

EC14.2 - Night Economy Manifesto

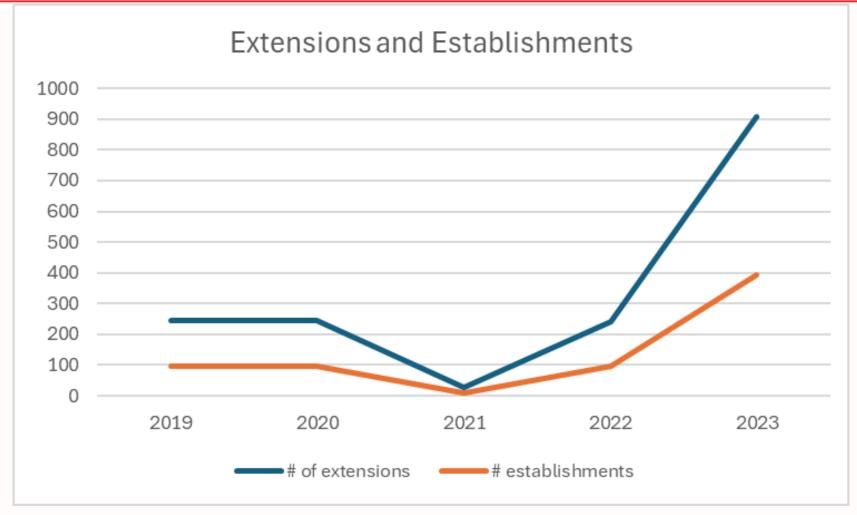
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No More Noise Toronto

- Ingrid Buday, Founder
- Founded this group almost 2 years ago after I learned that I am not the only one who is experiencing significant health issues due to noise
- >1,300 subscribers + 800 followers on SM
- Host communities are suffering.
 - Loud amplified sound is impossible to ignore
 - Poor patron management disturbs neighbours



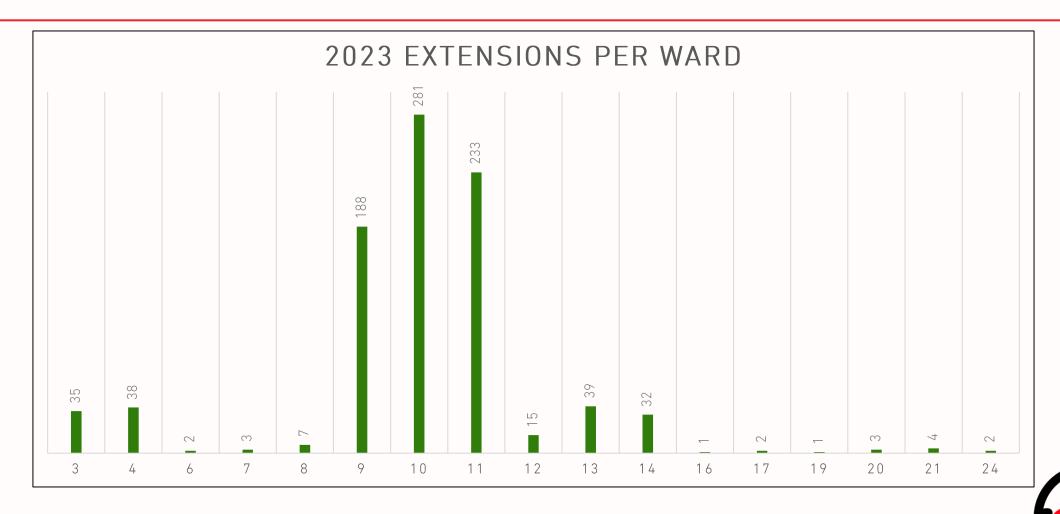
Establishments & Extensions 2019 - 2022





Source: https://www.toronto.ca/services-payments/permits-licences-bylaws/licence-to-serve-alcohol/

Extensions per Ward



City's Endorsement

After the list of what the city can endorse a short list of what they can't:

- Serving alcohol indoors later that 4 am
 - What about patios?
- Amplified music or sound outdoors after 9 PM, including sound emanating from inside (directly from the establishment
 - How does this connect with the noise bylaw?
- There are no fees for extensions of premise or hours
 - Public health suffers for what?



