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2 (10:05 a.m.)

3 AGENT FLETCHER: Would the parties in
4 the matter of West End D.C., please come forward?
5 Would the parties in the matter of West END D.C.,
6 please come forward.

7 This is Case Number 10-PRO -- oh,
8 please come forward if you're here for West End.
9 If you're here from West End. Are these all
10 protestants? You're going to be on this side.
11 Thank you.

12 This is Case Number 18-PRO-00077,
13 111834, 23rd Street NW, License Number ABRA-
14 111311. This is a Retailer Class CR new
15 application.

16 The protest issues are adverse impact
17 on peace, order and quiet. My name is La Verne
18 Fletcher, conducting the roll call hearing as the
19 Board's agent. Introduction beginning with the
20 applicant, please?

21 MS. YOHANNES: Good morning. Sidon
22 Yohannes on behalf of the applicant.

1 AGENT FLETCHER: Ms. Yohannes, would
2 you spell your name for the record, please?

3 MS. YOHANNES: Sure. S-I-D-O-N, Y-O-
4 H-A-N-N-E-S.

5 AGENT FLETCHER: And present on behalf
6 of ASC-2A?

7 MR. SACCO: Peter Sacco, I'm the ANC's
8 executive director. Last name is Sacco,
9 S-A-C-C-O.

10 AGENT FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr. Secco.
11 On behalf of the group of 89?

12 MR. LEIBOW: Philip Leibow.

13 AGENT FLETCHER: Mr. Leibow, would you
14 spell your name, please?

15 MR. LEIBOW: Sure. Philip with an L,
16 and Liebow, L-E-I-B-O-W.

17 AGENT FLETCHER: And Mr. Leibow, are
18 there any other members from your group present
19 today?

20 MR. LEIBOW: Yes.

21 AGENT FLETCHER: You can stand up
22 right between Mr. Liebow and Mr. Sacco. And

1 state your -- there's a microphone on the table.
2 If you could just state your name and spell it
3 for the record?

4 MS. BLUMENTHAL: My name is Sally
5 Blumenthal, B-L-U-M-E-N-T-H-A-L. I'm a resident
6 of 1177 22nd Street NW.

7 AGENT FLETCHER: Ms. Blumenthal, what
8 did you say is your first name?

9 MS. BLUMENTHAL: Sally.

10 AGENT FLETCHER: Okay. Thank you.
11 Okay. Thank you.

12 MS. EPSTEIN: Jeri Epstein, J-E-R-I,
13 E-P-S-T-E-I-N. I live at 1111 23rd Street and
14 that's directly across from the proposed
15 restaurant.

