



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

December 15, 2015

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

RE: 1731 New Hampshire Ave NW – “CS Bond ST. AB-C Holdings., LLC” – ABRA 090805 – Application for a substantial change to the establishment’s Retailer’s Class “C” Hotel license

Dear Chairman Anderson,

At its regular meeting on December 9, 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 in service and entertainment endorsement application to the Alcohol Beverage Regulation 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, due to the expanded indoor restaurant seating and expanded hotel room capacity, the neighborhood has experienced an increase in trash, noise, truck deliveries, double-parking, inefficient valet parking services, and a decrease in parking spots available to residents;

Whereas, extended indoor hours will exacerbate existing trash and noise issues and there

is a legitimate neighborhood role in adjudicating this application;

Therefore, ANC2B protests the application for a substantial change in service hours and entertainment endorsement on the basis of peace, order and quiet, subject to the successful negotiation of a settlement agreement that alleviates the concerns of neighbors.

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

Commissioners Stephanie Maltz (2b03@anc.dc.gov) and Noah Smith (noah.smith@dupontcircleanc.net) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Noah Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Noah Smith
Chairman

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