

Minutes
Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis (ABC) Committee
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
September 22, 2026 at 7:00 pm
Virtual Meeting—Held on Zoom

Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis (ABC) Committee (“Committee”) of ANC 6A was held commencing at 7:00 pm ET on September 22, 2026, on a publicly posted Zoom connection.

Committee Members Present: Jeff Giertz (Chair)

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Shapiro, Commissioner Butler

Establishment Representatives Present: None

- I. Call to Order/Approval of Agenda/Approval of Minutes
 - Chair Giertz welcomed the Commissioners and took attendance. The meeting agenda was approved by unanimous consent.
- II. New Business
 - The ABC Committee began discussing a request for an exception to the restriction on the sale of single alcoholic beverages for Jumbo Liquors, located at 1122 H Street NE (ABCA License No. 000420)
 - Chair Giertz noted that in 2008, DC Council approved and the Mayor signed a law that banned the sale of single containers of certain alcoholic beverages in Ward 6. Later, that ban was expanded to cover other wards of the city, such as Ward 7 and 8, but not all wards are included in the single sale ban.
 - Giertz stated that the law allows establishments to petition ABCA for an exception to the ban and requires ABCA to reach out to affected ANCs for feedback. The law also excludes full-service grocery stores, such as Whole Foods, located on H Street, from the ban.
 - Giertz commented that ANC 6A’s views on an establishment applying for an exception are just one factor ABCA must consider, and that the ban is arguably ineffective, because establishments have responded by offering two-container sales as a workaround. Furthermore, Giertz commented that it seems unfair to allow a large corporation like Whole Foods or Giant to offer single container sales but not permit small businesses to operate by the same rules.
 - **Chair Giertz moved and Commissioner Shapiro seconded a motion to recommend that ANC 6A take no action with respect to Jumbo Liquor’s application for an exception to the single sale restriction. The motion carried 3-0.**
- III. Community Comment
 - One attendee who did not identify themselves inputted a comment in the Zoom meeting chat that they were opposed to the exception.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday October 27, 2026 at 7:00 pm via Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 pm.