

Minutes
Alcoholic Beverage Licensing (ABL) Committee
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
September 16, 2014

Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee (“Committee”) of ANC 6A was held commencing at 7:00 pm on September 16, 2014 at Sherwood Recreation Center, 640 Tenth (10th) Street NE, Washington, DC 20002.

Committee Members Present: Jay Williams (Chair), Michael Herman, Adam Healy, David Oberting, and Christopher Seagle.

Committee Members Absent: Roger Caruth.

Commissioners Present: None.

Community Members Present: Rafael Marshall and Coralie Farlee (ANC 6D ABL Committee).

I. Call to Order

Chairman Jay Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business with a quorum. Mr. Williams reviewed the agenda and asked if there were any additions or edits. There were none.

II. Community Comment

- None

III. Old Business

- Mr. Williams reported that ANC 6A had approved an agreement with H Street Country Club and Rock and Roll Hotel to extend the establishments’ rooftop deck hours on weekends, but with earlier closing hours for the rear deck facing the alley. He further reported that the protest hearing regarding the request by Little Miss Whiskey’s Golden Dollar was moving forward because Little Miss Whiskey’s had refused to negotiate.

IV. New Business

A. Discussion of Class B Retail license renewal for China House at 1601 Benning Road NE (ABRA # 025169).

- Mr. Williams noted that all of the establishments discussed at today’s meeting had settlement agreements with the ANC.
- Mr. Williams reported that he had notified the Commissioner in whose single-member district the establishment was located about the renewal, and that she had reported there were no complaints she was aware of.
- Mr. Williams further reported that he had heard no complaints regarding the establishment.
- Mr. Williams reported that according to the investigative history, there were a couple of investigations of incidents of sales to minors, but he did not feel there were enough to be concerning. Community member Mr. Rafael Marshall stated that he believed all sales to minors were concerning. Mr. Williams agreed, but said he didn’t believe the investigative history was lengthy enough to justify action by the ANC without something more.

B. Discussion of Class B Retail license renewal for J & K Market at 234 15th Street NE (ABRA # 090684).

- Mr. Williams reported that he had similarly notified the Commissioner who covers this single-member district, and had also received no complaints.

C. Discussion of Class B Retail license renewal for M & T Grocer's Beer and Wine at 201 15th Street NE (ABRA # 077390).

- Mr. Williams reported that he had received no concerns from any neighbors or the single-member district Commissioner.

Mr. Williams moved/seconded by Mr. Seagle that the ANC take no action regarding the Class B Retail license renewals for China House (1601 Benning Road NE), J&K Market (234 15th Street NE), and M&T Grocer's beer and Wine (201 15th Street NE). Motion carried 5-0.

V. Adjourn

The Committee adjourned at 7:20 pm.