

BLLC Community Connection

A Community Engagement Newsletter from the Baltimore City Liquor Board

July 2020

COVID-19 July Update

For the latest information, [view the COVID-19 section of our website](#).

Office Remains Closed to General Public - Please remember: The BLLC requests that all applications, correspondence, and related materials be **mailed in to the office at 1 North Charles St., Suite 1500, Baltimore, MD, 21201**. Phone lines will remain open from 8:30am to 4:30pm each day, though no one will be available in person at the offices.

Reminder - Operations of Licensed Establishments:

To see the list of BLLC **additional guidance** in Baltimore City concerning carry out and delivery procedures for alcoholic beverage service, [please click here](#).

Reminder - Extensions of time periods:

To see a copy of the BLLC's Press Release, [click here](#).

Virtual Hearings:

The BLLC held its first virtual hearing on May 7, 2020. All hearings are available for [viewing on CharmTV](#). The next hearing will be held August 2nd, [click here for more information](#).



Virtual Hearing Primer

Planning to attend an upcoming hearing? Find instructions and tips in our WebEx Primer, [here](#).

2020 MD Legislative Session Update

Each year the Maryland General Assembly (MGA) passes legislation that affects the citizens of Baltimore. Below is a brief recap of legislation that was passed during the MGA's 2020 Legislative Session. Click the link for the full bill:

[HB168 / SB181](#) – Restricts hours of operation for a Class BD7 license located in the area bounded by Liberty Heights Avenue, Northern Parkway, Druid Park Drive, and Wabash Avenue from 9am to 9pm, 7 days per week.

[HB228 / SB73](#) - Authorizes the Board to issue a Class BD-7 License in the 5400 block of Harford Road, with certain conditions.

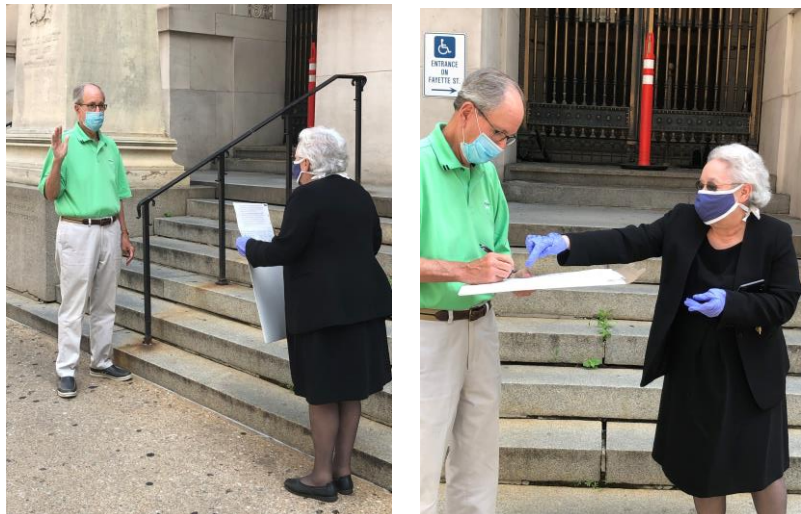
[HB924](#) – Eliminates temporary extension fees for Main Street organizations that make application on behalf of licensed establishments, makes corrective edits to boundaries in the Old Goucher Revitalization District, and allows a waiver for the church / school distance requirement in a specific area.

[HB954 / SB328](#) – Allows for a Class B license holder to exchange his or her license for a Class BD7 in a specific area, allows issuance of a Class C in a specific area, and creates a specific area in and around the Oliver community restricting the hours of operation for all license holders, except Class B license holders, from 9am to 10pm..

[HB1293 / SB69](#) – Amends the time period to exchange a Class BD7 license for a Class A-7 license and alters hours of operation of Class A-7 licenses from 10am to midnight, 7 days, and creates video surveillance requirements for Class A, A-2, and A-7 licenses.

BLLC Commissioner Matricciani Reappointed

On July 1st, 2020, Hon. Albert J. Matricciani, Chairman of the Board of Liquor License Commissioners, was sworn in to serve his third term as a Commissioner. Commissioner Matricciani was first appointed to the Board in 2016. He was reappointed on June 25, 2020, by Mayor Bernard C. "Jack" Young, and selected as Chairman of the Board on July 30, by a vote of the Commissioners. Matricciani's current term ends on June 30, 2022.



Chairman Matricciani being sworn in by Clerk of the Circuit Court Marilyn Bentley.