

City Council

Motion Without Notice

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1272 Dundas Street West - Liquor Licence Application - Mordecai Bar - License No. 461964 - by Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by Councillor James Pasternak

** 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.*

Recommendations

Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by Councillor James Pasternak, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the City Clerk to advise the Registrar of the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario that the issuance of a liquor licence for 1272 Dundas Street West operating under the name Mordecae Bar, is not in the public interest having regard to the needs and wishes of the residents, and that the Registrar should issue either a Proposal to Review or a Proposal to Refuse the liquor licence application.
2. City Council request the Licence Appeal Tribunal to provide the City of Toronto with an opportunity to be made party to any proceedings with respect to the Premises.
3. City Council authorize the City Solicitor to attend all proceedings before the Licence Appeal Tribunal in this matter and City Council direct the City Solicitor to take all necessary action so as to give effect to this Motion, including determining whether the application ought to be refused outright or whether the application can be supported with conditions added to the liquor licence, all in consultation with the Ward Councillor.

Summary

Mordecai Inc. has submitted an application to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario for a liquor licence for the premises at 1272 Dundas Street West to operate under the name Mordecae Bar. (“the Premises”). The Application is for an indoor area with a proposed capacity of 205 patrons. There is no proposed licenced outdoor seating.

The Premises abuts a low-density residential neighbourhood. There are concerns related to noise, litter, safety, lighting and other potential disturbances to residents in the area. This application for a new liquor licence is not in the public interest, unless the concerns of the residents are addressed. The Registrar of the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario should be requested to issue a Proposal to Review or a Proposal to Refuse the liquor licence

application.

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.

This matter is urgent as the placard deadline for objections was March 26, 2019.

Background Information (City Council)

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