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2 10:06 a.m.

3 MS. FLETCHER: Would the parties in the  
4 matter of MK Lounge and Restaurant please come  
5 forward. The parties in the matter of MK Lounge  
6 and Restaurant. This is Case Number 19-PRO-  
7 00115. It's 1930 9th Street, Northwest, License  
8 Number ABRA-088787.

9 This is a Retailer Class CT license  
10 renewal. The protest issues are adverse impact  
11 on peace, order and quiet, residential parking  
12 and vehicular and pedestrian safety, and real  
13 property values.

14 My name is Laverne Fletcher conducting  
15 the roll call hearing as the Board's Agent.  
16 Introductions beginning with the Applicant,  
17 please. Would the Applicant please state -  
18 excuse me, sir, could you state your name and  
19 spell it for the record?

20 MR. ZEWDIE: My name is Zewdie, Derege,  
21 D-E-R-E-G-E, Z-E-W-D-I-E.

22 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. What's the first  
23 name?

24 MR. ZEWDIE: Derege, D-E-R-E-G-E.

25 MS. FLETCHER: Could you spell a little

1 bit slower for us. Thank you.

2 MR. ZEWDIE: D-E-R-E-G-E.

3 MS. FLETCHER: And what's your last  
4 name?

5 MR. ZEWDIE: Z-E-W-D-I-E.

6 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Thank you. And  
7 person on behalf of ANC 1B.

8 MR. ORLASKEY: Dan Orlaskey for Sheriff  
9 1B-02.

10 MS. FLETCHER: Could you spell your  
11 name for the record, please?

12 MR. ORLASKEY: My first name or last  
13 name?

14 MS. FLETCHER: Both.

15 MR. ORLASKEY: Daniel, D-A-N-I-E-L,  
16 Orlaskey, O-R-L-A-S-K-E-Y.

17 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr. Orlaskey.  
18 And the abutting property owner, please.

19 MR. SCHLOM: Yes, good morning. My  
20 name is Evan Schlom. First name is E-V-A-N, last  
21 name is S-C-H-L-O-M, appearing on behalf of  
22 myself as the abutting property owner.

23 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you Mr. Schlom.  
24 The - so the - I know that the properties do  
25 abut. Let me ask you about unit number 302. Is

1 that abutting as well?

2 MR. SCHLOM: Yes, it is. I submitted  
3 documentation (simultaneous speaking).

4 MS. FLETCHER: Yes, I just have to ask  
5 you anyway just for the record.

6 MR. SCHLOM: Yes, it is.

7 MS. FLETCHER: Okay, thank you. Does  
8 the Applicant have any comment related to whether  
9 or not the property of Mr. Schlom abuts the  
10 establishment?

11 MR. ZEWDIE: Well, whatever I wrote on  
12 the paperwork. We haven't done any construction  
13 on the building. And as far as the parking, I  
14 have no control over the parking space. And most  
15 all of my employees take Uber, including myself,  
16 even on weekends. I don't drive so I don't have  
17 any issue with parking.

18 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Thank you. Mr.  
19 Schlom, you're granted standing as an abutting  
20 property owner, and ANC 1B is granted standing as  
21 well. We need to set a date for a mediation, a  
22 status hearing, and the protest hearing. I'll  
23 give you the dates for the status and protest  
24 hearing first. The status hearing is set for  
25 January 29, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. The protest

1 hearing is set for February 26th at 1:30 p.m. You  
2 just wrote your contact information on that  
3 sheet?

4 MR. ZEWDIE: Yes, I did.

5 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Thank you very  
6 much. I'm going to give you the next available  
7 date for mediation. The next available date for  
8 mediation is Thursday, December the 5th, Thursday,  
9 December 5, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, pretty much any  
10 time that day up until 2:00.

11 MR. SCHLOM: I'm not available that  
12 day.

13 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. I'm going to keep  
14 on moving. The next available day of Thursday,  
15 December 12th. Is that good for MK Lounge,  
16 Thursday, December 12th.

17 MR. ZEWDIE: That's fine.

18 MS. FLETCHER: You have a preference in  
19 terms of time? It can be 9:00, 10:00, 10:30,  
20 11:00, pretty much any time.

21 MR. ZEWDIE: Eleven o'clock is good for  
22 me.

23 MS. FLETCHER: Is it good for you, Mr.  
24 Orlaskey?

25 MR. ORLASKEY: I'd prefer earlier than

1 that, if 9:00 is doable. Nine a.m. Is that  
2 good?

3 MR. ZEWDIE: I work in the evening, and

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5 (Simultaneous speaking.)

6 MS. FLETCHER: What time?

7 MR. ZEWDIE: 10:00.

8 MS. FLETCHER: 10:00. Mediation is set  
9 for Thursday, December 12th at 10:00. Any  
10 questions at all? Any questions at all?

11 MR. ORLASKEY: No.

12 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Well, thank you  
13 very much. See you then. The roll call hearing  
14 is concluded. Thank you.

15 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter  
16 went off the record at 10:11 a.m.)

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