City Council

Notice of Motion

MM3.4	ACTION			Ward: 10
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Street Vending Permit Transfer - by Councillor Ausma Malik, seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo

* Notice of this Motion has been given.

* This Motion is subject to referral to the Economic and Community Development Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.

Recommendations

Councillor Ausma Malik, seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo, recommends that:

1. City Council, despite the moratorium on Sidewalk Vending Permits in Ward 10 in section 740-11, Chapter 740, Street Vending, and the prohibition on transferring Sidewalk Vending Permits in section 740-31 of Chapter 740, Street Vending, City Council direct the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards, to lift the moratorium on sidewalk vending in Ward 10 for this particular case, and accept a transfer application for Sidewalk Vending Permit R53-2126896 (David Roland Schooley), as well as issue a new permit to 1000404567 Ontario Inc., provided that:

a. all terms and conditions of the permit and other requirements of Chapter 740, Street Vending shall continue to apply; and

b. 1000404567 Ontario Inc. has provided the City with the following to the satisfaction of the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards:

i. a new agreement with the City;

ii. updated proof of insurance;

iii. proof of a valid business license issued by the City; and

iv. proof of the payment of all applicable fees required by the City.

2. City Council direct the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards to waive the following Sidewalk Vending Permits conditions for Sidewalk Vending Permit R53-2126896:

a. the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards shall, so far as is practicable, notify the owners of buildings and occupants of businesses within 25 metres of the proposed designated area, the Board of Management of a local Business Improvement Area and the local Councillor of the application and its eligibility for approval, stating that

any person may object to the application by writing to the Executive Director within 14 days from the date of notification.

3. City Council direct that a total of at least 2.5 metres of paved sidewalk, measured between the face of the designated area at which customers stand and any adjacent obstruction to pedestrian passage or change in grade on private property, shall remain available.

Summary

David Roland Schooley has been the operator and Sidewalk Vending Permit holder of a hotdog cart on the north side of Lakeshore Blvd (30 meters east of Bay St) for many years.

There is a current moratorium in place which does not allow applications for a Sidewalk Vending Permit to vend refreshments and/or vehicles from a non-motorized vehicle. COVID-19 has added immense financial pressures to families, particularly to those who rely on these types of businesses which are somewhat precarious in nature, and given that this is the family's main income they cannot afford to lose it.

This Motion is urgent because if the permit is not transferred as soon as possible, they will be unable to operate the street vending unit and continue losing income needed to support the family.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM3.4 (https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2023/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-233970.pdf)