I. Call to Order - The regular scheduled meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board was called to order at 4:30 pm.

II. Roll Call-- Ms. Phillis Johnson called the roll. Members present were: Mr. Anthony Lascaro, Mr. Chase Tettleton, Mr. Scott Willfong, Mr. Chase Shelton, Mr. Mike Russell, and Mr. Chard Richard. Members absent were Ms. Carla Fowler and Mr. Bryan Jeansonne.

ABC Staff members present were: Ms. Lynn Long, Ms. Phillis Johnson Ms. Casandra Jeanlouis, Director Chris Cranford, Agent Larry Cooper, Agent Jayda Sanders, Agent William Graham, Agent Michael Montgomery, and Assistant Administrative Prosecutor Paolo Messina.

III. Invocation – Led by Mr. Wilfong.

IV. Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Mr. Wilfong.

V. Introductions and Acknowledgments - None

VI. Adoption of the Minutes of the Meeting from November 15, 2018 - A motion was made by Mr. Russell and seconded by Mr. Lascaro to approve the minutes. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

VII. Public Comment Note: Public comments may be made on all agenda items.

VIII. Review

A. Approved. Exquisite Event Center LLC d/b/a Exquisite Event Center, 6755 Airline Hwy Ste B, review the Notice of Intent application to allow the business to proceed with a Class A Beer & Liquor license. Motioned by Mr. Tettleton and seconded by Mr. Shelton to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilwoman Erika Green – District 5

B. Approved. Murphy Oil USA Inc. d/b/a Murphy Express #8861, 12912 Jefferson Hwy., review the Notice of Intent application to allow the business to proceed with a Class B Beer & Liquor license. Motioned by Mr. Lascaro and seconded by Mr. Shelton to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilman Dwight Hudson – District 9

C. Approved. Rockn Ouut Enterprise LLC d/b/a Rockn Ouut Save & Go, 4160 Mohican Prescott Crossover., review the Notice of Intent application to allow the business to proceed with a Class B Beer & Liquor license. Motioned by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Mr. Tettleton to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilwoman Donna Collins-Lewis – District 6

D. Approved. Swagat Indian Cuisine LLC d/b/a Swagat Indian Cuisine, 15380 George O’Neal Lane, review the Notice of Intent application to allow the business to proceed with a Class A & Restaurant license. Motioned by Mr. Tettleton and seconded by Mr. Lascaro to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilwoman Denise Amoroso – District 8

E. Approved. Central City Steak & Seafood LLC d/b/a Central City Steak & Seafood, 9550 Hooper Road, review the accountant’s report for issuance of a permanent Class A & Restaurant License. Motioned by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Mr. Lascaro to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilman Scott Wilson – District 4

F. Approved. Crawfish City of Louisiana LLC d/b/a Crawfish City of Louisiana, 4748 Airline Hwy, review the accountant’s report for issuance of a permanent Class A & Restaurant license. Motioned by Mr. Tettleton and seconded by Mr. Shelton to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilwoman Erika Green – District 5
G. Approved. Istrouma Hospitality LLC d/b/a Courtyard by Marriott Baton Rouge Downtown, 260 3rd Street, review the account’s report for issuance of a permanent Class A & Restaurant license. Motioned by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Mr. Tettleton to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilwoman Tara Wicker – District 10

H. Approved. Just Wingin It La LLC d/b/a Just Wingin It, 18181 Jefferson Hwy Ste 106, review the accountant’s report for issuance of a permanent Class A & Restaurant license. Motioned by Mr. Richard and seconded by Mr. Tettleton to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilman Dwight Hudson – District 9

I. Approved. Lizzie’s Restaurant LLC d/b/a Lizzie’s Restaurant, 8436 Tom Drive, review the accountant’s report for issuance of a permanent Class A & Restaurant license. Motioned by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Mr. Tettleton to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilwoman Donna Collins-Lewis - District 6

J. Approved. Pelican Sports TV LLC d/b/a Scoreboards Sports Grill & Catering, 10655 Coursey Blvd., review the accountant’s report for issuance of a permanent Class A & Restaurant license. Motioned by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Mr. Lascaro to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilman Matt Watson – District 11

K. Deleted. Pier 4 LLC d/b/a Seafood 24, 4564 Bennington Ave., review the accountant’s report for issuance of a permanent Class A & Restaurant license. Motioned by Mr. Tettleton and seconded by Mr. Russell to delete item. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilwoman Barbara Freiberg – District 12

IX. Opposition Hearings

A. SMS Plank Rd Grocery LLC. d/b/a SMS Plank Rd Grocery, 3847 Plank Road, relative to formal opposition received against the Notice of Intent application for a Class B Beer & Liquor license.

Present and speaking on behalf of the neighborhood representing the opposition: Jerry James, Dorothy Holden and letter from Councilwoman Wicker.

Present and speaking on behalf of business was owner Mr. Saleh Hasan.

Mr. Lascaro moved to deny the opposition and approve the business to proceed with the application process, seconded by Mr. Tettleton, hearing no objections, the formal opposition fails and the business is allowed to proceed.

Councilwoman Tara Wicker – District 10

B. HBrand LLC d/b/a Brewhouse Beverage, 8602 Greenwell Springs Rd., relative to formal opposition received against the Notice of Intent application for a Class B Beer & Liquor license.

