

Report to Committee

To:

General Purposes Committee

Date:

March 8, 2011

From:

W. Glenn McLaughlin

File:

Chief Licence Inspector & Risk Manager

Re:

Richmond Gateway Theatre

6500 Gilbert Road

Temporary Change to a Liquor Primary Licence

Staff Recommendation

That a letter be sent to Liquor Control and Licensing Branch advising that:

Council supports the application of the Richmond Gateway Theatre for a Temporary Change to Liquor Primary Licence #103637, for the dates June 23, 2011, October 7, 2011, November 11, 2011, December 16, 2011 and February 10, 2012.

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REVIEWED BY TAG	YES NO	REVIEWED BY CAO

Staff Report

Origin

Council Policy 9308 delegates authority to the Chief Licence Inspector to submit comments to the provincial Liquor Control & Licensing Branch (LCLB) for temporary changes to liquor licences to a maximum, per applicant, of three consecutive days or two applications in a twelve month period.

This report deals with an application made by Richmond Gateway Theatre (the "Applicant") for more than two applications in a twelve-month period to temporarily amend their Liquor Primary Licence #103637 for the dates;

June 23, 2011; October 7, 2011; November 11, 2011; December 16, 2011 and February 10, 2012.

Analysis

The Applicant currently holds Liquor Primary Licence #103637, which permits them to serve liquor in areas of the theatre which have been approved by LCLB between the hours of 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. Monday to Saturday and Sunday 11:00 a.m. to Midnight.

The Applicant has submitted an LCLB application to temporarily extend the area where liquor can be served to facilitate private receptions for opening night performances on March 11, April 8, October 7, November 11, December 16, 2011 and February 10, 2012. The receptions will begin at 10 p.m. and end by 1:00 a.m. and expect to host 200 people.

The application also includes a request for June 23rd, 2011, to host a fund raising reception for the Gateway Theatre Society. The reception will be held from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. with 200 people expected to attend.

In processing the application, the LCLB requires the City to review and submit floor plans showing the extended service areas and stamp them for occupant load. Floor plans were received and stamped by the Plans Division of the City on March 3, 2011.

These opening night celebrations and fund raising events have been held in past years under a special occasion liquor licence. LCLB now requires that these temporary events be approved under a Temporary Liquor Amendment application.

The Chief Licence Inspector has already provided a no objection comment to LCLB for the dates March 11 and April 8, 2011 and is recommending Council provide a letter to LCLB in support for the remaining dates.

Financial Impact

None

Conclusion

The Richmond Gateway Theatre has been responsibly hosting private receptions for their opening night performances without incident. Councils supporting comments will have a positive influence on LCLB to approve this application.

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