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Mr. Adam Vaughan  
Councillor  
Ward 20, Trinity-Spadina  
100 Queen Street West  
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Dear ~~Mr. Vaughan~~ *Adam*:

I appreciate your meeting with ministry staff on April 27, 2009, to further discuss your proposal to allow on a pilot basis the relocation of certain liquor licensed patios to the curb side on College Street.

Ministry staff have provided me with information regarding the College Street pedestrian clearway project and your proposal that is supported by the Harbord Village Residents Association.

To allow this pilot, as you are aware, the government would need to amend Regulation 719 under the *Liquor Licence Act*. Thus, this proposal would have to be reviewed and approved by government. As such, it is unlikely that the pilot would be available for the 2009 patio season. As discussed at the meeting, if approved, the pilot would likely be implemented for the 2010 patio season.

As well, I have asked ministry staff to consult with stakeholders on this proposal. I am also advised that if approved it would be necessary for licensees to apply for a change to their liquor licence. This may also require public notice to allow for public input.

I appreciate your commitment to this proposal, and I have asked ministry staff to keep you apprised of any developments. Once again, thank you for presenting your proposal to me.

Kind regards,

  
Ted McMeekin  
Minister of Government Services