Present and speaking on behalf of the neighborhood representing the opposition: John Guzzardo, Derrick Flowers, Shalese Flowers, Joseph London, Wendy Johnson, and Gina Guzzardo.

Present and speaking on behalf of business was owner Mr. James Harris.

Mr. Tettleton moved to deny the opposition and approve the business to proceed with the application process, seconded by Mr. Russell, hearing no objections, the formal opposition fails and the business is allowed to proceed.

Councilwoman Donna Collins-Lewis – District 6
X. Hearings

A. Approved. Revolution Night Club d/b/a Revolution Night Club, 8419 Florida Blvd for violation of the Wine, Beer & Liquor Ordinance. The business was granted an extension on payment of fine until the November 15, 2018 meeting. Attorney Chris Alexander was present for the business. Mr. Alexander stated that he client was in route to the proceedings. The business owner failed to appear. Motioned by Mr. Russell and seconded by Mr. Tettleton to suspend license until the balance is paid in full. Hearing no objections, motion passed.

B. Approved. Citation #3825 issued to Original RCC LLC d/b/a Rotolo’s Craft & Crust, 411 Ben Hur Drive, violation of the Wine, Beer, & Liquor, Section 9:1013 (C) – Unlicensed employee. The alleged violation occurred on October 23, 2018. Agent Sanders gave a brief description of the incident prior to the citation being issued. No one was present for the business. Motioned by Mr. Lascaro and seconded by Mr. Shelton, that violation did occur and impose fine of $500 and suspense license until fine is paid. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

C. Approved. Citation #3868 issued to JVP Inc. d/b/a LA Food Mart, 9988 Florida Blvd., violation of the Wine, Beer, & Liquor, Section 9:1013 (C) – Unlicensed employee; Section 9:1017 (B)(2) – Unlawful sales of alcoholic beverages to persons 18, 19 or 20 years of age. The alleged violation occurred on November 20, 2018. Agent Cooper gave a brief description of the incident prior to the citation being issued. No one was present for the business. Motioned by Mr. Lascaro and seconded by Mr. Shelton, that violation did occur and impose fines of $500 and $750 and suspense license until fine is paid. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

D. Approved. Citation #3976 issued to Andrew L. Mitchell II, 1767 Gurlie Drive, violation of the Wine, Beer, & Liquor, Section 9:1007(D) – Unlicensed employee; Section 9:1017(B)(1) – Unlawful sales of alcoholic beverages to persons 18, 19 or 20 years of age. The alleged violation occurred on November 20, 2018 while employed at LA Food Mart. Agent Cooper gave a brief description of the incident prior to the citation being issued. No one was present for the business. Motioned by Mr. Lascaro and seconded by Mr. Tettleton, that violation did occur and impose fines of $100 and $250, and suspense license until fine is paid. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

E. Deleted. Citation #3815 issued to Robert Brown, Jr. d/b/a Club Avalon, 3575 N. Acadian Thwy., violation of the Wine, Beer & Liquor Ordinance, Section 9:1014 (D) – Failure to pay taxes or fees. Mr. Brown was granted an extension on payment of fine until the December 13, 2018 meeting. The fine was paid prior to the meeting. Motioned by Mr. Russell and seconded Mr. Shelton to delete item. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

XI. Business Applications – Permanent License: A motion was made by Mr. Russell and seconded by Mr. Lascaro to consolidate items A- H; also motion by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Mr. Russell to approve consolidated items A-H. Hearing no objections, both motions passed.


B. Approved. Friendly Stop Inc. d/b/a Friendly Food Mart, 12617 Florida Blvd., Class B Beer & Liquor license. Councilwoman Donna Collins-Lewis – District 6

C. Approved. Murphy Oil USA Inc. d/b/a Murphy Express #8857, 8144 Florida Blvd., Class B Beer & Liquor license. Councilman Matt Watson – District 11

D. Approved. Murphy Oil USA Inc. d/b/a Murphy USA #7716, 10250 Sullivan Rd., Class B Beer & Liquor license. Councilman Scott Wilson – District 4
E. Approved. Rouses Enterprises LLC d/b/a Rouses Market #70, 600 Arlington Creek Centre Blvd., Class B Beer & Liquor license. 
   Councilwoman Barbara Freiberg – District 12

F. Approved. Shubh LLC d/b/a Airline Food Mart, 7174 Airline Hwy., Class B Beer & Liquor. 
   Councilman LaMont Cole – District 7

   Councilwoman Tara Wicker – District 10

   Councilman Dwight Hudson – District 9

L. Citation #3748 issued to 13289 Old Hammond Hwy. LLC d/b/a Old Hammond Hwy. Store #149, 13289 Old Hammond Hwy., violation of the Wine, Beer & Liquor Ordinance, Section 9:1017 (B)(2) – Sales of alcoholic beverages to persons 18, 19, or 20 years of age. The alleged violation occurred on October 22, 2018.

XII. Pending Litigation- None

XIII. Administrative Matters- None

XIV. Adjourn- There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Mr. Lascaro and seconded by Mr. Tettleton to adjourn. Hearing no objections, meeting was adjourned at 5:39pm.