

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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ROLL CALL HEARING

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IN THE MATTER OF: :

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Sweet Mango Cafe Corp. :

t/a Sweet Mango Cafe :

3701 New Hampshire Ave. NW :

License #ABRA-072512 :

Retailer CR :

License Renewal :

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JUNE 10, 2013

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met in Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing Room Suite 400S, at 2000 14th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., LaVerne Fletcher, Agent, presiding.

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

2 10:50 a.m.

3 MS. FLETCHER: It's called Sweet
4 Mango. Sweet Mango Cafe is the name of the
5 establishment.

6 And this is Case #13-PRO-00018,
7 Sweet Mango Cafe Corporation trading as Sweet
8 Mango Cafe, 3701 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.
9 The License number is ABRA-072512. The Case
10 number is 13-PRO-00018. And this is a Class
11 CR License Renewal.

12 Introduction?

13 MR. JONES: Yes. My name is
14 Timothy A. Jones, and I am the Advisory
15 Neighborhood Commissioner for single-member
16 ANC 4C.

17 MS. FLETCHER: Okay, Mr. Jones.
18 ANC 4C did file a protest against the --

19 MR. JONES: Yes.

20 MS. FLETCHER: -- license renewal
21 application of Sweet Mango. And there's no
22 one present on behalf of Sweet Mango.

1 And Mr. Jones, would you put your
2 contact information on that sheet -- your
3 daytime phone number and your email address?

4 MR. JONES: All right.

5 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you.

6 So Mr. Jones, have you had any
7 communication with Sweet Mango at all?

8 MR. JONES: Not since the 4C's May
9 meeting.

10 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. But there's
11 no settlement agreement between the ANC and
12 Sweet Mango?

13 MR. JONES: Not 4C. My
14 understanding that there is a settlement
15 agreement entered between Sweet Mango and 4C
16 --

17 MS. FLETCHER: Yes.

18 MR. JONES: -- and the 4C
19 Commissioners are to vote on the settlement
20 agreement on this June the 12th.

21 MS. FLETCHER: So there's a
22 pending settlement agreement?

1 MR. JONES: That is correct. But
2 there will be two -- one party there was a
3 signatory to the initial voluntary agreement
4 -- United Neighborhood Coalition -- that had
5 some problems with the settlement agreement
6 that's being proffered.

7 MS. FLETCHER: The United
8 Neighborhood Coalition?

9 MR. JONES: Yes.

10 MS. FLETCHER: The United
11 Neighborhood Coalition is not recognized by us
12 as a protestant in this matter. Only ANC 4C.

13 MR. JONES: Okay.

14 MS. FLETCHER: But if you want to
15 include them in your resolution of the protest
16 issues, you can do that. But you're the only
17 recognized protestant in this matter.

18 MR. JONES: Must be because
19 there's a prior settlement agreement that
20 United Neighborhood Coalition had signed.

21 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. So there's
22 an existing agreement between the Licensee and

1 that organization?

2 MR. JONES: In fact, it was signed
3 by Petworth Action Committee, United
4 Neighborhood Coalition and Advisory
5 Neighborhood Commission 4C.

6 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. So that
7 agreement is being re-negotiated?

8 MR. JONES: That is correct.

9 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. And so that
10 agreement is going to be voted on at the June
11 12 meeting?

12 MR. JONES: By ANC 4C, yes.

13 MS. FLETCHER: By ANC 4C. Okay.

14 Do you have any sense, Mr. Jones,
15 on whether or not ANC 4C is going to be in
16 agreement with the terms? I know you don't
17 know but --

18 MR. JONES: Well, the consensus is
19 yes.

20 MS. FLETCHER: I know that you
21 don't know for sure but I was just trying to
22 get some idea.

1 MR. JONES: But then the thought
2 going forward, I sense a reluctance on the
3 part of UNC. It probably would end up in
4 mediation as well.

5 MS. FLETCHER: Well, they're not
6 parties to the protest. So they cannot
7 participate in any of our proceedings.

8 MR. JONES: Okay.

9 MS. FLETCHER: So we recognize you
10 as a protestant. And of course ANC 4C has
11 standing as a protestant.

12 What I'm going to do, rather than
13 dismiss the renewal application today, in
14 light of what you just told me that you all
15 are in the process of negotiating an agreement
16 and that you all are going to meet on July 12
17 and there's a good possibility that the ANC
18 will vote to approve the settlement agreement,
19 based on that I'm not going to dismiss the
20 license renewal application. I'll let that
21 process proceed.

