

March 12, 2025

9200 Basil Court  
Largo, MD 20774

THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS MET IN ADMINISTRATIVE  
VOTING SESSION:

PRESENT:

Oretha Bridgwaters-Simms, Chair  
Armando Camacho, Vice Chair  
Tammie Norman, Commissioner  
Tammy Sparkman, Commissioner  
Dennis Smith, Commissioner  
Jason Deloach, Esquire, Counsel  
Terence Sheppard, Director  
Alecia Hughes, Assistant to the Director  
Cristian Mendoza, Deputy Chief Liquor Inspector  
Leonard Vauss, Deputy Chief Liquor Inspector  
Patricia Bell, Administrative Manager  
Katrice James, Administrative Aide  
Keyanna Little, Administrative Aide  
Ariana Posada-Mejia, Administrative Aide

In the matter of **t/a Big Ben Convenience Store**, the Board reviewed an alleged Public Nuisance (Cups of Ice) violation.

Mr. Camacho moved for an offer and compromise with a fine of \$1,500 and to take an Alcohol Awareness Training within 90 days. Approved by unanimous consent.

In the matter of **t/a Latinos Bar & Grill**, the Board reviewed an alleged Other than a Wholesaler, and Alcohol Awareness violations.

Mr. Camacho moved to show cause the establishment and approved by unanimous consent.

In the matter of **t/a T.G.I. Friday's (Laurel)**, 14600 Baltimore Avenue, Laurel, 20707. See email dated February 14, 2025, regarding notification that the establishment has been permanently closed on January 27, 2025, and wishes to allow the license to expire of its own accord.

Mr. Camacho moved to expire the license, second by Ms. Norman, and made unanimous by Mr. Camacho, Mr. Sparkman, Mr. Smith, and Oretha Bridgwaters-Simms.

In the matter of **t/a 505 Lounge**, 505 Hampton Park Blvd, Suite I & Suite J, Capitol Heights, 20743. See email dated February 21, 2025, regarding notification that the establishment will officially begin operations on March 30, 2025.

The Commissioners has noted that the establishment will officially begin operations on March 30, 2025.

In the matter of **t/a Cox's Liquors**, 7200 Martin Luther King Highway, Landover, 20785.  
See email dated February 19, 2025, regarding a request to change the hours of operation:

<b>Old Hours</b>		<b>New Hours</b>	
Monday	7:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Monday	6:30 AM - 11:30 PM
Tuesday	7:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Tuesday	6:30 AM - 11:30 PM
Wednesday	7:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Wednesday	6:30 AM - 11:30 PM
Thursday	7:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Thursday	6:30 AM - 11:30 PM
Friday	7:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Friday	6:30 AM - 11:30 PM
Saturday	7:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Saturday	6:30 AM - 11:30 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Sunday	8:00 AM - 11:30 PM

The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve the new hours of operation.

In the matter of **t/a JB Atlantic Restaurant & Grill**, 9624 Ft. Meade Road, Laurel, 20707. See letter dated February 21, 2025, regarding notification of the restaurant's closure to the public. This decision was prompted by a 60% rent increase imposed by the landlord. Additionally, the passing of their chief accountant and bookkeeper, Mr. Jack Gates, who passed away in November 2024. Mr. James Natty, the licensee, is seeking a temporary hold on his license to organize his records and address any uncertainties before finding a new location to move to. The licensee is actively seeking a new location and will provide an update to the Board upon securing a new location.  
The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve the temporary closure of the establishment so the licensee can seek a new location to transfer the license.

In the matter of **t/a House of Comedy and Jazz**, 9430 Annapolis Road, Lanham, 20706.  
See letter dated February 21, 2025, regarding a request to transfer 50% of Darnell Dinkins membership interest in the licensed entity to Tamara Ouckama.  
The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to deny the request.

In the matter of **t/a Dog Haus Biergarten**, 7401 Baltimore Avenue, Suite 1A, College Park, 20740. See letter dated February 22, 2025, regarding a request to downgrade their license from a Class B, BLX to a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor.  
The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to deny the request to downgrade their license from a Class B, BLX to a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor and the establishment can apply to compete for a new Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor.

In the matter of **t/a Alegria Food Court**, 1535 University Boulevard, East, Unit A1, Hyattsville, 20783. see letter dated February 27, 2025, regarding notification that the Purple Line construction has obstructed access to their business. As a result, the business will temporarily close operations from March 3, 2025, to June 29, 2025, expecting the intersection construction to be completed by then, improving customer access and allowing business to resume.  
The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve the temporary closure of the business from March 3, 2025, to June 29, 2025.

