

IN THE MATTER OF THE	*	BEFORE THE ALCOHOLIC
APPLICATION OF XIANGMU	*	BEVERAGE HEARING BOARD
ZHANG AND DANDAN QIU ON	*	FOR
BEHALF OF SUSHI QQQQQQ	*	HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND
T/A SUSHI Q6 FOR A NEW CLASS	*	
B BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR 7-DAY	*	
ON SALE LICENSE	*	Case No.: 20-36

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 November 24, 2020, the Hearing Board heard the application of Xiangmu Zhang and DanDan Qiu (“Applicants”) on behalf of Sushi QQQQQQ, t/a Sushi Q6 (“Sushi Q6”), for a new Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor, 7-day on-sale license for a 2,506 square foot restaurant located at 8450 Baltimore National Pike, Suite 135, Ellicott City, MD 21043.

The hearing was properly advertised, and the property was posted pursuant to the Alcoholic Beverages Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The Applicants were represented by David Mister, Esq. There were no protestants in opposition to the application.

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

SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

DanDan Qiu, was sworn and testified that this will be the second restaurant in Howard County that she will run with her husband, Xiangmu Zhang; the other being Sushi

Q7. Ms. Qiu stated that she and her husband were approved as licensees for Sushi Q7 last year by this Board and that they have not had any alcohol violations at that location. Ms. Qiu testified that the menu and presentation at Sushi Q6 will be similar to Sushi Q7.

Ms. Qiu testified that Sushi Q6 will have seating for eighty customers and they expect to have approximately 10 employees. Ms. Qiu testified that both she and her husband will manage both restaurants and are already alcohol awareness certified. Ms. Qiu also stated that all servers at the restaurant will be alcohol awareness certified as well. Ms. Qiu testified that she and her husband are familiar with the Board's Rules and Regulations and will continue to be vigilant with ID checking.

Ms. Qiu testified that alcohol service is needed to accommodate the customers who come to the restaurant. Ms. Qiu testified that the restaurant has adequate parking and traffic control devices per Howard County Regulations and there will be no negative impact on the community.

The following exhibits were admitted into the record:

1. Menu for Sushi Q6
2. Floor Plan

Pursuant to Rule 6.13 of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations, the Applicants waived their right to request the Liquor Board to hear the case.

Based on the evidence presented at the hearing, the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Hearing Board finds that Xiangmu Zhang and DanDan Qiu on behalf of Sushi QQQQQQ, t/a Sushi Q6 have applied for a new Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor, 7-day on-sale license for a 2,506 square foot restaurant located at 8450 Baltimore National

Pike, Suite 135, Ellicott City, MD 21043.

2. The Hearing Board finds that the Applicants are fit and proper persons to hold an alcoholic beverage license.

3. The Hearing Board finds that Xiangmu Zhang is a Howard County resident and holds a 20% interest in Sushi Q6.

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 this application will not unduly disturb the peace and safety of the residents of the neighborhood.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Hearing Board concludes that Xiangmu Zhang and DanDan Qiu on behalf of Sushi QQQQQQ, t/a Sushi Q6 have applied for a new Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor, 7-day on-sale license for a 2,506 square foot restaurant located at 8450 Baltimore National Pike, Suite 135, Ellicott City,

2. The Hearing Board concludes that the Applicants are fit and proper persons to hold 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 25 day of Feb, 2021, by the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board of Howard County, **ORDERED**, that the application of Xiangmu Zhang and DanDan Qiu on behalf of Sushi QQQQQQ, t/a Sushi Q6 for a new Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor, 7-day on-sale license for a 2,506 square foot restaurant located at 8450 Baltimore National Pike, Suite 135, Ellicott City, be and the same is hereby **GRANTED**, subject to the following conditions:

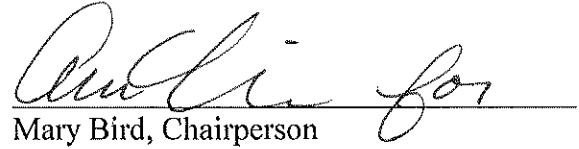
- (a) That the Applicants comply with all State and County laws and regulations;
- (b) That the Applicants satisfy any requirements necessary to obtain the license by May 19, 2021, unless that deadline is extended by the Board upon good cause shown; and
- (c) Failure to comply with these conditions shall render this Proposed Decision and Order null and void.

ATTEST:

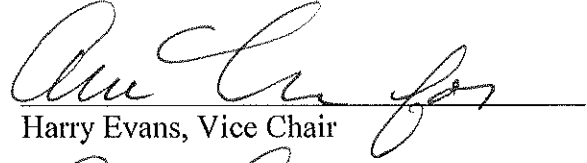
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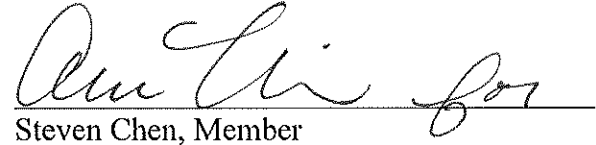
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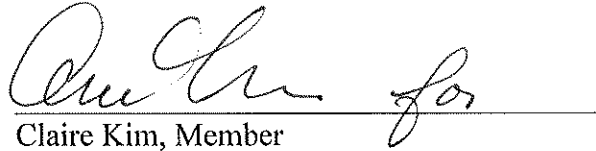
Harry Evans, Vice Chair



Charley Sung, Member

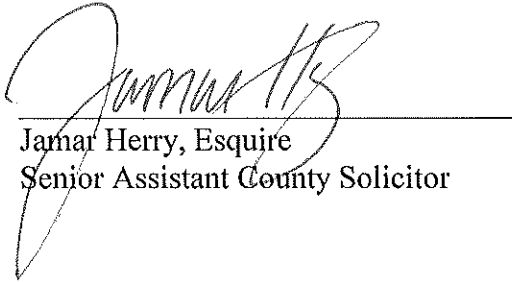


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