

**April 13, 2022
9200 Basil Court
Largo, MD 20774
Virtual Hearing**

Present:

Armando Camacho, Vice Chairman
Tammie Norman, Commissioner
Tammy Sparkman, Commissioner
Terence Sheppard, Director
Robert Clark, Chief Liquor Inspector
Johnny Toles, Deputy Chief Liquor Inspector
Leonard Vauss, Administrative Assistant
Patricia Bell, Administrative Manager
Katrice James, Administrative Aide
Keyanna Little, Administrative Aide

Start Time: 7:15 p.m.

Commissioner Camacho: I'm going to go over a few house rules. We understand that we're in a network situation with connectivity issues, we ask that you mute your computers or cell phones until you're called. We operate under the Maryland Open Meetings Act, any transactions, all of our testimony, and discussions between Commissioners is done in the open and totally transparent. When we do call cases and we experience connectivity issues we will pause that case, exceed to the next case, and allow you to reestablish connectivity with us. Additionally, I'll explain the procedure, the Director will call the case, I'll swear in whoever is going to be testifying, after the testimony is taken, I'll ask for a motion, someone will second the motion and then we'll take a vote. We normally have five Commissioners, but our Chairwoman isn't with us today and Commissioner Smith had to tend to an emergency.

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.

REGULAR SESSION:

1. Anna Zheng, President/Secretary/Treasurer, Seafood Palace Buffett, Inc., **t/a New Rio Buffet and Bar**, 745 A Branch Ave. Temple Hills, MD 20748, Class B, Beer, Wine, and Liquor is summonsed to show cause for an alleged violation of 26-1903 A licensed holder may not provide entertainment unless authorized to do so, of the Alcoholic Beverage Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and R.R. No 37 (E) Change in mode of operation (Having entertainment without a permit), of the Rules and Regulations for Prince George's County. To wit: That on Friday, February 18, 2022, at approximately 9:35 p.m., Inspector Golato and Tredway entered the establishment for an entertainment inspection and noticed a DJ playing music with DJ equipment. At that time, the establishment did not possess an entertainment permit.
Represented by **Sharon Chu, Esquire.**
Inspector Treadway of the BOLC testifies about this incident.
Commissioner Norman makes a motion to fine the licensee for t/a New Rio Buffet and Bar in violation as charged with a fine of \$1,500, seconded by **Commissioner Sparkman.**
After Board vote, the motion carries.

2. Michele Tekam, Member, Spectrum Lounge College Park, LLC, **t/a Famous Lounge**, 5010 Brown Station Rd. Unit# 150 Upper Marlboro, MD 20772, Class B, Beer, Wine, and Liquor is summonsed to show cause for an alleged violation of R.R No.#7 Consumption of Bottled goods on licensed premises (Bottle Service) of the Rules and Regulations for Prince George's County, Maryland. To wit: On Saturday February 26, 2022, at approximately 7:00 pm, two undercover Prince George's County Liquor Inspectors entered the Famous Lounge, located at 5010 Brown Station Rd. Unit #150, Upper Marlboro MD 20772. Once inside, they observed a bottle of Grey Goose Vodka being delivered to one table and a bottle of Tito's Vodka being delivered to another table. Additionally, an entire bottle of Vodka was observed being poured into a glass bottle/craft and placed on the table.
Licensee does not have an attorney, acknowledge her right to an attorney, and agree to move forward without representation.
Inspector Caraway of the BOLC testifies about this incident.
Commissioner Norman makes a motion to fine the licensee for t/a Famous Lounge in violation as charged with a fine of \$1,500 and additional training, seconded by **Commissioner Sparkman.**
After Board vote, the motion carries.

3. **t/a Hyattsville Spirits & Grill – 2022-2023 Renewal Protest**
Licensee represented by **Robert Kim, Esquire.**
Ricker's Beer and Wine represented by **Linda Carter, Esquire.**
Mr. Kim presents his case.

Mr. Jim Chandler (Assistant City Administrator) testifies that the City of Hyattsville does not support the renewal of this application.

Commissioner Camacho: We're not going to take a vote tonight, there are only three of us present and the seriousness of this issue requires the full Board's attention. We will make our determination known by the next meeting April 26, 2022.

Adjourned: 9:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alecia L. Hughes
Administrative Aide BOLC