

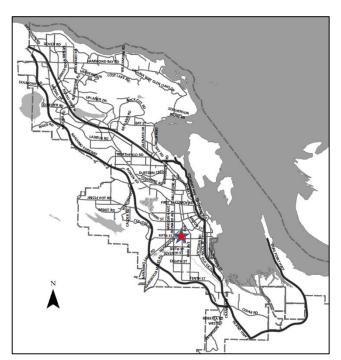
Information Report

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SUBJECT LIQUOR LICENCE APPLICATION NO. LA152 – 601 BRUCE AVENUE



Proposal:

To inform Council of a new liquor licence application for consideration.



Zoning:

CC3 - City Commercial Centre

City Plan Land Use Designation:

Neighbourhood Centre

Lot Area:

0.78ha





OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To inform Council of a new liquor licence application to permit liquor to be served at a neighbourhood pub located at 601 Bruce Avenue.

BACKGROUND

A notice of application was received from Sip Pub Inc. requesting a local government resolution in support of their application to the Provincial Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) to permit liquor to be served at a new neighbourhood pub to be located at Unit 106, 601 Bruce Avenue.

Subject Property and Site Context:

The subject property is in the University District within an existing shopping centre that contains retail, restaurant, and drive-thru uses. The property is bound by Bruce Avenue to the east, Fifth Street to the north, Shepherd Avenue to the west, and single family residential lots to the south.

DISCUSSION

The existing 'City Commercial Centre' (CC3) zone permits a wide range of commercial and service oriented uses (e.g. Fast Food Restaurant, Micro-Brewery, Neighbourhood Pub, Restaurant, Retail, Shopping Centre).

The applicant proposes an outdoor patio area, to be located immediately adjacent (south) of Unit 106. The proposed hours of liquor service are 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. for the indoor pub space and 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. for the outdoor patio area, seven days a week. The license would allow patio hours until 11:00 p.m. and indoor hours of service until 1:00 a.m., daily. The applicant has indicated their anticipated operating hours, except for special events, to be as follows:

	Sunday - Tuesday	Wednesday - Thursday	Friday - Saturday
Indoor Dining Hours	11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.	11:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.	11:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m. (midnight)
Outdoor Patio Hours	11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.	11:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.	11:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.

The business is proposing an occupant load capacity of 84 persons, with up to 59 people permitted within the outdoor patio area.

Location, hours of service, and capacity in relation to the liquor service are subject to local government consideration and comment. A municipal resolution is required before the LCRB will consider the liquor licence application further.

The LCRB asks the local government to gather the views of nearby residents and business owners. The City requires a public hearing for all new liquor licence applications. Should Council direct this application to proceed, it would be presented at the 2023-MAR-16 Public Hearing. A public notice and comment sheet will also be sent to all property owners and occupants within



100m of the subject property to seek public input on the liquor licence proposal. Once the responses have been returned, they will be summarized and attached to a future report to Council.

The LCRB has requested the local government comment on the impact of noise on the community in the immediate vicinity of the establishment, and the impact on the community if the application is approved. Staff will comment on these criteria in a future report following the Public Hearing and after referral responses have been received.

Opt Out of Application Process

With respect to all food and liquor primary licence applications, it is worth noting that Council has the option to provide no comment. If Council chooses to opt out of the application process, Staff will inform the LCRB of Council's decision and no further action will be taken by Staff regarding the application. If a local government chooses to opt out, the LCRB will start their own review process, which could considerably delay the application process. As such, Staff recommends that Council does not opt out of the application review process.

SUMMARY POINTS

- An application for a new liquor primary licence has been received to permit liquor to be served at a neighbourhood pub to be located in Unit 106 at 601 Bruce Avenue.
- Public notices will be delivered and the public will have an opportunity to comment on the liquor licence application at an upcoming Public Hearing.
- A summary of public comments and evaluation of community impacts will be brought to Council for consideration in a meeting following the Public Hearing.

ATTACHMENTS

ATTACHMENT A: Subject Property Map

ATTACHMENT B: Site Plan ATTACHMENT C: Floor Plan

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