In the matter of **t/a Magdalena's Restaurant**, 6367 Livingston Road, Oxon Hill, 20745.  
See letter dated February 28, 2025, regarding a request to change the hours of operation:

<b>Old Hours</b>		<b>New Hours</b>	
Monday	11:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	11:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Tuesday	11:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Wednesday	11:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Wednesday	11:30 AM - 9:00 PM
Thursday	11:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Thursday	11:30 AM - 9:00 PM
Friday	11:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Friday	11:30 AM - 9:00 PM
Saturday	11:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Saturday	11:30 AM - 9:00 PM

Sunday      11:00 AM - 8:00 PM      Sunday      11:00 AM - 9:00 PM

The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve the new hours of operation.

In the matter of **t/a Taste of Lagos**, 9915 Lanham Severn Road, Lanham, 20706. See letter dated February 28, 2025, regarding notification that the establishment opening date will be between March 1, 2025 – March 9, 2025, due to several unforeseen delays that have impacted the ability to launch operations as planned.

The Commissioners has noted that the establishment's opening date will be between March 1, 2025 – March 9, 2025.

In the matter of **t/a Red Lobster Restaurant (Laurel)**, 14368 Baltimore Avenue, Laurel, 20707. See letter dated February 28, 2025, regarding notification that the establishment was permanently closed since 5/13/2024.

Mr. Camacho moved to expire the license, second by Ms. Norman, and made unanimous by Mr. Camacho, Mr. Sparkman, Mr. Smith, and Oretha Bridgwaters-Simms.

In the matter of **Renewal Protest Hearing**, see letter dated February 28, 2025, regarding a request from Your Capitol Heights Neighbors Community Group, to oppose the renewal of the alcoholic beverage liquor license of Southern Avenue Liquors, located at 4259 Southern Avenue, Capitol Heights, 20743.

The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to schedule a Renewal Protest Hearing.

In the matter of **t/a Brazas Tex-Mex Bar & Grill**, 6315-6317-6319 Old Branch Avenue, Temple Hills, 20748. See letter dated March 3, 2025, regarding a request to approve an additional three months to effectuate the license. The establishment is currently facing delays in obtaining its Use and Occupancy Permit, along with other necessary permits and licenses. (*1<sup>st</sup> request*)  
The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve an additional three months to effectuate the license.

In the matter of **t/a Trinity Grill**, 3010 Hamilton Street, Hyattsville, 20782. See Management Agreement date stamped March 5, 2025, regarding a request to approve the agreement between Trinity Grill and Café Tacuba.  
The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve the Management Agreement.

In the matter of **t/a Michael's Restaurant**, 14601 Main Street, Upper Marlboro, 20772. See letter dated March 6, 2025, regarding a request to approve an extension to October 21, 2025, to effectuate the license. The establishment is experiencing delays with DPIE and WSSC. (*2<sup>nd</sup> request*)

The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve the request for an extension to October 21, 2025, to effectuate the license.

In the matter of **t/a Hangar's Sports Bar and Lounge**, 6410 Old Branch Avenue, Camp Springs, 20748. See letter dated March 6, 2025, regarding a request to approve an extension through July 31, 2025, to effectuate the license. The establishment is experiencing delays with DPIE to obtain their Use & Occupancy Permit. (*1<sup>st</sup> Request*)  
The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve the request for the extension through July 31, 2025, to effectuate the license.

**Class A License Extension Request:**

- a. DRINX MARKET
- b. Earl's Super Liquors
- c. Kaywood Liquors
- d. La Licoreria Wine and Liquor
- e. Meads Liquors
- f. Top's Liquors
- g. Town Center Wine & Spirits

The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve the Class A Renewal Extension Requests.

**Repeal of Rules and Regulations**

- a. R.R. NO. 76(a) – Delivery Of Alcoholic Beverages during Covid-19 (Drinks To-Go)

Mr. Camacho moved to repeal R.R. NO. 76(a) – Delivery Of Alcoholic Beverages during Covid-19 (Drinks To-Go). Seconded by Ms. Norman, and made unanimous by Mr. Camacho, Ms. Norman, Mr. Sparkman, Mr. Smith, and Oretha Bridgwaters-Simms.

**Review of Rules and Regulations**

- a. R.R. No. 36 – Entertainment Permit Application Process

The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to move the approval to the next available hearing.

The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to accept the Monthly Reconciliation Report in February 2025.

The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve the minutes from Regular Session February 25, 2025, and Administrative Voting Session February 25, 2025.

**Scheduled Meetings:**

- a. March 25, 2025 @ 10am
- b. April 9, 2025 @ 7pm
- c. April 22, 2025 @ 10am
- d. May 7, 2025 @ 7pm
- e. May 27, 2025 @ 10am
- f. June 11, 2025 @ 7pm
- g. June 24, 2025 @ 10am