22 If you do not resolve the matter

1 at your July 12 monthly meeting -- my card is
2 on that table -- then you can email me and let
3 me know that the matter was not resolved.

4 What normally would happen today
5 is that Sweet Mango's renewal application
6 would be dismissed because they did not
7 appear. But if we understand that you are in
8 the process of trying to negotiate a
9 settlement, we will allow that to happen.

10 If Sweet Mango were here and you
11 weren't here and they told me the same thing,
12 then I wouldn't dismiss your protest either.

13 So we'll wait and see what happens
14 with the settlement agreement. If it doesn't
15 work out, then you can send me an email to let
16 me know.

17 MR. JONES: One concern that is
18 based on a conversation with Sarah Fashbaugh
19 that if UNC does not agree to the settlement
20 agreement that's going forward, the more
21 restrictive elements of the existing voluntary
22 agreement would still be in place unless

1 they're subordinated or something to the
2 current one.

3 MS. FLETCHER: What would happen
4 is -- I don't know how many other settlement
5 agreements there are -- but if we assume just
6 the ones that you just mentioned with the
7 other organization and the ANC, if the ANC --

8 MR. JONES: There is one but they
9 were signatory of four parties but signatories
10 to the current actually dating back to '06, if
11 my memory serves me correct today.

12 MS. FLETCHER: Yes.

13 MR. JONES: There were four
14 parties that were signatory to that.

15 MS. FLETCHER: Yes. And the ANC
16 during this license renewal will enter into a
17 separate agreement.

18 MR. JONES: Right. But we'll
19 subordinate that one to the one that is being
20 proffered at the current time.

21 MS. FLETCHER: What'll happen,
22 unless all of the signatories to that

1 agreement sign onto this one, we'll have two.
2 And the Board will enforce the most strict
3 provisions.

4 MR. JONES: That's what I was
5 saying. Ask the question of Sarah.

6 MS. FLETCHER: Yes.

7 MR. JONES: Okay.

8 MS. FLETCHER: So there would be
9 two.

10 MR. JONES: So the point of this
11 process was to have a less restrictive one in
12 place. But that's why I suggest raise the
13 question as to mediation. With UNC unwilling
14 to sign the one that's being proffered, the
15 objective of this process will be null.

16 MS. FLETCHER: You mean, with the
17 objective being to make the terms less
18 stringent?

19 MR. JONES: Less -- yes.

20 MS. FLETCHER: Well, yes. Well,
21 if the one that you presently have is more
22 stringent --

1 MR. JONES: It's less.

2 MS. FLETCHER: -- is less
3 stringent, and the one that you're trying to
4 negotiate now would become more stringent --

5 MR. JONES: The one we're
6 negotiating now is less --

7 MS. FLETCHER: -- is less
8 stringent.

9 MR. JONES: -- is more.

10 MS. FLETCHER: Yes. The Board
11 will enforce the provisions that are most
12 stringent when there are two.

13 MR. JONES: But that defeats the
14 process --

15 MS. FLETCHER: I don't know. If
16 you say.

17 (LAUGHTER.)

18 MS. FLETCHER: If you say it does.
19 I don't know. I haven't seen the terms.

20 MR. JONES: But there will be no
21 mediation --

22 MS. FLETCHER: There will be a

1 mediation if you and Sweet Mango decide that
2 you would like to schedule a mediation.

3 The reason I'm not scheduling a
4 mediation now is because both parties are not
5 present and the parties are in the process of
6 negotiating a settlement agreement right now
7 which the ANC expects to vote on on July 12.
8 So I have not scheduled the mediation for that
9 purpose because it looks like the parties will
10 have already entered into an agreement.

11 MR. JONES: But there still is a
12 -- the UNC is out there with the signatory to
13 the one that's in force which would not be
14 sunsetted or subordinated to the one that's
15 going forward.

16 MS. FLETCHER: Yes. The
17 organization that you're mentioning has no
18 bearing on what we're doing today. I don't
19 know anything about it.

20 MR. JONES: I believe that they
21 were the signatory to the one that's going
22 forward and expressed an unwillingness to sign

1 the one that's going forward.

2 MS. FLETCHER: Then that's the one
3 we would enforce.

4 If you can get them to sign on to
5 the agreement that you're going to vote on on
6 July 12th -- if you can get them to sign onto
7 it, then that would be the one that we would
8 enforce.