16 AGENT FLETCHER: Okay. Excuse me.
17 Thank you, Ms. Epstein. The next person?

18 MS. KLINE: Another Sally. Sally
19 Kline.

20 AGENT FLETCHER: Okay. And how you
21 spell your last name?

22 MS. KLINE: K-L-I-N-E.

1 AGENT FLETCHER: Thank you, Ms. Kline.

2 MS. KLINE: I'm on, it's 1111 24th

3 Street.

4 AGENT FLETCHER: Thank you.

5 MS. KLINE: Stephanie Amundson,

6 A-M-U-N-D-S-O-N. And I'm at 1111 24th Street.

7 AGENT FLETCHER: Stephanie you said?

8 MS. KLINE: Mm-hmm.

9 AGENT FLETCHER: Spell the last name
10 again?

11 MS. KLINE: A-M-U-N-D-S-O-N.

12 AGENT FLETCHER: Thank you.

13 MS. HOLDEN: Good morning. Louise

14 Holden, H-O-L-D-E-N. And 1111 24th Street.

15 AGENT FLETCHER: Ms. Holden, what's
16 the first name?

17 MS. HOLDEN: Louise, L-O-U-I-S-E.

18 AGENT FLETCHER: Oh, Louise. Thank
19 you.

20 MS. HOLDEN: Thank you.

21 MS. KIDER: Hi.

22 AGENT FLETCHER: Hi.

1 MS. KIDER: Jill Kider, K-I-D-E-R,
2 1111 24th Street.

3 AGENT FLETCHER: What's the first
4 name?

5 MS. KIDER: Jill, J-I-L-L.

6 AGENT FLETCHER: Oh, Jill. Jill,
7 spell the last name one more time?

8 MS. KIDER: K-I-D-E-R.

9 AGENT FLETCHER: Oh, thank you. And
10 you all signed the protest letter?

11 MR. LEIBOW: They all did.

12 AGENT FLETCHER: Thank you. Is it Mr.
13 Leibow?

14 MR. LEIBOW: Leibow.

15 AGENT FLETCHER: Mr. Leibow?

16 MR. LEIBOW: Yes.

17 AGENT FLETCHER: Let' see -- excuse me
18 in the back. The court reporter can't hear with
19 all of us talking. I'm sorry. I counted seven,
20 is that right?

21 MR. LEIBOW: Yes.

22 AGENT FLETCHER: Okay. Seven members

1 of your group are present today. That means the
2 full standing is granted to your group today.
3 And what that means is that the, at the upcoming
4 status hearing on, you would need to appear. You
5 met the requirement that at least five people
6 appear in person.

7 ANC-2A has standing. A standing is
8 granted to the group of, I counted 89,
9 approximately 89 people signed your petition. So
10 standing is granted to the full group.

11 We need to set a day for a mediation,
12 a status hearing and a protest hearing. And I'll
13 give you the date for the status and protest
14 hearing first.

15 The date for the status hearing is
16 December 12th. That's going to be December 12 at
17 9:30 a.m., on the status hearing. The protest
18 hearing is set for January 16. January 16, 2019
19 at 1:30 p.m.

20 We need to set a date for mediation.
21 I'll give you the next available dates for
22 mediation prior to December 12th. That's the

1 date of the status hearing. That's the ideal
2 situation that the mediation is set before the
3 status hearing. If not, we can set it after the
4 12th.

5 The next available date for mediation
6 is a Tuesday, December 4. That's the next
7 available day at 9, 10, 11, 1 --

8 MR. LEIBOW: I won't be here that day.

9 AGENT FLETCHER: Let's see. Are you
10 available that week?

11 MR. LEIBOW: The 6th.

12 AGENT FLETCHER: We can do it on the
13 6th if the ANC and Ms. Yohannes are available.

14 MS. YOHANNES: I'm available.

15 AGENT FLETCHER: If you're going to
16 speak, you have to come to the table, state your
17 name so it's on the record. Thank you.

18 MS. BLUMENTHAL: Sally Blumenthal, I
19 have a question. Do you need all of the group
20 that are here behind, or just the principals?

21 AGENT FLETCHER: Just Mr. Leibow.

22 MS. BLUMENTHAL: Okay. Thank you.

1 AGENT FLETCHER: You're welcome.

2 MS. BLUMENTHAL: But the others are
3 welcome to come?

4 AGENT FLETCHER: Yes.

5 MR. LEIBOW: The 12/6 for the
6 mediation?

7 AGENT FLETCHER: Uh-huh. Is that good
8 for you, Ms. Yohannes?

9 MS. YOHANNES: Yes. That's good for
10 me.

11 AGENT FLETCHER: And Mr. Sacco?

12 MR. SACCO: Yes. It will be
13 Commissioner Harmon that'll be attending.

14 AGENT FLETCHER: Commissioner Harmon?
15 Okay. So on the 6th, it can be in the morning at
16 9, 10, 11. It can be in the afternoon.

17 MR. LEIBOW: 9's good for me.

18 MS. YOHANNES: Can we do 10?

19 MR. LEIBOW: That's fine.

20 AGENT FLETCHER: We can do 10. Is
21 that good for you?

22 MR. SACCO: Yes.

1 AGENT FLETCHER: Okay. We'll make
2 mediation 10 o'clock on Thursday, December 6th.
3 The mediation will be right here in this room.
4 You would need to check in with the front desk
5 folks, and then they'll let you in through that
6 side door.

7 Any questions at all from anybody?
8 Okay.

9 MS. YOHANNES: No.

10 AGENT FLETCHER: Well thank you for
11 coming. Roll call hearing concluded. Thank you.

12 (Whereupon, the Roll Call Hearing was
13 concluded at 10:13 a.m.)
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