December 20, 2022 9200 Basil Court Largo, MD 20774 Virtual Hearing

Present:

Daphne Turpin-Forbes, Board Chair
Armando Camacho, Vice Chairman
Tammie Norman, Commissioner
Dennis Smith, Commissioner
Tammy Sparkman, Commissioner
Jason DeLoach, Esquire, Counsel
Terence Sheppard, Director
Robert Clark, Chief Liquor Inspector
Johnny Toles, Deputy Chief Liquor Inspector
Christian Mendoza, Deputy Chief Liquor Inspector
Leonard Vauss, Administrative Assistant
Keyanna Little, Administrative Aide
Katrice James, Administrative Aide
Alecia Hughes, Administrative Aide

Start Time: 10:12 a.m.

Commissioner Forbes: This is an open meeting for the Prince George's County Board of License Commissioners. Welcome to our House. To ensure compliance with the law (Maryland Open Meetings Act) and our goal of transparency, to please identify yourself when speaking and speak audibly. As a professional courtesy, when not speaking, please mute your device. If someone from the public that is not providing testimony as a witness today, I will recognize you in the hearing and give you an opportunity for your voice to be heard. Everyone's voice matters at the BOLC. We understand that some of you may be passionate about what you have to say and that passion, in this regard, is permissible. What is not permissible is if truth, facts, and respect are not grounded in your voice. Thank you in advance for being truthful, respectful, and honest during the entire proceeding.

Director Sheppard: During a typical hearing, there would be an exchange between the Board and the attorneys to exchange information as exhibits. Because this hearing is now virtual, we have implemented a 10-day rule to give those individuals here today, 10-days from today's date to add to the official record. I would ask that you email myself or the administrative staff of the BOLC. You may add information to the record long as it is information that has been discussed in this hearing.

PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

1. Substitution of Corporate Officers application, t/a University of Maryland, Class B, ECF/DS, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Room 1144 South Campus Dining Hall, College Park, 20742, Michael Fry to serve as Sr. Associate Director instead of Shirlene T. Chase, Assistant Director.

Represented by Linda Carter, Esquire.

Mr. Fry is the Senior Assistant Director of Dining Services for the University of Maryland and has been employed there for three and a half years.

Ms. Carter asked the standard questions used to qualify the Substitution of Corporate Officers Application. Including what are the six acceptable forms of I.D., and the legal age to purchase and sell alcohol. The applicant was able to answer each question. University of Maryland has sixteen hundred employees certified in Alcohol Awareness. Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to approve the SCO for t/a University of Maryland, seconded by Commissioner Norman.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

2. Substitution of Corporate Officers application, t/a University of Maryland Golf Course, Class C, GCC, Beer, Wine and Liquor, 3800 Golf Course Road, College Park, 20742, Michael Fry to serve as Sr. Associate Director instead of Shirlene T. Chase, Assistant Director.

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After Board vote, the motion carries.

REGULAR SESSION

TRANSFER:

1. Andrew Wiley, Authorized Person, for a Class D, Beer and Wine for the use of Chehar, Inc., **t/a Baden's Grocery**, 16709 Brandywine Road, Brandywine, 20613 transfer from Tae Enterprises, Inc., t/a Baden's Grocery, 16709 Brandywine Road, Brandywine, 20613, Kun Hewing, President/Secretary/Treasurer.

Represented by Robert Kim, Esquire.

An amendment has been made to the application to change Andrew Wiley's title from Authorized Person to President.

No objections to this action.

Mr. Kim asked the standard questions typically used to qualify the transfer of the license. Including what are the six acceptable forms of I.D., and the legal age to purchase and sell alcohol. The applicant was able to answer each question.

Mr. Wiley has completed Alcohol Awareness training on December 6, 2022, the certificate will be submitted once it's been received.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to approve the transfer of the Class D license for t/a Baden's Grocery, seconded by **Commissioner Norman.**

After Board vote, the motion carries.

2. Dinesh Malhotra, Member, Priyanka Malhotra, Member, Kavita Malhotra, Member, Amit Malhotra, Member, for a Class A, Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of Sunrise America, LLC, t/a Zach's Liquors, 6519 Annapolis Road, Hyattsville, 20784 transfer from Sunrise America, LLC, t/a Zach's Liquors, 6519 Annapolis Road, Hyattsville, 20784, Dinesh Malhotra, Managing Member.

Represented by Sean T. Morris, Esquire.

Mr. Dinesh Malhotra is the original licensee, the new owners are being added to the license.

This establishment received a violation for an underage sale, the employee attended Alcohol Awareness class and now I.D.'s will be properly checked.

Mr. Morris asked the standard questions typically used to qualify the transfer of the license. Including what are the six acceptable forms of I.D., and the legal age to purchase and sell alcohol. The applicants were able to answer each question.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to approve the transfer of the Class A license for t/a Zach's Liquors, seconded by **Commissioner Norman.**

After Board vote, the motion carries.

3. James R. Sprowl, Exalted Ruler, for a Class C(CLF), Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of Sidney Mudd Lodge 748, Inc., **t/a Sidney Mudd Lodge 748,** 13802 Old Marlboro Pike, Upper Marlboro, 20772 transfer from t/a Sidney Mudd Lodge 748, 13802 Old Marlboro Pike, Upper Marlboro, 20772, James R. Sprowl, Exalted Ruler, Carl Johnson, Treasurer.

