

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE REGULATION ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Posting Date: January 15, 2010
Petition Date: March 1, 2010
Hearing Date: March 15, 2010

License No.: ABRA-083660
Licensee: The Alami's, Inc
Trade Name: Souk
License Class: Retail Class "C" Restaurant
Address: 1208 H Street, N.E.
Contact: Alami Abderrahim, 202-658-4224

WARD 6 ANC 6A SMD 6A01

Notice is hereby given that this applicant has applied for a license under the D.C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act and that the objectors are entitled to be heard before the granting of such license on the hearing date at 10:00 am, 2nd Floor, Suite 2000, 1250 U Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009. Petition and/or request to appear before the Board must be filed on or before the petition date.

NATURE OF OPERATION

New Mediterranean restaurant with no entertainment. Number of seats is 50, total occupancy load is 50.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Sunday through Saturday 11:30 am - 3 am

HOURS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES SALES/SERVICE AND CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Sunday through Thursday 11:30 am - 2 am and Friday & Saturday 11:30 am - 2:30 am

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License No.: ABRA-074175
Licensee: LSS, LLC
Trade Name: Ulah Bistro
License Class: Retail Class "C" Restaurant
Address: 1214 U Street, N.W.
Contact: Med Lahlou, 202-234-0123

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ANC 1B

SMD 1B02

Notice is hereby given for this licensee who has applied for a substantial change to his license under the D.C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act and for objectors who are entitled to be heard before the granting of such on the hearing date at 10:00 am, 2nd Floor, Suite 2000, 1250 U Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20009. A petition or request to appear before the Board must be filed on or before the petition date.

Licensee requests the following substantial change to its nature of operation:

LICENSEE REQUEST NEW ENTERTAINMENT ENDORSEMENT TO INCLUDE DJ
AND JAZZ BAND

PROPOSED HOURS OF ENTERTAINMENT

Sunday through Thursday 9 pm – 1:30 am and Friday & Saturday 9 pm – 2:30 am

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License No.: ABRA-083576
Licensee: You Eighteen, LLC
Trade Name: Virginia Market
License Class: Retail Class "A"
Address: 1776 U Street, N.W.
Contact: Kevin Lee, 703-941-3133

WARD 2 ANC 2B SMD 2B08

Notice is hereby given that this licensee has applied for a substantial change to his license under the D.C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act and that the objectors are entitled to be heard before the granting of such on the hearing date at 10:00 am, 2nd Floor, Suite 2000, 1250 U Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20009. Petition and/or request to appear before the Board must be filed on or before the petition date.

Licensee requests the following substantial change to its nature of operations:

LICENSEE REQUESTS TO CHANGE CLASS B LICENSE TO CLASS A LICENSE

HOURS OF OPERATION

Sunday Closed and Monday through Saturday 9 am – 10 pm

HOURS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SALES

Sunday Closed and Monday through Saturday 9 am – 10 pm

BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND ETHICS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
RECEIPT AND INTENT TO REVIEW REFERENDUM MEASURE

The Board of Elections and Ethics shall consider in a public hearing whether the proposed measure "Referendum on the Religious Freedom and Civil Marriage Equality Amendment Act of 2009" is a proper subject matter for referendum, at the Special Board Meeting on Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 10:30am., One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 220S, Washington DC.

The Board requests that written memoranda be submitted for the record no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, January 22, 2010 to the Board of Elections and Ethics, General Counsel's Office, One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 270, Washington, D.C. 20001.

Each individual or representative of an organization who wishes to present testimony at the public hearing is requested to furnish his or her name, address, telephone number and name of the organization represented (if any) by calling the General Counsel's office at 727-2194 no later than January 22, 2010.

The Short Title, Summary Statement and Legislative Text of the proposed initiative read as follows:

Short Title

"Referendum on the Religious Freedom and Civil Marriage Equality Amendment Act of 2009"

Summary Statement

This referendum asks the voters to approve or reject the "Religious Freedom and Civil Marriage Equality Amendment Act of 2009." The Act would redefine marriage resulting in persons of the same sex being permitted to be marry in the District of Columbia, and would both provide and deny protections to religious groups, individuals and organizations concerning their beliefs and teachings about marriage.

Legislative Text

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Religious Freedom and Civil Marriage Equality Amendment Act of 17 2009".

Sec. 2. Chapter Forty-Three of An Act To establish a code of law for the District of Columbia, approved March 3, 1901 (31 Stat. 1391; D.C. Official Code § 46-401 *passim*), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 1283 (D.C. Official Code § 46-401) is redesignated as section 1283a.

(b) A new section 1283 is added to read as follows:

“Sec. 1283. EQUAL ACCESS TO MARRIAGE. –

“(a) Marriage is the legally recognized union of 2 persons. Any person may enter into a marriage in the District of Columbia with another person, regardless of gender, unless the marriage is expressly prohibited by section 1283a or section 1285.

“(b) Where necessary to implement the rights and responsibilities relating to the marital relationship or familial relationships, gender-specific terms shall be construed to be gender neutral for all purposes throughout the law, whether in the context of statute, administrative or court rule, policy, common law, or any other source of civil law.”.

(c) Section 1287a (D.C. Official Code § 46-405.01) is amended by striking the phrase “sections 1283” and inserting the phrase “sections 1283a” in its place.

(d) Section 1288 (D.C. Official Code § 46-406) is amended by adding new subsections (c), (d), and (e) to read as follows:

“(c) No priest, imam, rabbi, minister, or other official of any religious society who is authorized to solemnize or celebrate marriages shall be required to solemnize or celebrate any marriage.

“(d) Each religious society has exclusive control over its own theological doctrine, teachings, and beliefs regarding who may marry within that particular religious society’s faith.

“(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a religious society, or a nonprofit organization that is operated, supervised, or controlled by or in conjunction with a religious society, shall not be required to provide services, accommodations, facilities, or goods for a purpose related to the solemnization or celebration of a marriage, or the promotion of marriage through religious programs, counseling, courses, or retreats, that is in violation of the religious society’s beliefs. A refusal to provide services, accommodations, facilities, or goods in accordance with this subsection shall not create any civil claim or cause of action, or result in a District action to penalize or withhold benefits from the religious society or nonprofit organization that is operated, supervised, or controlled by or in conjunction with a religious society.”.

Sec. 3. Section 3 of the Health Care Benefits Expansion Act of 1992, effective June 11, 1992 (D.C. Law 9-114; D.C. Official Code § 32-702), is amended as follows:

(a) Subsection (d)(3) is amended to read as follows:

“(3) A domestic partnership shall terminate by operation of law if the domestic partners marry each other.”.

(b) Subsection (e)(3) is amended by striking the word “marriage” and inserting the phrase “certification of marriage” in its place.

(c) A new subsection (j) is added to read as follows:

“(j)(1) Two persons in a valid domestic partnership pursuant to this act may apply for and receive a marriage license in accordance with Chapter Forty-Three of An Act To establish a code of law for the District of Columbia, approved March 3, 1901 (31 Stat. 1391; D.C. Official Code § 46-401 *passim*).

“(2) Two persons who are in a domestic partnership and have registered their domestic partnership pursuant to this section shall not be charged a marriage license fee.”.

Sec. 4. Section 16-903 of the District of Columbia Official Code is amended by striking the phrase “46-401” and inserting the phrase “46-401.01” in its place.

Sec. 5. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code ' 1-206.02(c)(3)).

Sec. 6. Effective date.

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code ' 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.