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Toronto City Council
Trinity-Spadina, Ward 20

September 8, 2011

Toronto and East York Community Council
100 Queen St W
Toronto M5H 2N2

Dear Chair and Members,

NEW BUSINESS: **Liquor Licence**
186 Spadina Ave – Toronto Underground Cinema, Licence 815152

SUMMARY:

2169945 Ontario Inc. has submitted an application for a new liquor licence to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (“AGCO”) for a premises at 186 Spadina Avenue operating under the name Toronto Underground Cinema (the “Premises”). The applicant is seeking a liquor licence for an indoor capacity of 737 patrons. It is proposed that the Premises will continue to operate as a movie theatre. The deadline for the submission of objections to the application is September 14, 2011.

The Premises is located on the ground floor of a residential condominium building. Therefore, the application for a liquor licence is not in the public interest unless conditions, addressing the concerns of the residents, are attached to the licence. The application is for a large indoor capacity of 737 patrons and due to the immediate proximity of residential units impacts associated with the proposed licence may adversely affect residents.

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. Given the large capacity being sought for the Premises and its location in a residential building, under no circumstance should a liquor sales licence be granted at the Premises without appropriate conditions attached.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That City Council direct the City Clerk to advise the Registrar of the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (“AGCO”) that the liquor licence application for Toronto Underground Cinema, 186 Spadina Avenue (the “Premises”), is not in the public interest having regard to the needs and wishes of the residents, and that the Registrar should issue a Proposal to Review the liquor licence application.
2. That City Council request the AGCO to provide the City with an opportunity to participate in any proceedings with respect to the Premises.



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3. That the City Solicitor be authorized to attend all proceedings before the Licence Appeal Tribunal in this matter and be directed to take all necessary actions so as to give effect to this Motion, including adding and deleting conditions to any liquor licence issued for the Premises, in consultation with the Ward Councillor, which address issues including, but not limited to, noise, safety, crowd control, signage, lighting and litter.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Adam Vaughan
City Councillor, Ward 20 – Trinity-Spadina

