

IN THE MATTER OF THE	*	BEFORE THE ALCOHOLIC
APPLICATION OF ROHIT CHAWLA	*	
ON BEHALF OF SYNERGYCO, LLC.	*	BEVERAGE HEARING BOARD
T/A MANGO GROVE & MIRCHI WOK	*	
FOR A RESIDENT AGENT CHANGE	*	FOR HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND
ON A CLASS B BEER, WINE &	*	
LIQUOR 7-DAY ON SALE LICENSE	*	Case No.: 21-18

DECISION AND ORDER

The Board of License Commissioners for Howard County, Maryland (the “Liquor Board”), pursuant to Rule 1.02(A) of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations, has delegated the authority to hear and decide cases to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board for Howard County, Maryland (the “Hearing Board”).

On April 27, 2021, the Hearing Board heard the application of Rohit Chawla (the “Applicant”) on behalf of Synergyco, LLC t/a Mango Grove & Mirchi Wok (“Mango Grove & Mirchi Wok”) for a resident agent change replacing Abraham Joshua on a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor 7-day on sale license for a 3,960 square-foot restaurant located at 8865 Stanford Blvd., Suite 107, Columbia, MD 21045.

The hearing was properly advertised, and the property posted pursuant to the Alcoholic Beverages Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The Applicant was represented by counsel, Christopher S. Young, Esq., and there were no protestants who appeared in opposition to the application.

All the documents on file were incorporated into the record by reference.

The Applicant waived his right to appeal.

SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

Rohit Chawla, proposed resident agent and current licensee for Mango Grove & Mirchi

Wok, was sworn and testified before the Board.

Mr. Chawla testified that he has been associated with Mango Grove & Mirchi Wok since 2003 and at the current location since 2011. Mr. Chawla testified that he has been a licensee since 2011 and that they have never had a liquor board violation.

Mr. Chawla testified that the restaurant was closed due to a gas explosion in August of 2019 and remained closed due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Mr. Chawla testified that they have recently reopened after 18 months of carry out and delivery only. Mr. Chawla testified that since the two events, Mr. Joshua is no longer interested in staying on as the resident agent.

Mr. Chawla testified that he manages the restaurant full-time and is onsite seven days a week.

Mr. Chawla testified that he has a degree in hotel management from India as well as a bachelor's degree and training from the Culinary Institute of America. Mr. Chawla testified that he has been in the restaurant and hotel business since 1991, is alcohol awareness certified, has lived in Howard County since 2003 and is a registered voter.

Mr. Chawla testified that the restaurant is not currently fully staffed since they are not offering full service but, he has plans to rehire previous, fully-trained staff members when they re-open. Mr. Chawla testified that he is alcohol awareness certified and that all managers will also be certified, and he plans to continue the restaurant policy of carding anyone who orders alcohol. Mr. Chawla testified that he has read, reviewed and understands the Board's Rules and Regulations.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Hearing Board finds that Rohit Chawla, on behalf of Synergyco, LLC t/a Mango Grove & Mirchi Wok, has applied for a resident agent change replacing Abraham Joshua

on a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor 7-day on sale license for a 3,960 square-foot restaurant located at 8865 Stanford Blvd., Suite 107, Columbia, MD 21045.

2. The Hearing Board finds that the Applicant is a fit and proper person to serve as a resident agent on an alcoholic beverage license.

3. The Hearing Board finds that Rohit Chawla meets the requirements of Rules 1.10(S), 1.10(T), and 2.06 of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations concerning resident agent qualifications.

4. The Hearing Board finds that the granting of the application is necessary for the accommodation of the public.

5. The Hearing Board finds that the granting of the application will not unduly disturb the peace and safety of the residents of the neighborhood.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Hearing Board concludes that Rohit Chawla, on behalf of Synergyco, LLC t/a Mango Grove & Mirchi Wok, has applied for a resident agent change replacing Abraham Joshua on a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor 7-day on sale license for a 3,960 square-foot restaurant located at 8865 Stanford Blvd., Suite 107, Columbia, MD 21045.

2. The Hearing Board concludes that the Applicant is a fit and proper person to serve as a resident agent on an alcoholic beverage license.

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4. The Hearing Board concludes that the granting of the application is necessary for the accommodation of the public.

5. The Hearing Board concludes that the granting of this application would not unduly disturb the peace and safety of the neighborhood.

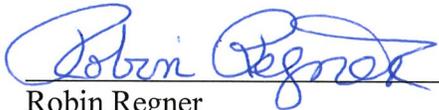
ORDER

For the foregoing reasons, it is this 17 day of June, 2021, by the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board of Howard County, **ORDERED** that the application of Rohit Chawla, on behalf of Synergyco, LLC t/a Mango Grove & Mirchi Wok, for a resident agent change replacing Abraham Joshua on a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor 7-day on sale license for a 3,960 square-foot restaurant located at 8865 Stanford Blvd., Suite 107, Columbia, MD 21045, be and the same is hereby **GRANTED**, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) That the Applicant complies with all State and County Rules; and Regulations; and
- (b) That the Applicant satisfy any requirements necessary to obtain the license by September 15, 2021, unless that deadline is extended by the Board upon good cause shown; and
- (c) Failure to comply with these conditions shall render this Proposed Decision and Order null and void.

ATTEST:

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE HEARING
BOARD OF HOWARD COUNTY,
MARYLAND**



Robin Regner
Board Administrator



Mary Bird, Chairperson



Harry Evans, Vice-Chairperson

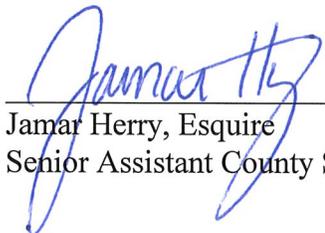
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ABSENT

Claire Kim, Member