Nighttime Manifesto

The Manifesto outlines objectives to "Involve different partners and stakeholders to bridge gaps, raise awareness, and <u>build stronger</u> representation for <u>nighttime communities</u>."

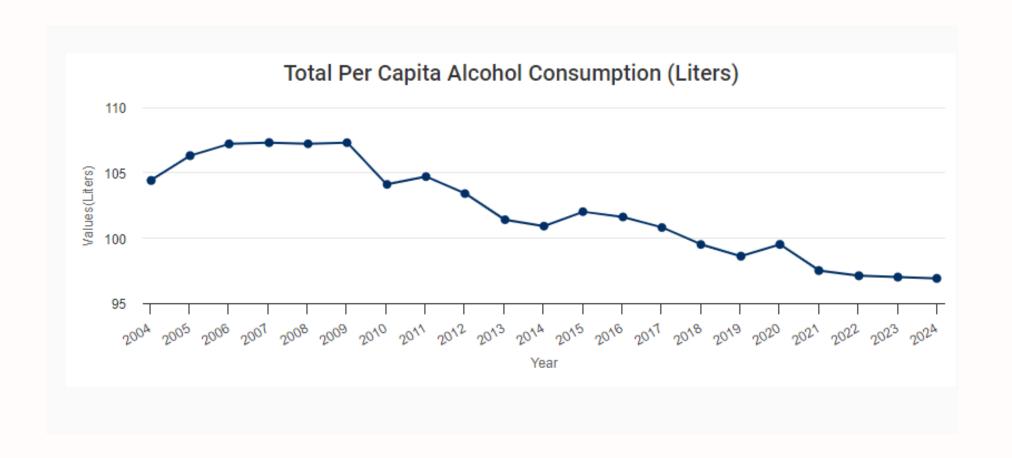
The onus of applying the visions of this Manifesto in practice is **on dedicated leaders and their communities** who need to work together and think critically about their local contexts and needs.



Night Economy: Google



Alcohol Consumption in Canada





Need to change that

- Develop new business models
- Encouraging businesses to change
 - Inclusive, sustainable, diverse economic development
- People that live in condos can't do much
 - Crafts, workshops gatherings that don't involve alcohol
- Soundproof and upgrade ventilation in existing and new venues.
- Create safe spaces for teens and young adults







Work with the community

| Included | Left Out |
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| European backgrounds cities, or club cultures, | Many non-city, non-club, and non-Western perspectives from different nightlife scenes |
| Held in English | Those who do not speak the language. |
| Had access to stable and affordable Internet | Those without connection to the internet. |
| Volunteer effort | Those who could not afford to join without compensation |
| City Officials | Host Communities (Involuntary) |
| | Those with disabilities |
| | Families, Seniors, etc |

Noise Control Plan - Level 1

- Acknowledgment of Noise Bylaws
- Identification of equipment & frequency of use

These items should be made mandatory!

Upon request:

- Describe actions taken to alleviate excessive noise
- Monitoring of exterior of premises
- Engagement process with residents, resident groups, etc.
- Action plan to address persistent reports



Sound Level Monitoring on the Street

Noise occurs 24 hours a day – while more bylaw officers would help, we need process improvements to reduce tension and create efficiencies

- Area sound level (not audio) monitoring is possible
 - Sensor plugs into top of streetlights
 - The city already has licenses for this software
 - Cost of equipment and installation (<\$1,000 to > \$10,000)



Video on the Living Lab: Eindhoven, NL



Residents need to know you care

- Need transparency
 - Create an extensions map make it available on Open Data Portal
 - Update daily i.e Business Licenses
- Communicate with Residents through groups, innovative and new ways – e alerts, Councillor newsletters, etc.
- Update enforcement processes (spot checks?
- Not everything in the Night Economy needs to be "a scene."
- To protect the night, you have to protect the day. Those workers sleep during the day.

Let's Create a Better Toronto by Reducing Noise



