

August 6, 2025
9200 Basil Court
Largo, MD 20774
Virtual Hearing

Present:

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

Start Time: 7:15 p.m.

Commissioner Bridgwaters-Simms: At the Board of License Commissioners, we endeavor to be as efficient as possible in our virtual environment. Thank you for your patience. This is a public meeting subject to the Maryland Open Meetings Act so a truthful, transparent, open, and honest dialogue and record is required. As such, there are some formalities that will take place that may appear redundant but nonetheless are important and required to ensure compliance with the law.

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. **t/a Sabor Latino Restaurant**, Luis R. Villatoro, President /Secretary/Treasurer, Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Sabor Latino Restaurant, Inc., 2338 University Blvd., Hyattsville, 20783. Request for a Special Entertainment Permit. - Represented by **Robert Kim, Esquire.**

Corporal Hunt of the PGPD was unable to attend the hearing due to a scheduling conflict but sent a written report stating he met with the licensee and the security plan is adequate as proposed.

Mr. Kim stated that the application for the Special Entertainment Permit on June 24, 2025, and, based on Cpl. Hunt's report, is seeking approval for the permit.

Keyanna of the BOLC informs the Board that Special Entertainment needs to stop at 2 a.m. rather than 3 a.m. as written on the application.

Commissioner Camacho motions to amend the application to reflect that entertainment ends at 2 a.m. on Friday's and Saturday's, not 3 a.m., seconded by **Commissioner Norman.**

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Commissioner Camacho motions to grant the Special Entertainment Permit to t/a Sabor Latino Restaurant, seconded by **Commissioner Norman.**

After Board vote, the motion carries.

2. **t/a La Caverna Seafood Sport Bar & Grill**, Dinora Valladares, President, Jorge Menedez Colocho, Secretary, Class B(BLX), Beer, Wine and Liquor, JVER Group, LLC, 1500-B University Blvd. E, Hyattsville, 20783. Request for a Special Entertainment Permit.

Licensees do not have an attorney, acknowledge their right to an attorney and agree to move forward without an attorney.

Corporal Hunt of the PGPD was unable to attend the hearing due to a scheduling conflict but sent a report stating that the security plan is adequate as proposed.

Mr. Colocho is requesting a Special Entertainment Permit to play music in the restaurant.

Commissioner Camacho motions to amend the application for hours of operation to reflect entertainment until 2 a.m., not 3 a.m., seconded by **Commissioner Norman.**

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Commissioner Camacho motions to grant the Special Entertainment Permit to t/a La Caverna Sport Bar & Grill, seconded by **Commissioner Norman.**

After Board vote, the motion carries.

3. **t/a Marley's Bar & Grill**, Brandon Austin, Board Manager, Class B(DD), Beer, Wine and Liquor, Marley's Bar & Grill Inc., 6450 American BLVD, Hyattsville, 20782. Request for a Special Entertainment Permit.

Licensee does not have an attorney, acknowledges his right to an attorney and agrees to move forward without an attorney.

Corporal Hunt of the PGPD was unable to attend the hearing due to a scheduling conflict but sent a report stating that the security plan is adequate as proposed.

Mr. Austin is requesting a Special Entertainment Permit to play music in the restaurant and have live DJ's. The restaurant will close at 2:00 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, 9:00 p.m. on Sundays and 11:00 p.m. on Mondays through Thursdays.

Commissioner Camacho motions to grant the Special Entertainment Permit to t/a Marley's Bar & Grill, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Adjourned: 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ariana Posada-Mejia
Administrative Aide BOLC