

MINUTES

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE HEARING BOARD

May 12, 2026

Board Members Present:

Steven Chen, Chair
Ed Coleman
Beth Johnson
Claire Kim

Staff:

Kel Berg, Board Administrator
Jae Shin, Board Counsel
Kiasten Miller, Administrative Assistant

Call to order at 6:32 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the hearing minutes of March 24, 2026.

Motion – Beth Johnson 2nd – Steven Chen
vote 4-0 *The motion passed.*

CHANGE OF RESIDENT AGENT CLASS D BEER, WINE & LIQUOR 7-DAY ON SALE LICENSE

From: Nottingham's, LLC t/a Nottingham's in the name of Brian Kannee for a 7,826 sq. ft. tavern with a 1,600 sq. ft. patio located at 8850 Stanford Boulevard, Columbia, MD 21045.

To: Nottingham's, LLC t/a Nottingham's in the name of Robert Jirak for a 7,826 sq. ft. tavern with a 1,600 sq. ft. patio located at 8850 Stanford Boulevard, Columbia, MD 21045.

Counsel: n/a
No opposition

Witnesses:
Robert Jirak

Motion to approve the application.
Motion – Steven Chen, 2nd – Ed Coleman
vote 4-0
The motion passed.

The applicant waived his right to appeal.

NEW
CLASS D BEER, WINE & LIQUOR
7-DAY ON SALE LICENSE

To: Bandh Darwaza, LLC t/a Bandh Darwaza in the names of Venkata Krishna Kukatla, Jay Parimal Gandhi and Mukesh Bhikhubhai Panchal for a 1,463 sq. ft. tavern located at 6000 Merriweather Drive, Suite B-135, Columbia, MD 21044.

Consultant: Martin Johnson
No opposition

Witnesses:
Venkata Krishna Kukatla
Jay Parimal Gandhi

Motion to approve the application.
Motion – Steven Chen, 2nd – Ed Coleman
vote 4-0
The motion passed.

The applicants waived their right to appeal.

NEW
CLASS B BEER, WINE & LIQUOR
7-DAY ON/OFF SALE LICENSE

To: VESPEREC, LLC t/a Vesper in the name of David Upton Carney for an 1,895 sq. ft. restaurant with a 624 sq. ft. patio located at 8210 Main Street, Ellicott City, MD 21043.

Consultant: Martin Johnson
No opposition

Witnesses:
David Upton Carney
Heather Gaetano
Matt Fleming

Motion to approve the application.
Motion – Beth Johnson, 2nd – Ed Coleman
vote 4-0
The motion passed.

The applicant waived his right to appeal.

NEW
CLASS B BEER, WINE & LIQUOR
7-DAY ON/OFF SALE LICENSE + WINE CORKAGE PERMIT

To: JCS Food Group, LLC t/a Ironwood Kitchen in the names of George Louis Strott and Alan Donald Strott for a 2,240 sq. ft. restaurant with a 760 sq. ft. patio located at 13380 Clarksville Pike, Highland, MD 20777.

Consultant: Martin Johnson
No opposition

Witnesses:
George Louis Strott
Alan Donald Strott

Motion to approve the application.
Motion – Steven Chen, 2nd – Ed Coleman
vote 4-0
The motion passed.

The applicants waived their right to appeal.

The Board adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Approved: Hel Berg 6/9/2026

