City Council

Motion without Notice

MM54.26	ACTION			Ward:19
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Liquor Licence - 503 College Street - Gwailo - File No. 804872 - by Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Raymond Cho

Recommendations

Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Raymond Cho, recommends that:

- 1. 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 Gwailo, 503 College Street (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. City Council request the Licence Appeal Tribunal ("LAT") to provide the City with an opportunity to be made a party in any proceedings with respect to the Premises.
- 3. City Council authorize the City Solicitor to attend all proceedings before the LAT in this matter and direct the City Solicitor 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.

Summary

2402477 Ontario Inc. has submitted an application for a liquor licence to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario ("AGCO") for a premises at 503 College Street, operating under the name Gwailo (the "Premises"). The application is for an increase to the indoor capacity from 84 to about 142 patrons, whereas the outdoor capacity will decrease, from 27 to about 14 persons.

^{*} 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.

The Premises is located in an area with a large concentration of licenced establishments. There is concern in the community that this increase in capacity will cause noise and other disturbances to residents in the area. If conditions are put in place, these concerns may be mitigated. As such, 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.

(Submitted to City Council on July 8 and 9, 2014 as MM54.26)

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM54.26 (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2014/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-71337.pdf)