January 15, 2014

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

Dear Chair and Members,

NEW BUSINESS REQUEST: Liquor Licence Application – 609 King St W, Licence No. 816537

Mastrandrea Commercial Bakeries Limited has submitted an application for a new liquor licence to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (“AGCO”) for a premises at 609 King Street West operating under the name Forno Cultura (the “Premises”). The applicant is seeking a liquor licence for an indoor capacity of 32 patrons.

The Premises is located in an area with a large concentration of licenced establishments. There is concern in the community that this new establishment 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.

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 Forno Cultura, 609 King 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 be made a party in any proceedings with respect to the Premises.

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