

# Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B Government of the District of Columbia 7720 Alaska Avenue NW – Room 106 Washington, DC 20012

## **RESOLUTION #4B-19-0106**

Recommendations to the Board of Zoning Adjustment Regarding BZA 12799, Modification to the Conditions of the Original Order for the VIP Room at 6201 3rd Street NW Proposed for Adoption January 28, 2019

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B (the Commission) takes note of the following:

- The Commission voted in support of the VIP Room to have a Class C Tavern liquor license on May 22, 2017
- The VIP Room has requested a modification of the conditions of the original order that would remove the statement, "There shall be no alcoholic beverages sold on the premises"
- Removal of the above statement would enable to VIP Room to have a "cash bar" at events such as wedding receptions and anniversary parties at the request of clients
- At least 10 residents in properties adjacent to the VIP Room have submitted letters of opposition to BZA and copied the 4B Commissioners expressing concerns that the VIP Room would then be allowed to operate as a bar or nightclub and not an event hall as originally intended
- In July 2014 the VIP Room willfully entered into a Settlement Agreement that is no longer in effect but specifically stated, "The applicant shall not operate the establishment in a manner customarily associated with a Bar and shall only be open for business when an event is scheduled"
- The Commission is relying on the applicant's assurance that they will not operate as a bar or tavern and Commission's support is conditioned on the VIP Room not operating as a bar, tavern, or nightclub

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 The Commission is scheduled to weigh in again on the VIP Room's Class C Tavern liquor license in September 2019

### **RESOLVED:**

That due to the Commission relying on the applicant's assurance that they will not operate as a bar or tavern, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B supports the application for the modification to the conditions of the original order for the VIP Room at 6201 3rd Street NW and recommends that it be approved.

#### **FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That Commissioner Scot Knickerbocker, ANC 4B03, is hereby authorized to serve as the Commission's representative in all matters relating to this resolution.

#### **FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That, in the designated representative Commissioner cannot carry out his representative duties for any reason, the Commission authorizes the Chairperson to designate another Commissioner to represent the Commission in all matters relating to this resolution.

#### **FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That consistent with DC Code §1-309, only actions of the full Commission voting in a properly noticed public meeting have standing and carry great weight. The actions, positions and opinions of individual commissioners, insofar as they may be contradictory to or otherwise inconsistent with the expressed position of the full Commission in a properly adopted resolution or letter, have no standing and cannot be considered as in any way associated with the Commission.

**ADOPTED** by roll call vote at a regular public meeting (notice of which was properly given, and at which a quorum of eight of eight members was present) on January 28, 2019, by a vote of eight yes, zero no.