

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

November 17, 2015

Chairman Donovan Anderson Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Reeves Center 2000 14th Street NW Washington, DC 20009

RE: 1731 New Hampshire Avenue NW – "CS Bond St. AB-C Holdings, LLC" – ABRA #090805 – Application for a change of hours

Dear Chairman Anderson,

At its regular meeting on November 10, 2015, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 7 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (7-0-0):

Whereas on October 29, 2015, the Carlyle Hotel located at 1731 New Hampshire Avenue, NW, submitted a change of hours application to the Alcohol Beverage Regulations Administration (ABRA);

Whereas in a request submitted to ABRA on April 13, 2015, (CR. License Application No. #090805) the Carlyle Hotel requested increased indoor seating at the restaurant and bar;

Whereas in the April 2015 request, the Carlyle Hotel stated that "no 'passive recreation area' on the roof has been undertaken; we have not requested approval of a roof-top summer garden endorsement; and, no expansion in hours of service is being sought"; Whereas, the ABC Board determined that the Carlyle Hotel's request for increased indoor seating was not a substantial change;

Whereas, the neighborhood has experienced an increase of trash and noise issues as a result of the expanded indoor seating;

Whereas, extended indoor hours will exacerbate existing trash and noise issues and there is a legitimate neighborhood role in adjudicating this application;

Whereas, the current request of additional hours should be considered a substantial request and is in direct conflict to the statements made by the Carlyle Hotel in April;

Therefore; ANC2B requests that the ABC Board determine the Carlyle Hotel's expanded hours application be considered a substantial change to the existing license and require placarding and a protest period to allow neighborhood and resident input to the Board.

Due to his position on the ABC Board, Commissioner Silverstein did not participate in this discussion.

Commissioners Stephanie Maltz (<u>Stephanie.Maltz@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) and Noah Smith (<u>noah.smith@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Noah Smith Chairman

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