9 MR. JONES: Well, that's a lot of
10 time wasted because they -- what they're
11 asking for, no one is amenable to it.

12 MS. FLETCHER: Well, would the ANC
13 prefer for the matter to go forward for a
14 protest hearing?

15 MR. JONES: Well, if it needs
16 resolving of these contentious issues, yes.
17 Bringing everyone on board to this --

18 MS. FLETCHER: So the ANC
19 intention is to wait and see whether or not
20 the settlement agreement is approved at the
21 July 12 meeting?

22 MR. JONES: Well, the consensus is

1 that it will be approved because one of the
2 signatories to the existing voluntary
3 agreement expressed an unwillingness to sign
4 it, that it was going to mediation to get
5 everybody on the same page.

6 MS. FLETCHER: Well, the
7 organization that you mentioned could not be
8 a participant in a mediation here.

9 MR. JONES: Okay.

10 MS. FLETCHER: The only
11 participant in a mediation here would be ANC
12 4C. They're not a party to this process.
13 They didn't file a protest. They're not
14 recognized as a protestant. Mediation is
15 strictly confidential and it only involves the
16 parties.

17 MR. JONES: Okay.

18 MS. FLETCHER: So if you could
19 negotiate with them off site, that would be
20 fine if they sign the same agreement. They
21 just aren't a party to this protest.

22 MR. JONES: Oh, it doesn't sound

1 too good.

2 MS. FLETCHER: So I'll leave it up
3 to the ANC.

4 And Mr. Jones?

5 MR. JONES: Yes.

6 MS. FLETCHER: You're going to be
7 the representative for the ANC in this matter?

8 MR. JONES: Well, it's within my
9 single-member district, so I would --

10 MS. FLETCHER: Yes, but normally
11 we get a letter designating a representative.

12 MR. JONES: Okay.

13 MS. FLETCHER: And we don't have
14 one. I'm just clearing this up for the
15 record.

16 We have the protest letter and it
17 was signed by Chanelle Anthony and Janet
18 Imaez. But they did not designate a
19 representative --

20 MR. JONES: Okay.

21 MS. FLETCHER: -- in this matter.

22 If it's going to be you, that's

1 fine. I'm just making note of that for the
2 record.

3 MR. JONES: Okay. I'll make a
4 note of it for mine as well.

5 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. I understand
6 it's in your SMD -- single-member district.
7 So you can tell me what you want to do.

8 Would the ANC prefer to have the
9 matter go forward for a protest hearing? Or
10 do you want to wait to see if the ANC will
11 vote to settle the matter on July 12th?

12 MR. JONES: Well --

13 MS. FLETCHER: Because my decision
14 so far today has been to not dismiss the
15 license renewal application based on the fact
16 the ANC is in the process of negotiating a
17 settlement with Sweet Mango. So I didn't
18 dismiss the license renewal application to
19 give that process an opportunity to move
20 forward.

21 So that's the decision as of today
22 unless you tell me that you would prefer for

1 the matter to go forward for a protest
2 hearing, in which case I can make a ruling
3 based on the fact that the Sweet Mango is not
4 here.

5 MR. JONES: See, there's still the
6 wild card out there.

7 MS. FLETCHER: Yes. You just have
8 to let me know what you prefer.

9 I just exercised some discretion
10 to not dismiss the renewal application.

11 MR. JONES: Okay.

12 MS. FLETCHER: I can just retract
13 that and handle this the way that I normally
14 would have which would be just to dismiss the
15 license renewal application and Sweet Mango
16 would have to seek reinstatement of the
17 application, and we'd go from there.

18 And we give the ANC great weight.
19 And so that's what I'm doing now. I'm giving
20 you great weight to decide what the ANC would
21 like to do in this matter.

22 MR. JONES: So in essence, there's

1 no way that it would go to mediation?

2 MS. FLETCHER: Yes, it will go to
3 mediation. It will. Yes, absolutely, it can
4 go to mediation.

5 MR. JONES: All right.

6 MS. FLETCHER: It can go to
7 mediation if the parties request mediation.

8 The reason that I'm not scheduling
9 mediation is because you mentioned that the
10 parties already have a settlement agreement
11 that they're going to vote on on July 12th.

12 If Sweet Mango were present here
13 today, I would set a date for mediation, a
14 status hearing and a protest hearing just
15 routinely.

16 MR. JONES: Okay.

17 MS. FLETCHER: And I haven't
18 discussed mediation at all since you all have
19 a settlement agreement that you are going to
20 vote on on July 12.

