DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD
MEETING

IN THE MATTER OF:

LEGAL AGENDA:
LICENSING AGENDA:
SUPPLEMENTAL LICENSING AGENDA:
AGENDA:
LICENSING ADMINISTRATIVE DOCKET:
BOARD TEMPORARY LICENSE:
AND ONE-DAY SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE DOCKET:

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Wednesday
June 30, 2021

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met via Webex videoconference, Chairperson Donovan W. Anderson presiding.

PRESENT:
DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson
RAFI ALIYA CROCKETT, Member
EDWARD S. GRANDIS, Member
JENI HANSEN, Member
JAMES SHORT, JR., Member

ALSO PRESENT:

SIMONE ANDREWS, DC ABRA Staff
1. **P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S**

2. 12:07 p.m.

3. **CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON:** All right. So, we have now completed our morning session. And so, let's do a calendar. The first calendar we're going to do this morning is the legal calendar, legal agenda.

4. The first matter on our legal agenda is the settlement agreement dated June 15th, 2021 between ANC 5C and The Public Option, License No. 118096. I make a motion that we approve this agreement with modifications. Is there a second?

5. **MEMBER CROCKETT:** Ms. Crockett seconds.

6. **CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON:** Ms. Crockett has second the motion. We'll now have a roll call vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

7. **MEMBER SHORT:** Mr. Short. I agree.

8. **CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON:** Ms. Crockett.

9. **MEMBER CROCKETT:** Rafi Crockett. I agree.

10. **CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON:** Ms. Hansen.

11. **MEMBER HANSEN:** Jeni Hansen. I agree.

12. **CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON:** Mr. Grandis.

13. **MEMBER GRANDIS:** Edward Grandis. I
I agree. The matter passed five, zero, zero.

The next matter on our legal agenda is the review of a settlement agreement dated June 17th, 2021, including ANC 6A and Toki Underground, License No. 118153. I make a motion that we approve this request. Is there a second?

MEMBER CROCKETT: Ms. Crockett

seconds.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett has second the motion. We'll now have a roll call vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson.

I agree. The matter passed five, zero, zero.

The next matter is review of
applicant's motion to quash subpoena, and motion in limine to limit evidence at the protest hearing. This is for Signature Lounge, License No. 117485.

This is for a hearing that we will be having this afternoon. The Board will conduct oral arguments on the motion. And we will make the decision whether or not we're going to grant or deny the motion. So, that's the decision that the Board will be making for Number 3 on our legal agenda today.

The second, next case on our agenda is review of the protestants' opposition for applicant's motion to quash subpoena, and motion in limine to limit evidence at the protest hearing. This is on Signature Lounge, License No. 117485.

And again, this is scheduled for a 1:30 p.m. protest hearing. And the Board will again listen to oral arguments, and make the determination whether or not they are going grant, deny, or whether or not they, they protestants' opposition will be moot. Also, we'll make the decision once we have the hearing this afternoon at 1:30 p.m.
The next case on our legal agenda is to review the amended settlement agreement dated June 10th, 2021 between Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3B and Breadsoda, License No. 78085. I make a motion that we approve this matter. Is there a second?

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I second.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Short has second the motion. We'll now have a roll call vote on this motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson.

I agree. The matter passed five, zero, zero.

The next matter on our agenda is a review of Aloha CR3W Entertainment and Catering, request for reinstatement of its cancelled license, License No. 108399. I make a motion
that we approve this request. Is there a second?

MEMBER CROCKETT: Ms. Crockett

Seconds.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett

has second the motion. We'll not have a roll
call vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I
agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis. I
agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson.
I agree. The matter passed five, zero, zero.

The next matter is the review of the
settlement agreement dated June 22nd, 2021
between Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E, the
Citizens Association of Georgetown, and Towne
Wine & Liquor, License No. 093813. I make a
motion that we approve this request. Is there a
second?

MEMBER CROCKETT: Ms. Crockett
seconds.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett has second the motion. We'll now have a roll call vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson.

I agree. The matter passes five, zero, zero.

The next matter is the review of A&S Grocery's response to protest the change from Class B to Class A. I make a motion. The License No. is 101367. I make a motion to support that we deny the request.

And the reason why the Board will, I'm asking to Board to vote to deny the request, it is premature to approve the motion at this juncture, with the protest pending that are scheduled for a roll call hearing on July 12th,
2021. So, is there a second?

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I second.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Short has second the motion. We'll now have a roll call vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson.

I agree. The matter passed five, zero, zero.

The next matter is the review of a settlement agreement dated June 15, 2021 between Advisory Neighborhood Commission 7E with the Capitol View Civic Association and Toni's Market, License No. 102043. I make a motion that we approve this agreement with modifications. Is there a second?

