.

d. Trash will be removed from premises through the front door to Wisconsin Ave between 8am-10pm to reduce noise in the neighborhood ;

e. Applicants employees shall not dispose of bottles or glass in a manner which creates noise audible outside the Premises from 9pm to 8am;

f. Applicant will maintain a contract with a professional, licensed rat, pest, and vermin control company to provide for routine inspection of the Premises as needed to control pests. The service will visit the establishment at least once per month.

10. Public Complaint Log.

a. The Applicant will have an email posted on its website that accepts and responds to complaints. The email log will be available to ABCA or the Board upon request.

11. Binding Settlement.

a. This Agreement shall be binding upon and enforceable against the Licensee and any successors of the Applicant.

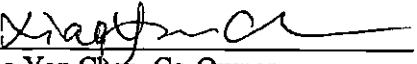
In consideration of the agreements set forth above, ANCZE and CAG shall, upon approval of this agreement by the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, agree to withdraw their protest. Future failure of the Applicant to adhere to the foregoing commitments would constitute grounds for any or all of the Parties to petition the ABC Board for issuance of an order to show cause. Prior to petitioning, however, Protestants shall notify the Applicant of any perceived violations and afford Applicant at least ten (10) calendar days in which to address or rectify the perceived violation.

This written agreement constitutes the only agreement among the parties and may be modified only by the written agreement of all the parties.

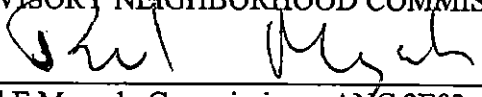
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

Taichi Bubble Tea LLC

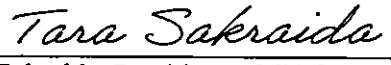
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Xiao Yan Chen, Co-Owner

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 2E

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CITIZENS ASSOCIATION OF GEORGETOWN (CAG)

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