

ANC6A ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENCING COMMITTEE  
MONTHLY MEETING - SHERWOOD RECREATION CENTER  
TUESDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2013

Attendees

COMMITTEE PRESENT:

Katy Ziegler Thomas, acting chair; Kay (Mary Cary) Bradley; Roger Caruth; Michael Herman; Anne Marie Koshuta; Dave Oberting; Christopher Seagle

COMMITTEE ABSENT:

Adam Healy

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

David Holmes, Calvin Ward

COMMUNITY:

Margaret Holwill, James O'Brien, Doug Baj

Meeting called to order at 7pm by Katy Ziegler Thomas, serving as chair of the committee in the absence of Adam Healy.

Announcements from Commissioner David Holmes

1. Commissioner Jay Williams, an attorney, has been elected by the ANC to serve as the new chair of the ABL Committee.
2. All licences for CR's are up for 3-year renewal, and the review process will begin next month.
3. Regarding special events at 7<sup>th</sup> and H Streets NE, the mayor's office has created a task force to review the issues reported at the site. The task force's sole focus will be the arts space at 7<sup>th</sup> and H; nowhere else. This situation will be handled through the mayor's office and will not come back to the ABL Committee as an issue or agenda item.
  - (a) The owners of the building at 7<sup>th</sup> and H had been invited to attend tonight's meeting, but they had a conflict and could not be present.
4. Thanks are in order for the committee, both new members and long-term members. The committee is a very important component of community involvement now that the H Street corridor has grown larger than Barracks Row.
5. Commissioner Holmes did not stay to attend the meeting proceedings.

Old Business

1. Alternatives for this sort of activity, when causing problems, include MPD and the fire marshal and ABRA. DCRA regulations could be needing enforcement, but they are not available night and evening.

New Business

1. RedRocks, new CR licence.
  - (a) Identical businesses have already been established, first in Columbia Heights, then Old Town Alexandria, and recently in Penrose Square Arlington.
  - (b) Objective of proposed entertainment is to provide a low-key post-dining experience. The indoor proposed entertainment area has its own wood oven, and could be used as well for separate private dining.
  - (c) The outdoor space on the 3<sup>rd</sup> level is backed by a wall approximately 10 feet high, and fronted by a skylight about 5 feet high. No musical entertainment is planned for the outside area.
  - (d) There is a retractable roof on this building. Three of five segments of the skylight that face H Street retract upon the remaining two. There is a public room between the area that can be uncovered and the area in which entertainment is proposed.
  - (e) Margaret Holwill recommends that the permitted opening times be adjusted to the earliest allowed in order to participate in any special events in the community.

(f) Katy Ziegler Thomas made motion to protest the CR licence unless a signed voluntary agreement were submitted to the ANC prior to the protest date. Seconded by Christopher. Passed by unanimous vote: 8-0-0 including Commissioner Ward.

Meeting adjourned by Katy Ziegler Thomas at 7:34pm.