

August 6, 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
Dennis Smith, Commissioner
Jason Deloach, Esquire, Counsel
Terence Sheppard, Director
Alecia Hughes, Assistant to the Director
Robert Clark, Chief Liquor Inspector
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 Modern Liquors**, located at 2358 Iverson Street, Temple Hills, 20748. See letter dated July 23, 2025, regarding a request to change the hours of operation:

Old Hours		New Hours	
Monday	8:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Monday	7:00 AM - 11:00 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Tuesday	7:00 AM - 11:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Wednesday	7:00 AM - 11:00 PM
Thursday	8:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Thursday	7:00 AM - 11:00 PM
Friday	8:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Friday	7:00 AM - 11:00 PM
Saturday	8:00 AM - 11:00 PM	Saturday	7:00 AM - 11:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Sunday	8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

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

In the matter of **t/a Maxey Liquors**, located at 7513 Allentown Road, Fort Washington, 20744. See letter dated July 22, 2025, regarding a request to change the corporation name from Maxey Liquors, Inc. to Deep One, LLC.

The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to change the corporation name from Maxey Liquors, Inc. to Deep One, LLC.

In the matter of **t/a Pauls**, located at 513 Eastern Avenue, Fairmount Heights, 20743. See DSCO application date stamped July 23, 2025, regarding the death of a licensee, Xiao Hang Zhang.

The Commissioners approved the DSCO application by unanimous consent regarding the death of a licensee, Xiao Hang Zhang.

In the matter of **t/a Restaurant 55**, located at 5005 Jackson Street, Suite B, Hyattsville, 20781. Please review documents submitted to the Board for consideration of an inspection. Mr. Camacho determined that the materials provided are not sufficient to schedule an inspection of the restaurant at this time. Seconded by Ms. Norman, and made unanimous by Mr. Smith, and Oretha Bridgwaters-Simms.

In the matter of **t/a Tom's Watch Bar**, located at 200 American Way, National Harbor, 20745. See letter dated July 28, 2025, regarding the security interest agreement. The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve the security interest agreement.

In the matter of **t/a Ebony Inn**, located at 5367 Sheriff Road, Fairmont Heights, 20743. See letter dated July 30, 2025, regarding a request to have live entertainment at the establishment on Sundays and Mondays. The first proposed dates are Sunday, August 24, 2025, from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM, and Monday, September 8, 2025, from 10:00 PM to 1:00 AM. The purpose of adding live entertainment on these days is to enhance the atmosphere for our patrons, attract new customers, and generate increased revenue for the business. The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve live entertainment at the establishment on Sundays and Mondays.

In the matter of **t/a Ebony Inn**, located at 5367 Sheriff Road, Fairmont Heights, 20743. See letter dated July 30, 2025, regarding a request to expand the liquor license to include an adjacent room within the establishment. This additional space features a separate exterior entrance for convenient guest access. To ensure compliance with all applicable regulations, the room will be monitored by security to confirm that all patrons are at least 21 years of age and to prevent the removal of alcoholic beverages from the licensed area. All alcohol will remain within the newly designated space and will not be transported in or out during service. The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve expanding the liquor license to include an adjacent room within the establishment.

In the matter of **t/a Veterans Cigar Club and t/a Hideaway**, located at 6409 Old Alexandria Ferry Road, Clinton 20735, and 6421 Old Alexandria Ferry Road, Clinton 20735. See letter dated July 31, 2025, requesting an extension of license premises for their Community Day event on Friday, August 22, 2025. The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve the extension of license premises from the following licensees Community Day event on August 22, 2025, contingent upon review and approval by the Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement (DPIE).

In the matter of **t/a Restaurant 55**, located at 5005 Jackson Street, Suite B, Hyattsville, 20781. See email dated July 31, 2025, to request a temporary change in hours, due to the financial constraints of not having the ability to sell alcohol, and respectfully asks the Board to approve the following change in hours:

Old Hours		New Hours	
Monday	Closed	Monday	Closed
Tuesday	Closed	Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	6:00 PM - 2:00 AM	Wednesday	6:00 PM - 11:00 PM
Thursday	6:00 PM - 2:00 AM	Thursday	6:00 PM - 11:00 PM
Friday	6:00 PM - 3:00 AM	Friday	6:00 PM - 11:00 PM
Saturday	7:00 PM - 3:00 AM	Saturday	6:00 PM - 11:00 PM
Sunday	10:00 AM - 2:00 AM	Sunday	Closed

Mr. Camacho moved to deny the temporary change of hours due to the suspension of the license. Seconded by Ms. Norman, and made unanimous by Ms. Oretha Bridgwaters-Simms, and Mr. Smith abstained.

In the matter of **t/a The Palms Restaurant & Bar**, located at 7729 Finns Lane, Lanham, MD 20706. See email dated August 1, 2025, regarding a request to approve an additional thirty (30) days to complete the licensing process due to minor delays. All inspections and approvals have been completed, with the exception of the health department report sticker and the fire department report. The Board approved a final extension of 120 days on the April 9, 2025, hearing. The license must be placed into use by August 8, 2025. Failure to meet this deadline will result in the expiration of the application, and the applicant will be required to reapply. (5th request)

Mr. Camacho moved to approve an additional thirty (30) days to complete the licensing process due to minor delays. Seconded by Ms. Norman, and made unanimous by Mr. Smith, and Ms. Oretha Bridgwaters-Simms.

The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to approve the minutes from Regular Session July 22, 2025, and Administrative Voting Session July 22, 2025.

The Commissioners voted by unanimous consent to accept the Reconciliation Report for July 2025.

Scheduled Meetings:

- a. August 19, 2025 @ 10:00 AM
- b. September 3, 2025 @ 7:00 PM
- c. September 23, 2025 @ 10:00 AM
- d. October 8, 2025 @ 7:00 PM
- e. October 28, 2025 @ 10:00 AM