

Licensing and Standards Committee

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Subject: My comments for 2016.LS11.2 on May 19, 2016 Licensing and Standards Committee

To the City Clerk:

Please add my comments to the agenda for the May 19, 2016 Licensing and Standards Committee meeting on item 2016.LS11.2, Chapter 591, Noise - Amendments After Further Consultation

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Comments:

The Trinity Bellwoods Community Association (**TBCA**) **requests that the proposed changes to the Noise By-law be referred back to City staff and revised to address key concerns raised by the [Toronto Noise Coalition report](#)** (which was drafted in collaboration with the TBCA).

As a group of concerned and engaged residents and business owners in Ward 19, we believe that the proposed noise bylaw further compromises the protections provided by the noise bylaw, and fails to address existing weaknesses in the bylaw.

Specifically, **we request that the changes to the General Prohibition be rescinded**—the change completely removes protections from daytime noise between 7am and 11pm and are completely unacceptable. Furthermore, **we are appalled by the weakened protections offered by the revised specific prohibition for amplified sound**. Furthermore, **we ask the Mayor and Council support and recognize the importance of a responsive, effective and enforceable Noise By-law**.

Again, we ask that you review our position statement (prepared in collaboration with the Toronto Noise Coalition), which is available here: [TNC Position Statement](#).

As the density of Toronto increases, noise will become an even greater issue. Toronto deserves a Noise Bylaw that truly balances the demands of the entertainment sector with the health and sustainable growth of a livable City.

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Also, I would like to appear before the May 19, 2016 Licensing and Standards Committee to speak on item 2016.LS11.2, Chapter 591, Noise - Amendments After Further Consultation

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