

City Council**Motion without Notice**

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620 King Street West - Liquor Licence Application - The General Licence 545220 - by Councillor Joe Cressy, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.
* This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor Joe Cressy, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the City Clerk to advise the Registrar of the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario that the issuance of a liquor licence for 620 King Street West operating under the name The General (the “Premises”) is not in the public interest having regard to the needs and wishes of the residents, and that the Registrar should issue either a Proposal to Review or a Proposal to Refuse the liquor licence application.
2. City Council request the Licence Appeal Tribunal to provide the City of Toronto with an opportunity to be made party to any proceedings with respect to the Premises.
3. City Council authorize the City Solicitor to attend all proceedings before the Licence Appeal Tribunal in this matter and direct the City Solicitor to take all necessary action so as to give effect to this Motion, including determining whether the application ought to be refused outright or whether the application can be supported with conditions to the liquor licence, all in consultation with the Ward Councillor.

Summary

The General Limited Partnership submitted an Application to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario for a liquor licence at the premises at 620 King Street West to operate under the name of The General (“the Premises”). The Application is for an indoor area and an outdoor area, on private property.

The Premises is nearby a low-density residential neighbourhood. There are concerns related to noise, litter, safety, lighting and other potential disturbances to residents in the area. This application for a new liquor licence is not in the public interest, unless the concerns of the residents are addressed. The Registrar of the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario should be requested to issue a Proposal to Review or a Proposal to Refuse the liquor licence

application.

This application for a liquor licence is not in the public interest unless certain conditions, addressing the concerns of the community, are attached to the licence.

This matter is urgent as the Placard deadline for objections was June 12, 2019.

Background Information (City Council)

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