21 If on July 12, the ANC does not
22 vote to approve the settlement agreement, you

1 can always contact me to schedule mediation.

2 MR. JONES: All right. As for as
3 UNC, they have no standing whatsoever?

4 MS. FLETCHER: They didn't file a
5 protest. In order to be a party to the
6 protest process, you have to file a protest.
7 They didn't file a protest. So they cannot
8 appear here for mediation. And they're not
9 parties to the protest, so they can't appear.
10 They're not just parties.

11 But if you on the outside can
12 negotiate an agreement that includes them, and
13 they sign it, the ABC Board will still enforce
14 it. But they can't be participants here in
15 mediation because they're not a party.

16 MR. JONES: But the ANC can
17 request a meeting with the organization that's
18 reluctant to sign the settlement agreement?
19 ANC can request mediation?

20 MS. FLETCHER: Yes. Just so that
21 you know, the other group that you're
22 referring to, they're a non-issue for us with

1 regard to this matter.

2 If the ANC can engage that group
3 in re-negotiating their agreement and
4 everybody signs it, that would be fine. You
5 could send it in to the ABC Board for review
6 and they can approve it.

7 The ANC may request mediation if
8 after July 12 the ANC does not approve the
9 settlement agreement. I mean, you're going to
10 vote on July 12 on the settlement agreement.
11 That's with the ANC only.

12 For the purpose of the roll call
13 hearing -- and I'll try to have more clarity
14 here before we're done -- but for the purpose
15 of the roll call hearing, I've accepted the
16 fact that ANC 4C and Sweet Mango are in the
17 process of negotiating a settlement agreement
18 which is going to be voted on on July 12 by
19 ANC 4C. That is the reason that I have not
20 dismissed their license renewal application.
21 That is the only reason, giving great weight
22 to the ANC's recommendations. And what you're

1 doing is trying to resolve the matter with
2 Sweet Mango.

3 So is there any --

4 MR. JONES: But the problem I have
5 is the one that's in place calls for valet
6 parking and other items that will not go away
7 unless the --

8 MS. FLETCHER: All parties agree
9 to the --

10 MR. JONES: -- all parties agree
11 to it.

12 MS. FLETCHER: Yes.

13 MR. JONES: That was the purpose
14 of the process, and now it's --

15 MS. FLETCHER: Well, if it can't
16 be done, I mean -- I don't know. That's
17 something I have no idea of.

18 If you believe that negotiating a
19 separate agreement at this stage wouldn't have
20 an impact on the existing agreement, which is
21 what you're trying to change --

22 MR. JONES: Yes.

1 MS. FLETCHER: -- I have no
2 comment about that. I understand what you're
3 saying.

4 MR. JONES: Okay.

5 MS. FLETCHER: But that's between
6 the ANC and the other organization to resolve.

7 And like I said, if you and the
8 other organization can come together and reach
9 a settlement agreement that supersedes the one
10 you already have, then that is the one that
11 the ABC Board would enforce. But if there are
12 two agreements, the Board enforces the most
13 stringent.

14 MR. JONES: That was the emphasis
15 for the whole process.

16 MS. FLETCHER: Yes. So you can
17 let me know what you want to do. What do you
18 want to do?

19 I mean, I've already done my part.
20 My part was to not dismiss the license
21 application because you're entering into a
22 settlement agreement. If you tell me right

1 now that you would prefer to not enter into a
2 settlement agreement, I'll make a ruling on
3 the fact that the Applicant is not here.

4 But I have to do something one way
5 or the other. So you can just let me know
6 what you prefer.

7 MR. JONES: All right.

8 MS. FLETCHER: And as I said, if
9 after the July 12th meeting, the ANC would
10 like to request mediation, I can contact Sweet
11 Mango and schedule a mediation.

12 But if you're saying that it's not
13 going to matter because the other organization
14 is not going to be willing to enter into an
15 agreement that's less stringent, then only you
16 can decide about that. That I can't make a
17 comment about.

18 MR. JONES: Now this --

19 MS. FLETCHER: I'm sorry. What
20 did you say?

21 MR. JONES: My thought is to
22 approve the thing that it would be for us to

1 go do what would give us the most time to
2 negotiate with the reluctant organization.

3 MS. FLETCHER: Our process moves
4 on. Our process will move along.

5 MR. JONES: Okay.

6 MS. FLETCHER: This is what I'm
7 going to do.

8 MR. JONES: Okay.

9 MS. FLETCHER: This is what I'm
10 going to do. Because of the uncertainty that
11 the ANC has with respect to whether or not the
12 -- let me start over.

