



HEARING NOTES

Bill: 21-0014R

Approval for the Exchange of a Class B-D-7 License to a Class A-7 License –
2733 Pennsylvania Avenue

Committee: Economic and Community Development

Chaired By: Councilwoman Sharon Green Middleton

Hearing Date: March 9, 2021

Time (Beginning): 2:15 PM

Time (Ending): 2:22 PM

Location: Virtual WEBEX

Total Attendance: 20

Committee Members in Attendance:

John Bullock Mark Conway Ryan Dorsey Antonio Glover Robert Stokes Odette Ramos

Bill Synopsis in the file? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Attendance sheet in the file? [] yes [] no [X] n/a
Agency reports read? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Video or audio-digitally recorded? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? [] yes [] no [X] n/a
Evidence of notification to property owners? [] yes [] no [X] n/a
Final vote taken at this hearing? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Motioned by: Councilmember Robert Stokes
Seconded by: Councilmember Mark Conway
Final Vote: Favorable

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Councilmember James Torrence
Mr. Nicholas Blendy, Board of Liquor License Commissioners

- Ms. Elena DiPietro, Department of Law
- Mr. D’Paul Nibber, Health Department
- Mr. Liam Davis, Department of Transportation
- Ms. Mara James, Department of Finance
- Ms. Michelle Wirzberger, Baltimore Police Department

Major Issues Discussed

1. Councilwoman Middleton opened the meeting, introduced committee members and City representatives. She read the bill into the record.
2. Councilmember James Torrence, sponsor, explained the purpose of the bill.
3. Mr. Nicholas Blendy provided general information about the change in State law that created Class A-7 liquor licenses, which will allow businesses to open from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 midnight 7 days/week. There are, however, certain districts in Baltimore City that may have different, more restrictive hours of operation as required by the State. He testified in support of his agency’s report.
4. Representatives from other City agencies confirmed recommendations specified in their agencies’ written reports.
5. The committee voted to recommend the bill favorably.
6. The hearing was adjourned.

Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes No

If yes, describe.

Committee Vote:

Sharon Green Middleton, Chair Yea
 John Bullock: Yea
 Mark Conway: Yea
 Ryan Dorsey: Yea
 Antonio Glover: Yea
 Robert Stokes: Yea
 Odette Ramos: Yea

Jennifer L. Coates, Committee Staff

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