

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM36.1	ACTION			Ward: 5
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2009 Lawrence Avenue West, Unit 3 - Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario Liquor Licence Application - File 1269083 - by Councillor Frances Nunziata, seconded by Councillor Ana Bailão

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the Etobicoke York Community Council. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

** This Motion relates to a Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario Hearing and has been deemed urgent.*

Recommendations

Councillor Frances Nunziata, seconded by Councillor Ana Bailão, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the City Clerk to advise the Registrar of the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (“Registrar”) that the liquor licence application for La Piton Banquet Hall, 2009 Lawrence Avenue West, Unit 3 (the "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 Refuse the liquor licence application.
2. City Council request the Licence Appeal Tribunal 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 Licence Appeal Tribunal in this matter and City Council authorize 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.

Summary

A liquor licence application has been submitted to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario for the premises at 2009 Lawrence Avenue West, Unit 3, operating as La Piton Banquet Hall (the "Premises"). The application is for an indoor area with a proposed capacity of over 30 people. This Motion requests that City Council advise the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario that the application for a liquor licence at the Premises is not in the public interest having regard to the needs and wishes of the municipality in which the premises are located.

This Premises is located in a plaza with commercial units, all of which are in close proximity to

each other. The plaza itself is in close proximity to residential units that abut the Premises to the south. There are concerns that an establishment at this location, with a liquor license will cause noise and other disturbances to residents and business owners in the area.

During the Province's regulated stay-at-home orders, Toronto Police Service Officers responded to several noise complaints and large gatherings at and outside the Premises, including for events held after the normal stop service time for establishments that have liquor licences. My office has also received communications from local residents with concerns of disturbances arising from the Premises. Under no circumstance should the Premises be granted a liquor sales license.

This matter is deemed urgent as the deadline to object to the application was August 21, 2021.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM36.1

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2021/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-171059.pdf>