



Alcoholic Beverage Control

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NORTH CAROLINA ABC COMMISSION HOLDS REGULAR MEETING

RALEIGH – The North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Commission held its regular monthly meeting by conference call on Wednesday, December 14, 2022.

Chairman Bauer, Commissioner Stout, and Commissioner Mitchell wished everyone a Happy Holiday season with their friends and family.

Chairman Bauer also shared that this was Commissioner Karen Stout's last meeting serving as Commissioner. Both he and Commissioner Mitchell thanked Commissioner Stout for more than seven years of service to the NC ABC system, for her leadership throughout the pandemic, for her expertise and guidance, and her friendship. She will be greatly missed.

Commissioner Stout shared her optimism for continued growth and sees many positive opportunities ahead for the NC ABC system. She thanked Chairman Bauer, Commissioner Mitchell, Commission staff, the local ABC boards, and all other stakeholders in the ABC system for their contributions and support.

The Commission ratified 69 hearing cases that resulted in penalties in excess of \$82,800 and/or imposition of suspensions of permits for three days or more. Fines are due on or before January 6, 2023, and suspensions begin January 13, 2023.

The Commission approved an exemption request pursuant to [§18B-1116\(b\)](#) for Laughing Waters, LLC and Nocturnal Brewing Company, LLC.

The Commission approved an exemption request pursuant to [§18B-1116\(b\)](#) for Jonathan Seelbinder; Oak City Market, LLC; Little City Tavern, LLC; East Hargett Entertainment, LLC; and 1255LIH, LLC.

The Commission approved a proposed ABC store location at 106 Bantiff Way, Greensboro, as requested by the Greensboro ABC Board.

The Commission approved a proposed ABC store location at 437 Atwater Lane, Denver, as requested by the Lincoln County ABC Board. This store will replace the current Lincoln County ABC store located at 7531 Waterside Crossing Boulevard in Denver.

The Commission approved a proposed ABC store location at 2715 West NC 24 Highway, Warsaw, as requested by the Warsaw ABC Board.

The Commission approved a six-month extension of the Memorandum of Understanding for the Receipt, Storage, and Transport of Alcoholic Beverages at the RDU Airport.

The Commission approved a 0.6% increase in the per load price of the contract for the Receipt, Storage, and Distribution of Spirituous Liquor for FY2022 as part of its annual review. This is based on the vendor (LB&B Associates) meeting key performance indicators for cost metrics, fill rates, and safety performance.

The Commission also confirmed the next monthly meeting will be held in person at the NC ABC Commission (400 E Tryon Road, Raleigh, NC 27610) on Wednesday, January 11, 2023.

ABOUT THE NC ABC COMMISSION

North Carolina is one of 17 states to regulate alcohol through a control system. Since 1937, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission has provided regulation and control over the sale, purchase, transportation, manufacture, consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages in the state of North Carolina. <http://abc.nc.gov>.

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