

DATE OF MEETING June 5, 2023

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SUBJECT LIQUOR LICENCE APPLICATION NO. LA154 – UNIT 2, 5771
TURNER ROAD



Proposal:

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



Zoning:

CC3 – City Commercial Centre

City Plan Land Use Designation:

Mixed-Use Corridor

Lot Area:

0.9ha



OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To inform Council of a new liquor licence application to permit liquor to be served at an existing Nail Spa located at Unit 2, 5771 Turner Road.

BACKGROUND

A notice of application was received from Dave Dinh of Posh Nails Spa 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 an existing Nail Spa located at Unit 2, 5771 Turner Road.

Subject Property and Site Context:

The subject property is a unit within Longwood Station, an established commercial centre in north Nanaimo that contains retail, restaurant, and other commercial uses. The property is bound by the Island Highway to the west, Turner Road to the north, and Uplands Drive to the east. The nearest residences are in a multi-family building, located approximately 160m southeast from the nail spa.

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, Shopping Centre).

The applicant proposes liquor service be permitted within an existing business, Posh Nails Spa, to accompany a limited food menu for clients while they relax and receive treatments. The proposed occupancy is 15 persons, and the proposed hours of liquor service are as follows:

	Sunday	Monday-Saturday
Liquor Service Hours	10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

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 meeting for all new liquor licence applications, for the purposes of seeking public input. Should Council direct this application to advance, it would proceed to a public meeting tentatively scheduled for 2023-JUN-15. 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 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 meeting 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 an existing nails spa at Unit 2, 5771 Turner Road.
- Public notices will be delivered and the public will have an opportunity to comment on the liquor licence application at an upcoming public meeting.
- A summary of public comments and evaluation of community impacts will be brought to Council for consideration in a meeting following the public meeting. |

ATTACHMENTS

ATTACHMENT A: Subject Property Map

ATTACHMENT B: Site Plan

ATTACHMENT C: Floor Plan |

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