City Council

Motion without Notice

MM8.53

1661 Bloor Street West - Liquor Licence Application - Viajero Cantina - by Councillor Gord Perks, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam

* 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 Gord Perks, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, 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 Viajero Cantina, 1661 Bloor Street West is not in the public interest having regard to the needs and wishes of the residents unless conditions are placed on the licence and that the Registrar should issue a Proposal to Review 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 be directed to take all necessary actions so as to give effect to this Motion, including adding conditions to any liquor licence issued for the Premises.

Summary
An application has been submitted to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario for a liquor licence at the premises at 1661 Bloor Street West to operate under the name of Viajero Cantina. This Motion requests that City Council advise the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario that 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 establishment is located in close proximity to residential units. There are concerns that an establishment with a liquor licence can cause noise and disturbance to residents in the area. If conditions are put in place, these concerns may be mitigated. Under no circumstance should the establishment be granted a liquor sales license without conditions attached.

This matter is deemed urgent as the deadline to object to the application is July 10, 2019.

Background Information (City Council)
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