

IN THE MATTER OF THE	*	BEFORE THE ALCOHOLIC
APPLICATION OF SELINA C. LIEU	*	
AND FUNG SIM CHEUNG ON BEHALF	*	BEVERAGE HEARING BOARD
OF PROSPERITY RESTAURANT, INC.,	*	
t/a PAPER LANTERN RESTAURANT,	*	FOR
FOR A CLASS B-SBW BEER, WINE	*	
AND LIQUOR 7-DAY ON-SALE	*	HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND
LICENSE	*	
	*	Case No. 15-33
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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 July 21, 2015, the Hearing Board heard the application of Selina C. Lieu and Fung Sim Cheung ("Applicants"), on behalf of Prosperity Restaurant, Inc., t/a Paper Lantern Restaurant ("Prosperity Restaurant, Inc."), for a new Class B-SBW Beer, Wine, and Liquor 7-day on-sale license for a 2,250 square foot restaurant located at 2020 Marriottsville Road, Suite G, Woodstock, Maryland 21104. The hearing was properly advertised pursuant to Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The Applicants were not represented by an attorney. There were no protestants who appeared in opposition to the application.

All the documents on file were incorporated into the record by reference. These include the following: a letter dated March 10, 2015, from the Applicants attaching the application; a copy of the background investigation questionnaires for the Applicants; copies of the Certificate of Naturalization for the Applicants; a copy of the floor plan; a copy of the Corporate Charter Approval Sheet for Prosperity Restaurant, Inc.; a copy of the Articles of Incorporation of Prosperity Restaurant, Inc.; a copy of the list of Officers and 5% owners of Prosperity Restaurant, Inc.; a memorandum dated June 12, 2015, from the Liquor Board to the Alcoholic Beverage Inspector, the Department of Inspections, Licenses, and Permits, the Bureau of Environmental Health, and the Department of Planning and Zoning; the

background investigations of the Applicants by the Alcoholic Beverage Inspector dated July 15, 2015; an email dated June 17, 2015, from the Department of Inspections, Licenses, and Permits; a memorandum dated July 15, 2015, from the Department of Planning and Zoning; an email dated June 17, 2015, from the Department of Inspections, Licensees and Permits; a memorandum dated June 24, 2015, from Environmental Health; a letter dated June 9, 2015, to the Department of Finance; a letter dated June 15, 2015, from the Department of Finance; a letter dated June 9, 2015, to the Comptroller of Maryland; a letter dated June 17, 2015, from the Comptroller of Maryland; an fax to the Applicants enclosing a letter dated June 12, 2015, with notification of the hearing date and the necessity to advertise; and an email dated July 5, 2015, from the Alcoholic Beverage Inspector stating the premises had been posted.

SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

Selina C. Lieu, President and 30.16% shareholder of Prosperity Restaurant, Inc., t/a Paper Lantern Restaurant, was sworn and testified that she has been a resident of Howard County for 21 years, is a registered voter, and is alcohol awareness certified. Ms. Lieu testified that Paper Lantern is a family owned Asian restaurant that will serve sushi. Ms. Lieu testified that they will have 80 seats for customers, and will have four employees, including her. Ms. Lieu testified that all employees are alcohol awareness certified. Ms. Lieu testified that she and her brother will manage the business; her mother will manage the kitchen and act as the master chef. The hours of operation will be Monday through Thursday, 11:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M., Friday and Saturday, 11:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M., and Sunday, 12:00 P.M. through 10:00 P.M.

Ms. Lieu testified that she purchased the property and has overseen the project from the beginning, including the application for the liquor license. Ms. Lieu testified that she has never held a liquor license. She described her experience in the restaurant business.

Ms. Lieu testified that she feels that alcoholic beverages would complement the Asian cuisine.

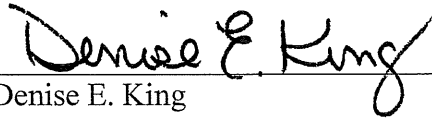
The following Exhibit was entered into the record:

Exhibit #1 – (4) certificates for completion of an alcohol awareness course (Selina C. Lieu, Shun K. Cheung, Cui Ling Fang, and Joan C. Fang)

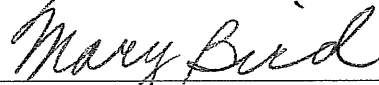
Pursuant to Rule 6.13 of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations, the Applicants waived the right to request the Liquor Board to hear the case.

ATTEST:

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE HEARING
BOARD OF HOWARD COUNTY,
MARYLAND



Denise E. King
Administrator

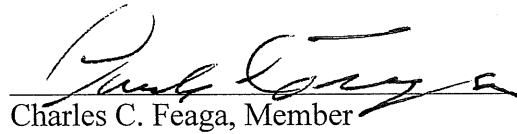


Mary Bird, Chairperson

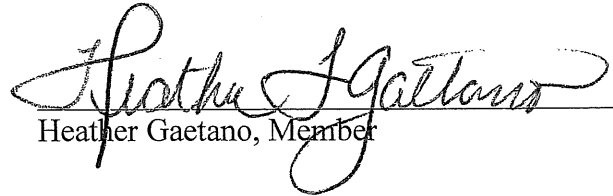
ABSENT

Harry Evans, III, Vice-Chairperson

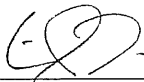
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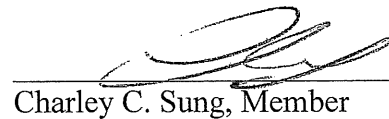
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