

Councillor Adam Vaughan 魏德方

Toronto City Council
Trinity-Spadina, Ward 20

June 12, 2012

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

Dear Chair and Members,

Re: Liquor Licence - 192 Adelaide Street West – Soho House, Licence No. 815599

Sochi Hospitality Inc., Soto House Investment Inc., and 3261974 Nova Scotia Company Inc. have submitted an application for a new liquor licence to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (“AGCO”) for a premises at 192 Adelaide Street West operating under the name Soho House (the “Premises”). The applicant is seeking a liquor licence for six separate indoor areas with a total capacity of 424 patrons, and three separate outdoor areas with a total capacity of 121 patrons.

The Premises is proposed to operate as a private social club, and is located in the City’s entertainment district. The Premises is located in close proximity to residential properties, and currently noise from other licenced establishments in the area has disturbed the area residents. Given the proposed private social club use, the size of the proposed licence capacity, and the proposed outdoor areas, including a rooftop patio, area residents are concerned that impacts associated with a social club use may further impact neighbouring 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.

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 Soho House, 192 Adelaide Street West (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 Licence Appeal Tribunal (“LAT”) to provide the City with an opportunity to participate in any proceedings with respect to the Premises.

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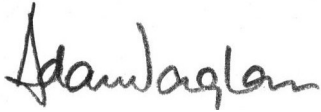
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3. That the City Solicitor be authorized to attend all proceedings before the LAT in this matter and be directed to take all necessary actions so as to give effect to this Motion, including adding and deleting conditions to any liquor licence issued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

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Adam Vaughan
City Councillor, Ward 20 – Trinity-Spadina

