



To: General Purposes Committee
From: Andrew Nazareth
General Manager, Business & Financial Services

Date: November 1, 2007
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Re: Koho Restaurant Inc., doing business as
Koho Restaurant Bar
3880 Grant McConachie Way
Vancouver International Airport

Staff Recommendation

- (1) That the application made to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch to amend the liquor licence for Koho Restaurant Bar, operating from the pre-security area of the Vancouver International Airport, not be supported, and
- (2) That a Letter of Resolution be forwarded to the Manager of the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch indicating that support is not given (for the reasons outlined in the staff report dated November 1st, 2007, from the Manager, Business Liaison.)

Andrew Nazareth
General Manager, Business & Financial Services
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Staff Report

Analysis

The provincial Liquor Control and Licensing Branch (LCLB) issues licences under the authority of the Liquor Control and Licensing Act Regulations.

The LCLB notifies local government of liquor licence applications and amendments in order to give them the opportunity to provide comments and recommendations to the LCLB. For an amendment to an existing licence, the process requires local government to provide a Council resolution that address the following criteria:

- the views of the nearby residents and businesses and the method by which such views were gathered,
- the potential for noise, and
- the impact on the community.

This report deals with a liquor licence amendment application submitted to LCLB by David Mah, principal of Koho Restaurant Inc., doing business as Koho Restaurant Bar. This business is located in the pre-security area of the international terminal at Vancouver International Airport and currently provides liquor service from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Monday to Saturdays and 11:00 a.m. to midnight on Sundays. The application is to extend the hours of liquor service from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday through Sunday.

Findings Of Fact

Koho Restaurant Inc., holds a current City of Richmond Business Licence to operate a 188 seat restaurant with a Food Primary Liquor Licence from premises located in the international terminal of Vancouver International Airport.

In February of 2006, Council adopted a staff recommendation that the City comment on all liquor-related applications received from establishments that are located in the pre-security area of the passenger terminals and elsewhere on airport lands, and that relevant city policies and bylaws be adhered to.

Development Application Fees Bylaw No. 7984 Amendment Bylaw No. 8214, requires business establishments applying to the LCLB for an extension of liquor sales hours to:

- make application to the City (including payment of fee) which initiates a local government review of the proposed amendment(s),
- post a notice, in front of their establishment for a period of thirty days, outlining details of their application, and
- place three consecutive public notification advertisements in a local newspaper.

The applicant has failed to carry out all of the above requirements.

On October 10, 2007, having received no further information from the company, a letter (attached) was sent to them advising that staff would be recommending that their liquor licence amendment not be supported. To date there has been no further response or action from the applicant.

Financial Impact

None

Conclusion

As **Koho Restaurant Bar** has not complied with the City's Development Application Fees Bylaw 7984, Amendment Bylaw 8214, staff recommend that Council provide a Resolution to the LCLB to not support the application for the increase in liquor service hours.



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Attention: Mike Cabeca, Operations Manager

**Re: Application for Amendment to Liquor Licence - Food Primary
Vancouver International Airport - 3880 Grant McConachie Way, Richmond**

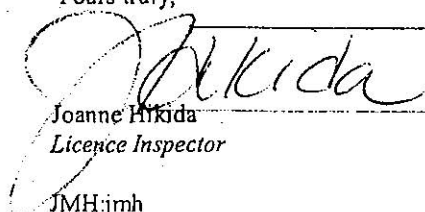
In May of 2007, an application and letter outlining the process the City requires to be completed in order for comment to LCLB on above, was sent to you. To date no application has been received nor have the required public notification processes been received and approved. On September 18, I spoke with you and was advised that the application and wording for the required signage and ads would be submitted within 1 to 2 weeks. Again, to date, nothing has been received.

This letter is to notify you that LCLB requires a Council resolution by November 15, 2007. As the City's Development Permit guidelines have not been completed, staff will be recommending that the amendment not be supported.

Should you wish to pursue an amendment in the future, we will require a new application to LCLB for signature and the Development Permit application must be submitted at the time you are seeking the City signature.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at 604-276-4155.

Yours truly,


Joanne Hikida
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