13 I'm getting sort of mixed signals.
14 They're not really mixed. But you expect the
15 ANC to vote and approve the settlement
16 agreement.

17 MR. JONES: Right.

18 MS. FLETCHER: But it's just not
19 going to be what you want.

20 MR. JONES: It would be what the
21 ANC wants. It would be the UNC, which is the
22 acronym for United Neighborhood Coalition --

1 MS. FLETCHER: So you can --

2 MR. JONES: -- to sign.

3 MS. FLETCHER: From this process
4 for this protest, you can eliminate them from
5 this equation. For us they don't exist for
6 this protest.

7 MR. JONES: So for this process.
8 But as far as the voluntary agreement that has
9 the more restrictive clauses, those would be
10 --

11 MS. FLETCHER: I understand.

12 MR. JONES: -- because they're not
13 signing the one that's being proffered at this
14 time.

15 MS. FLETCHER: I understand. I
16 understand.

17 MR. JONES: Okay.

18 MS. FLETCHER: What I'm going to
19 do -- because now I'm uncertain --

20 MR. JONES: Okay.

21 MS. FLETCHER: I am uncertain.
22 What I'm going to do, I'm going to proceed

1 with this matter the way I would ordinarily
2 proceed --

3 MR. JONES: Okay.

4 MS. FLETCHER: -- just so that we
5 can keep our case on track.

6 MR. JONES: Okay.

7 MS. FLETCHER: I understand why
8 you have the issues that you have with the
9 other party, et cetera. But so that ABRA can
10 keep its case on track --

11 MR. JONES: Okay.

12 MS. FLETCHER: -- what I'm going
13 to do is because the Applicant is not present,
14 I am going to dismiss the renewal application
15 today. So the renewal application is
16 dismissed because there's no one present on
17 behalf of Sweet Mango.

18 What that means, Mr. Jones, is
19 that Sweet Mango will receive an order from
20 the Board dismissing the license renewal
21 application. And they will have ten days to
22 seek reinstatement of the application. And if

1 the Board grants reinstatement of the
2 application, then the ANC will be contacted.
3 The ANC will be contacted, at which time
4 because the ANC 4C is granted standing today,
5 the ANC will be contacted regarding a
6 mediation. And you'll be given the dates for
7 a status hearing and a protest hearing.

8 So I'm dismissing the renewal
9 application today.

10 MR. JONES: Okay. So --

11 MS. FLETCHER: And at any point,
12 if you're able to negotiate a new agreement to
13 include the other group, then you can submit
14 that to the ABC Board and they'll enforce it.
15 It's just that we can't force them to a
16 mediation. They're not even allowed to
17 participate in a mediation for this particular
18 case because they did not file a protest.

19 MR. JONES: But in the
20 reinstatement process, would they be able to
21 then file a protest?

22 MS. FLETCHER: No. They've missed

1 the petition deadline.

2 MR. JONES: Okay.

3 MS. FLETCHER: Yes. The last date
4 to file a protest was May 28, 2013. Beyond
5 that point, a protest cannot be filed.

6 MR. JONES: So the reinstatement
7 process does not start the clock all over
8 again, I guess, which is what I was --

9 MS. FLETCHER: Yes. Once the
10 reinstatement process begins, it does not
11 start. No, it does not start the process all
12 over again so that people can now start to
13 file a protest.

14 Once the petition deadline passes,
15 no one can file a protest.

16 MR. JONES: Okay.

17 MS. FLETCHER: So that won't
18 change.

19 So the license renewal application
20 is dismissed.

21 And ANC 4C can continue to
22 negotiate with Sweet Mango or the other group.

1 You can do that no matter what happens here.
2 So you just need to wait to receive a copy of
3 the order from the ABC Board dismissing the
4 license renewal application. And you'll be
5 guided beyond that point in terms of our
6 process.

7 MR. JONES: Okay.

8 MS. FLETCHER: And if ANC 4C
9 decides to withdraw its protest, you can let
10 us know. Or if ANC 4C enters into a
11 settlement agreement with the licensee, you
12 can submit that for Board approval, and then
13 we'll cancel the mediation, the status hearing
14 and the protest hearing.

