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GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE REGULATION ADMINISTRATION
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF :
Chaplin Restaurant D.C., LLC: Case #15-PRO-00121
t/a Chaplin :
1501 9th Street NW :
License #ABRA-095700 :
Retailer Class CR :
License Renewal :

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Monday, May 9, 2016

Whereupon, the above-referenced matter
came on for hearing at the Alcoholic Beverage
Control Board, Reeves Center, 2000 14th Street,
N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009.

1 CHAIRPERSON:

2 LAVERNE FLETCHER, Presiding

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4 ALSO PRESENT:

5 JOYCE NJORGE

6 BRIAN PETERS

7 ALEXANDER M. PADRO

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

2 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Advisory

3 Neighborhood Commission 6E is here and the
4 Central Shaw Neighborhood Association, so we can
5 get started. Would the parties in the matter of
6 Chaplin please come forward. This is Case #16-
7 PRO-00021, Chaplin Restaurant D.C., LLC, trading
8 as Chaplin, 1501 9th Street Northwest, License #
9 ABRA-095700. This is a Retailer Class CR license
10 renewal. Protest issues are adverse impact on
11 peace, order and quiet. My name is Laverne
12 Fletcher. I am conducting the roll call hearing
13 as the Board's Agent pursuant to D.C. Official
14 Code 1601.2. Introductions beginning with the
15 Applicant, please.

16 MS. NJORGE: Joyce Njorge for Chaplin
17 Restaurant.

18 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: And Joyce would
19 you please spell your last name for the record?

20 MS. NJORGE: Yes, N-J-O-R-O-G-E.

21 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Okay, and can you
22 pronounce that one more time?

1 MS. NJORGE: Njoroge.

2 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Njoroge, thank
3 you. And you are the Attorney for the applicant?

4 MS. NJORGE: Agent.

5 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: You're the agent for the
6 applicant?

7 MS. NJORGE: Yes.

8 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Okay. And present
9 on behalf of ANC 6E?

10 MR. PADRO: Alexander M. Padro for ANC
11 6E.

12 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Mr. Padro, would
13 you spell your last name?

14 MR. PADRO: P as in Peter, A- D as in
15 David, R-O.

16 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Is it Alexandro?

17 MR. PADRO: Alexander.

18 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Oh, I think we
19 spelled it wrong. Could you spell it for me, Mr.
20 Padro?

21 MR. PADRO: A-L-E-X-A-N-D-E-R.

22 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: D-E-R. And

1 present on behalf of Central Shaw Neighborhood
2 Association

3 MR. PETERS: Brian Peters. B-R-I-A-N, P-
4 E-T-E-R-S.

5 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr.
6 Peters for the association. Did it give the
7 applicant at least seven days' notice of the
8 meeting it held regarding the protest?

9 MR. PETERS: Yes.

10 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Thank you. And
11 the ANC 6E and the Central Shaw Neighborhood
12 Association have standing as protestants. We
13 need to set a date for Mediation, a Status
14 Hearing, and a Protest Hearing, however, the
15 person that assigns the dates for the Status and
16 Protest Hearings is not here today, so we'll set
17 a date for the Mediation, the next available date
18 that you're available, and then you'll get the
19 dates of the Status and Protest Hearing later.
20 The next available date for Mediation is
21 Thursday, May 19th at 9:00, 10:00 or 11:00.
22 MR. PADRO: I will not be in District of

1 Columbia.

2 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Okay, the
3 following week, the next available date is
4 Tuesday, May 24th at 9:00, 10:00 or 11:00.

5 MR. PADRO: I will still be out of town.
6 Probably the first day that I will be available
7 and back in the city is the 2nd of June.

8 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Okay. Well, then
9 we can, let's see here, one second. You'll be
10 back on --

11 MR. PADRO: I'll be at a conference out
12 of town, I apologize for that.

13 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Well, you'll be
14 back just on the second, we could do it on the
15 2nd unless you want to move to the following
16 week. We can do that, it's not a problem. We
17 can --

18 MR. PADRO: It would probably safer to do
19 it the following week.

20 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Is that okay with
21 you Mr. Peters if we move along to the next week?
22 Because I normally, all the parties attend the

1 same protest, but if your association wanted to
2 come before separately, it's okay with us. So,
3 do you want to just wait until the ANC is ready?

4 MR. PETERS: I'm fine to wait, that's
5 fine.

6 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Okay. Then I will
7 move along to the week of June 6th, the next
8 available date in June is June 7th at 9:00, 10:00
9 or 11:00 and then also June 9th of that week, 7th
10 or 9th.

11 MR. PADRO: The 9th.

12 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: The 9th is better
13 for you?

14 MS. NJORGE: The 7th is better for us.

15 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: The 9th?

16 MS. NJORGE: The 7th.

17 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: The 7th? So, can
18 you not come on the 9th? If you can't, we can
19 keep moving. If you can't come on the 9th. We
20 have to also see if Mr. Padro can come on the
21 9th. But if you...

22 MR. PADRO: I will be available on the

1 9th.

2 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: So, if you can't
3 come on the 9th, Ms. Njorge, then we'll keep
4 going.

5 MS. NJORGE: Okay.

6 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: So, we're going to
7 move on to the next week of June the 13th.

8 MS. NJORGE: Okay.

9 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Okay, so the next
10 available date in that week is June the 13th in
11 the afternoon at 1:30 or the 16th at 9:00, 10:00
12 or 11:00.

13 MS. NJORGE: The 13th at 1:30 for us
14 works better.

15 MR. PADRO: I'm going to have a
16 conference that ends at 2:00 on the 13th.

17 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: We can do it on
18 Thursday, the 16th.

19 MR. PADRO: Okay, that works for me.

20 MS. NJORGE: What time?

21 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: 9:00, 10:00 or
22 11:00.

1 MS. NJORGE: 11:00.

2 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: 11:00?

3 MR. PADRO: [inaudible]

4 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Okay, so Thursday,
5 June 16, at 11:00 for Mediation. When you
6 receive the notice for the date of Mediation
7 it'll include the date for the Status and Protest
8 Hearing also. Mr. Peters, did you put your
9 contact information on that sheet?

10 MR. PETERS: I did

11 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Okay, thank you,
12 I'll get it. Okay, well then, any questions at
13 all? Ms. Njorge, I'm trying to pronounce your
14 name.

15 MS. NJORGE: That's fine.

16 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: I'm trying to
17 pronounce your name, I'll get it eventually. Did
18 you put your contact information on that sheet
19 already?

20 MS. NJORGE: Yes I did, and I have a
21 question.

22 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Yes?

1 MS. NJORGE: We did not get any notice
2 about the ANC meeting at all.

3 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: The ANC is not
4 required to give notice, just the Citizens
5 Association. The ANC is not required to give an
6 establishment a notice of its meetings but the
7 associations are required to give a notice to the
8 establishment of its meeting. It's not a
9 requirement for the ANC. Anything else? Yeah,
10 it's not a requirement. Do you have a follow-up
11 question, though? Any follow-up question? If
12 you do, I can address it at this time. Any
13 follow-up? Any additional questions about that?
14 Ms. Njorge that's it?

15 MS. NJORGE: Yes.

16 CHAIRPERSON FLETCHER: Okay, well then
17 the Roll Call Hearing is concluded and thank you
18 for coming and see you in Mediation.

19 [Whereupon, at 10:13 a.m. the
20 above-entitled matter concluded.]