TORONTO Member Motion

City Council

Motion without Notice

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Liquor Licence - 163 John Street - Corner Comedy Club (The) - File No. 817317 - by Councillor Joe Cressy, seconded by Councillor Mike Layton

* Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice. * This Motion is subject to referral to the Toronto and East York Community Council. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral. * This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.

Recommendations

Councillor Joe Cressy, seconded by Councillor Mike Layton, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the City Clerk to advise the Registrar of the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario that the liquor licence application for Corner Comedy Club (The), 163 John Street ("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 action 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, litter, safety, lighting and other potential disturbances to residents in the area.

Summary

Corner Comedy Club (The) Inc. has submitted an application for a liquor licence to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario ("AGCO") for the premises at 163 John Street, operating under the name Corner Comedy Club (The) ("Premises"). The application is for a restaurant with a proposed indoor capacity of 34 persons and an outdoor capacity of 50 persons.

The Premises are located in close proximity to residential properties. There are concerns related to noise, litter, safety, lighting and other potential disturbances to residents in the area.

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. The Registrar of the AGCO should be requested to issue a Proposal to Review the liquor licence application.