15 MR. JONES: Okay. Let me see.

16 So if 4C votes to approve the
17 settlement agreement --

18 MS. FLETCHER: Say that again, Mr.
19 Jones.

20 MR. JONES: Assuming that 4C votes
21 to approve the settlement agreement --

22 MS. FLETCHER: Yes.

1 MR. JONES: -- you said that
2 cancels the --

3 MS. FLETCHER: If ANC 4C is the
4 only protestant in this matter at this stage
5 --

6 MR. JONES: Okay.

7 MS. FLETCHER: -- if ANC 4C enters
8 into settlement agreement with Sweet Mango,
9 you will send it in for Board approval. And
10 once the Board approves it, any hearings are
11 canceled.

12 MR. JONES: Okay.

13 MS. FLETCHER: If there's a
14 mediation, a status hearing or a protest
15 hearing, all those dates are canceled because
16 they're no longer necessary because the ANC
17 entered into a settlement agreement to resolve
18 its concerns with Sweet Mango.

19 MR. JONES: But then too, if the
20 party that was a signatory to the -- I believe
21 it was the '06 settlement agreement -- does
22 not sign anything, the restrictive elements of

1 the one that was entered into in '06 are still
2 in force?

3 MS. FLETCHER: Yes The Board
4 enforces the provisions that are most
5 restrictive.

6 So you can decide if you want to
7 sign another settlement agreement or keep the
8 one that you already have. That would be up
9 to the ANC.

10 Any other questions, Mr. Jones?

11 MR. JONES: I don't need
12 questions. I need answers. What you can do
13 to get UNC in line so we have a less
14 restrictive one?

15 MS. FLETCHER: Yes. That's
16 between you and that organization. Yes.

17 MR. JONES: Okay. Well, I know
18 what my marching orders are.

19 MS. FLETCHER: What?

20 MR. JONES: I know what my
21 marching orders are.

22 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Well, the

1 license renewal application is dismissed.

2 MR. JONES: And let me see.

3 Dismissed and after this, the next step is?

4 MS. FLETCHER: The next step is --

5 MR. JONES: They'd have to seek --

6 the Applicant has to seek reinstatement.

7 MS. FLETCHER: Reinstatement. The

8 Applicant has to seek reinstatement of this

9 renewal application.

10 And they need to explain why they

11 weren't here today.

12 MR. JONES: Okay.

13 MS. FLETCHER: And let's say the

14 Board accepts their explanation. If the Board

15 accepts their explanation and reinstates the

16 license renewal application, then you'll be

17 contacted by me because then mediation will be

18 required unless the parties have already

19 entered into a settlement agreement.

20 But if the ANC decides there's no

21 need to do that because the other one is more

22 restrictive -- and you mentioned before that

1 would defeat the purpose -- you could decide
2 to withdraw your protest. Or you could decide
3 to come to mediation with Sweet Mango -- go
4 through the mediation process -- after which
5 there's a status hearing and a protest
6 hearing.

7 And at the protest hearing, the
8 Board hears testimony from all the parties.
9 ANC 4C has filed a protest based on peace,
10 order and quiet, so you would give testimony
11 to the ABC Board with respect to why you think
12 the license should not be renewed.

13 That's what this is all about.
14 ANC 4C is against the renewal of the license.
15 That's why you filed the protest.

16 So if you have any questions
17 beyond that, Mr. Jones, you feel free to give
18 me a call. And my email address is also on
19 that sheet.

20 But for the purpose of the roll
21 call hearing, it is over.

22 Like I said, take my card. Feel

1 free to call.

2 But there's nothing that you need
3 to do at this stage except to wait to receive
4 information --

5 MR. JONES: Reluctant
6 organization.

7 MS. FLETCHER: Exactly. We have
8 nothing to do with that. And you can engage
9 another organization to come on board with the
10 terms that you want, then you can do that and
11 you can submit that settlement agreement to
12 the ABC Board for review.

13 MR. JONES: If we submit a
14 settlement agreement for review, will we still
15 have the option of mediation?

16 MS. FLETCHER: Well, we won't
17 schedule mediation if there's a settlement
18 agreement.

19 MR. JONES: Okay. Okay. That was
20 my question.

21 MS. FLETCHER: Yes. The purpose
22 of mediation is to reach a settlement

1 agreement.

2 MR. JONES: Okay.

3 MS. FLETCHER: so if there is one,
4 we won't schedule a mediation.

5 MR. JONES: Okay. I know what I
6 need to do. Okay. Thank you.

7 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Well, thank
8 you very much for coming.

9 The roll call hearing is
10 concluded.

11 Thank you, Mr. Jones.

12 (Whereupon, at 11:23 a.m., the
13 hearing was concluded.)

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