MEMBER CROCKETT: Ms. Crockett seconds.
CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett has second the motion. We'll now have a roll call to vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson.

I agree. The matter passes five, zero, zero.

The next matter is a review of an amended settlement agreement dated June, I'm sorry, January 14th 2020 between Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B and Bricklane Restaurant, License No. 109778. The motion has been made back to the Board is that the Board rescind its approval of the amended settlement agreement, which the Board approved on January 28th, 2020, due to the Licensee's failure to address the trade name discrepancy after ample notice from the Agency. Is there a second?
MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short seconds.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Short has seconded the motion. We'll now have a roll call vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson. I agree. The matter passed five, zero, zero.

The next matter is a review of the settlement agreement dated June 25th, 2021 between the Westminster Neighborhood Association and Secret Lounge, License No. 107123. I make a motion that we approve this agreement with modifications. Excuse me. Is there a second?

MEMBER CROCKETT: Ms. Crockett seconds.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett has second the motion. We'll now have a roll
call vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson.

I agree. The matter is passed five, zero, zero. We now move to our licensing agenda. The first matter on license agenda is to review application of change of hours. This is for Creole on 14th Street, License No. 115577. I make a motion that we placard this matter. Is there a second?

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I second.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Short has second the motion. We'll now have a roll call vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.
CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And Mr. Anderson. I agree. The matter passed five, zero, zero.

The next matter is a review application for a sidewalk caf, with 12 seats. This is for Haad Thai Restaurant, License No. 021540. I make a motion that we approve this. Is there a second?

MEMBER CROCKETT: Ms. Crockett seconds.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett has second the motion. We'll now have a roll call vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.
MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis.

Disagree

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And Mr. Anderson. I agree. The matter passed four to one with Mr. Grandis in disagreement.

The next matter on our agenda is review application for a tasting permit. This is for Sav-On Liquors, License No. 116481. I make a motion that we approve this request. Is there a second?

MEMBER CROCKETT: Ms. Crockett

seconds.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett has second the motion. We'll have a roll call vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson.
I agree. The matter passed five, zero, zero.

We now move to a supplemental licensing agenda. The first matter on our supplemental licensing agenda is review request for a disposal permit to transport unopened alcohol beverage inventory to Mi Casa Dupont LLC at 1647 20th Street, ABRA License 117679. The request has been made by Rosa Mexicano, License No. 060757. I make a motion that we approve this request.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Ms. Crockett seconds.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett has second the motion. We'll now have a roll call vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr., I'm sorry, Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis. I agree.
CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And Mr. Anderson. I agree. The matter passed five, zero, zero.

We now move to our temporary one-day license docket. Now, there are 14 requests on this docket. I’m going to name all the requests. And at the end of the list I will make a motion that the Board grant all the requests.

So, the first request, the request names Lana W. Mahmoud. This is for a one-day Class F license for July 17. And the License No. is 118647. And this is at 535 8th Street, Southeast.

The next request is a request made by Assal M. Ravandi. This is a one-day license, Class F. This is for the Annual Veterans Award Ceremony. This will be held July 3rd, 2021 at 1301 Constitution Avenue, I'm sorry, Northwest. The License No. is 118722.

The next request, a request made by Mary E. Lesher. This is for a one-day license, Class F. This is an outdoor screening. This is for July 7th, 2021. The License No. is 118704.

We have another request made by Mary E. Lesher. This is for another one-day license,
Class F. This is for outdoor film screening July 14th, 2021. The License No. is 118703.

There's another request, again made by Mary E. Lesher. This is a one-day Class License F, outdoor film screening, for July 21st, 2021, at 2715 Q Street Northwest. The License No. is 118702.

The next request, another request made by Mary E. Lesher, a one-day license, Class F, outdoor film screening. This is July 28th, 2021, 2715 Q Street, Northwest. The License No. is 118705.

There's another request that's made by Mary E. Lesher. It's a one-day license, Class F. This is a volunteer run theater performance. This is September 8th, September 9th, September 10th, 2715 Q Street. The License No. is 118706.

Another, a request made by Kayonna M. Miles. This is a one-day license, Class F, baby shower, August 1st, 2021. The address is 2111 Florida Avenue, Northwest. The License No. 118717.

A request made by Je Rome C. Sammy, a one-day license, Class F, social gathering on holiday weekend. This is on July 2nd, 2021 at
1401 Okie Street, Northeast. The License No. is 118665.

The next matter on our agenda is a request made by Je Rome C. Sammy, a one-day license, Class G, social gathering with DJ. It's on July 4th, 2021 at 1099 14th Street, Northwest. The License No. is 118666.

