REPORT FOR ACTION

11 Polson Street - Maya Corp./Powerhouse Corporation currently operating as Rebel Nightclub/Cabana Pool Bar - Liquor Licence 804501

Date: October 21, 2019
To: City Council
From: City Solicitor
Wards: Ward 14 - Toronto - Danforth

SUMMARY

At its meeting on July 16, 17 and 18, 2019, City Council directed the City Solicitor to write the Registrar of Alcohol, Gaming and Racing (the "Registrar") to determine if the conditions attached to the liquor licence for Maya Corp. at Rebel Night Club and Cabana Pool Bar at 11 Polson Street (together the "Premises"), are being enforced by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO), and to determine if any disciplinary action has been brought forward to Maya Corp. for violations of section 46 of Regulation 719, or for a breach of the conditions attached to the liquor licence. City Council directed the City Solicitor to report to its October 2 and 3, 2019 meeting with the Registrar's response. Since a response was not provided prior to the October 2 and 3 meeting, City Council adopted the Recommendation of a report (September 23, 2019) from the City Solicitor directing that the City Solicitor report on the Registrar's response to the October 29 and 30, 2019 meeting of City Council. As of the date of this report the Registrar still has not provided a response.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Solicitor recommends that:

1. City Council direct the City Solicitor make an additional request to the Registrar of Alcohol, Gaming and Racing to respond to the City Solicitor's letter dated August 6, 2019, and to report on the response from the Registrar to the first meeting of Council once a response is provided.
FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact arising from the adoption of the recommendation.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on June 10, 11 & 12, 2015, City Council adopted Item MM7.23 – Liquor Licence Application Powerhouse Corporation currently operating as Polson Pier - 11 Polson Street, in which Council objected to a new liquor licence application for the Premises.


At its meeting on July 16, 17 and 18, 2019, City Council adopted Item MM9.33 - 11 Polson Street - Powerhouse Corporation currently operating as Rebel Nightclub/Cabana Pool Bar - Liquor Licence 804501, directing the City Solicitor to write the Registrar to determine if the conditions attached to the liquor licence at the Premises were being enforced by the AGCO, and to determine if any disciplinary action has been brought forward to Maya Corp. for violations of section 46 of Regulation 719 or for a breach of a condition attached to the licence.


At its meeting on October 2 and 3, 2019, City Council adopted Item CC10.2 - 11 Polson Street - Powerhouse Corporation currently operating as Rebel Nightclub/Cabana Pool Bar - Liquor Licence 804501, directing the City Solicitor to report to the October 2 and 3, 2019 meeting of City Council on the response by the Registrar to the August 6, 2019 letter from the City Solicitor.

COMMENTS

As of the date of this report the Registrar of Alcohol, Gaming and Racing has not responded to the August 6, 2019 letter from the City Solicitor. Therefore, this report recommends that Council instruct the City Solicitor make a further request for a response to the letter, and to report directly to the first meeting of City Council after the response is received.

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