Applicant does not have an attorney, acknowledge his right to an attorney, and agree to move forward without representation.

Commissioner Smith asked the standard questions typically used to qualify the transfer of the license. Including what are the six acceptable forms of I.D., and the legal age to purchase and sell alcohol. The applicant was able to answer each question.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to approve the transfer of the Class C(CLF) license for t/a Sidney Mudd Lodge 748, seconded by **Commissioner Norman.**

Our agency attorney advised the Board to amend the previous motion, this is not a transfer but a removal of the deceased from the license.

The Board is voting to remove Mr. Carl Johnson from the license for t/a Sidney Mudd Lodge 748, because he is now deceased. Mr. Sprowl will be the sole licensee on this license.

Commissioner Camacho accepted the amendment to the motion, seconded by **Commissioner Norman.**

No objections to the desired action.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

A twenty-minute recess was held at this time to ensure the safety of the staff.

NEW- CLASS B(BLX), BEER WINE AND LIQUOR:

1. Anthony Laday, Authorized Person, George Barry McGowan, Authorized Person, for a Class B(BLX), Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of Fogo de Chao Churrascaria (NH), LLC, **t/a Fogo de Chao Churrascaria**, 141 National Plaza, Suite E1-2, National Harbor, 20745.

Represented by Leanne Schrecengost, Esquire.

Chief Clark gave a maps presentation.

Mr. Laday stated that Fogo de Chao Churrascaria is an authentic all you can eat steakhouse concept prepared in a gourmet style.

The employees involved in the service of Alcohol will attend a Maryland certified training program.

All guests that appear to be thirty years old or younger will be asked for an I.D.

Ms. Schrecengost asked the standard questions used to qualify this type of license. Including what are the six acceptable forms of I.D., and the legal age to purchase and sell alcohol. The applicants were able to answer each question.

The tentative opening date is the second week of January.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to approve the Class B, BLX, license for t/a Fogo de Chao Churrascaria, seconded by **Commissioner Sparkman.**

After Board vote, the motion carries.

2. Brooks F. Schaden, Authorized Person, Shannon L. McNiel, Authorized Person, for a Class B(BLX), Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of TWB Maryland, LLC, t/a Tom's Watch Bar, 200 American Way, National Harbor, 20745.

Represented by Leanne Schrecengost, Esquire.

Chief Clark gave a maps presentation.

Mr. McNiel states that Tom's Watch Bar will be a casual dining sports restaurant.

Ms. Schrecengost states the new hours of operation were submitted to the agency.

There will be at least one employee that's certified in Alcohol Awareness on duty.

All guests that appear to be thirty-five years old and younger will be asked for an I.D.

Vertical I.D.'s will not be accepted at this establishment.

Ms. Schrecengost asked the standard questions used to qualify this type of license. Including what are the six acceptable forms of I.D., and the legal age to purchase and sell alcohol. The applicants were able to answer each question.

The tentative opening date is the end of March.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to approve the Class B, BLX, license for t/a Tom's Watch Bar, seconded by **Commissioner Sparkman.**

After Board vote, the motion carries.

NEW- CLASS D(NH), BEER AND WINE:

1. Shaina Taylor, President, for a Class D(NH), Beer and Wine for the use of Wonder Wineaux LLC, **t/a V-NO On The Harbor**, 137 Waterfront Street, Oxon Hill, 20745. Represented by **Eddie Pounds**, **Esquire**.

Chief Clark gave a maps presentation.

Mr. Pounds clarifies the t/a is V-NO At The Harbor.

V-NO At The Harbor will be a luxury wine bar experience, offering great education to understand beer and wine.

Ms. Taylor is Alcohol Awareness certified.

All employees will undergo Alcohol Awareness training.

There will be a carding policy in place, vertical I.D.'s will not be accepted at this establishment.

Mr. Pounds asked the standard questions used to qualify this type of license. Including what are the six acceptable forms of I.D., and the legal age to purchase and sell alcohol. The applicant was able to answer each question.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to approve the Class D (NH) license for t/a V-NO At The Harbor, seconded by **Commissioner Sparkman.**

After Board vote, the motion carries.

NEW- CLASS D, BEER AND WINE:

 David Barnes, Ultimate Member/Manager, David Freshwater, Ultimate Member/Manager, for a Class D, Beer and Wine for the use of Watermark Retirement Communities, LLC, t/a The Skybridge at Town Center, 360 Sky Bridge Drive, Upper Marlboro, 20774.

Applicants do not have an attorney, acknowledge their right to an attorney, and agree to move forward without representation.

The applicants have eighty retirement communities, including the Rockville, Maryland location with an Alcohol license.

The Skybridge at Town Center is a retirement community with several dining venues for residents.

The director, Ms. Joy Hart, will be TIPS certified.

Commissioner Norman asked the standard questions used to qualify this type of license. Including what are the six acceptable forms of I.D., and the legal age to purchase and sell alcohol. The applicants were able to answer each question.

Mr. Barnes states parts of this establishment are already open.

Director Sheppard asked for an amendment to both applications has been made to reflect yes, the applicants have previously been on an Alcohol license.

No objections to this action.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to approve the Class D license for t/a The Skybridge at Town Center, seconded by **Commissioner Sparkman.**

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Adjourned: 12:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alecia L. Hughes
Administrative Aide BOLC