The next request, a request made by Zachary T. Conaway, a one-day license, Class G. This is for a wedding August 13th, 2021 at 1340 Quincy Street, Northeast. The License No. is 118682.

A request made by Jesse B. Rauch, a one-day license, Class G. This is holiday hosting neighborhood events as an introduction to the community. This is a date for July 15th, July 16th, July 17th, July 18th. And the License No. is 118721.

The next request, another request from Jesse B. Rauch, a one-day license, Class G, hosting neighborhood events as an introduction to the neighborhood, to the community. This is for July 22nd, July 23rd, July 24th, July 25th. The License No. is 118719. And that is at 640 Rhode Island Avenue, Northeast.
And the last request is a request made by Kate A. Levenstein. This is a one-day license, Class G, a golf event July 17th, 2021. This is at 6100 16th Street, Northwest. The License No. is 118723.

I make a motion that the Board grant all the licenses that were requested. Is there a second?

MEMBER CROCKETT: Ms. Crockett seconds.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett has second the motion. We'll now have a roll call vote on that motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis agrees.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And Mr. Anderson. I agree. The matter passed five, zero, zero. We now move to the Board's docket.
And there are, on the Board's docket for the day there are 21 requests.

I'm going to go through all 21 names.

I will state the applicant. I will state their class, category, and what's been requested. And I will ask that the Board approve them.

The first request is a request made by 1789 Restaurant/Tombs/F. Scotts, License No. 009239. They are a Retailer C restaurant. It's change, trade name change application. The new name is Fitzgerald's.

The next request, a request made by Jose A. Mercado, Jr. This is for a personal importation permit application. The application, the License No. is 21-IMP-00016.

The next request is a request made by Alexander John Meyer. Again, it's for a personal importation permit application. The License No. is 21-IMP-00017.

The next request is made by Brenda Carr. This is again another personal importation permit application. The License No. is 21-IMP-00018.

The next request, a request made by Joseph Byrne. This is again for personal
importation permit application. The License No. is 21-IMP-00013.

The next request, a request made by Ruth's Chris Steak House, License No. 114779. They're a Retailer C restaurant. This is a change of officer application to add Steven G. Szucs, S-Z-U-C-S.

The next request, a request made by Ruth's Chris Steak House, License No. 114779, a Retailer C restaurant. It's a change of officer application to add Mary C. Lynch.

The next request is a request from Ruth's Chris Steak House, License No. 114779, Retailer C restaurant, a change of officer application for Kristy L. Chipman.

The next request, a request made by Ruth's Chris Steak House, License No. 114779, Retailer C restaurant, change of officer application, Erik M. Jenkins.

The next request, a request made by Ruth's Chris Steak House, License No. 114779, a Retailer C restaurant. It's a letter of request to remove officer Arne G. Haak, H-A-A-K.

The next request, a request made by Ruth's Chris Steak House, License No. 114779, a
Retailer C restaurant, letter of request to remove officer Alice G. Givens.

The next request, a request made by Sara's Market, License No. 086230, Retailer B. This is a transfer with sale application.

The next request is a request from Tap99, License No. 116883, a Retailer C tavern. This is a new ABC license application.

The next request is requested by Hiwot Ethiopian Restaurant & Market, License No. 100297. It's a Retailer C restaurant. It's a letter of request to expand the first floor capacity from 16 to 27, to add the second store with the capacity of 45, with a total load of 72.

The next request, a request made by DLS events, License No. 116837. It's a catering license, and new ABC license application.

The next request was first made by Eaton DC, License No. 118161. They're a Retailer B 25 percent. It's a new ABC license application.

The next request, a request made by Stop Smackn Restaurant & Lounge, License No. 118129, a Retailer C tavern, new ABC license application.
Next request, a request from Capo Deli, License No. 1180895, Retailer C tavern, new ABC license application.

The next request, Rodman's Discount Food & Drugs, License No. 118104. They're a retailer D restaurant, new ABC license application.

The next request is a request from Toki Underground, License No. 118153, Retailer C tavern, new ABC license application.

The next request, a request made by Kezira Lounge, a Retailer C restaurant. It's a transfer with sale application.

I therefore make a motion that ABC Board grant the requests that were made by all the applicants in the cases that were just mentioned. Is there a second?

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I second.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Short has second the motion. We'll now have a roll call vote on the motion. Mr. Short.

MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett.

MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett. I agree.
CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Hansen.

MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grandis.

MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis. I agree.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And Mr. Anderson. I agree. The matter passes five, zero, zero.

We have now come to the end of our morning agenda items. And so the Board will now be in recess until 1:30 p.m. this afternoon.

(Whereupon, the above-entitled matter went off the record at 12:29 p.m.)
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