

Item
Meeting2020 September 28

COUNCIL REPORT

TO:

CITY MANAGER

DATE:

2020 September 23

FROM:

DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

SUBJECT:

PANDEMIC RECOVERY MEASURES

PURPOSE:

To seek an extension to Council's pre-approval for all liquor primary temporary expanded service areas to coincide with the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation

Branch's (LCRB) extension.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Council grant pre-approval to cover all liquor primary and manufacture establishments within the City who may apply for an expanded service area, as outlined in Option 1 of this report.

2. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to the General Manager, Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch, P.O. Box 9292, Stn. Provincial Government, Victoria, BC V8W 9J8.

REPORT

1.0 POLICY SECTION

The advancement of the proposed extension supports businesses with pandemic recovery efforts, and aligns with the following goals and sub-goals of the Corporate Strategic Plan:

• A Connected Community

- o Social connection Enhance social connections throughout Burnaby.
- o Partnership Work collaboratively with businesses, educational institutions, associations, other communities and governments.

• A Healthy Community

o Healthy Environment – Enhance our environmental health, resilience and sustainability.

• A Dynamic Community

o Economic opportunity – Foster an environment that attracts new and supports existing jobs, businesses and industries.

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2.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

On 2020 June 01, Council approved a host of immediate pandemic recovery measures, which included granting pre-approval for all temporary expanded service areas for liquor primary and manufacturer establishments seeking such approvals through the LCRB. On 2020 September 18, the LCRB announced Policy Directive 20-26, which extends the ability for the LCRB and municipalities to authorize Temporary Expanded Service Areas (TESA) until 2021 October 31. Previous to the directive, all existing TESA authorizations issued by the LCRB were set to expire on 2020 October 31.

The LCRB continues to provide the City with two options for new approvals of TESA authorizations for liquor primary and manufacturer licensees:

- Option 1: Pre-approval to cover all liquor primary and manufacturer establishments within their jurisdiction who may apply for an expanded service area; or,
- Option 2: Review/approval of all individual applications of all liquor primary and manufacturer expansions prior to licensees submitting their completed application package to the LCRB.

It is recommended that Council authorize staff to continue with Option 1 until 2021 October 31. If the service area is proposed to be expanded onto a City right-of-way, through the related Encroachment Permit, all terms and conditions of the original liquor licence approval can be applied as conditions to the Encroachment Permit. With this pre-approval from Council, staff can continue to issue permits for TESA as part of the City's *Active Sidewalks*, *Open Businesses Program*. This ongoing program allows businesses to apply to temporarily use outdoor spaces on or in front of their business for reasons such as temporary expanded liquor service areas, patio seating, and designated pick up zones, retail displays, and queuing areas. It is noted that the temporary amendments to the Burnaby Zoning Bylaw to facilitate this program are in place until 2021 October 31.

3.0 CONCLUSION

The LCRB has extended the time period for TESA until 2021 October 31. In this regard, it is requested Council grant pre-approval to cover all liquor primary and manufacturer establishments within the City who may apply for an expanded service area until 2021 October 31.

E.W. Kozak, Director

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cc: Director Corporate Services

Director Finance

Chief Building Inspector

Director Engineering

Director Public Safety and Community Services

City Solicitor

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