

# **Report to Committee**

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To:

General Purposes Committee

Date:

November 25, 2013

From:

W. Glenn McLaughlin

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Chief Licence Inspector & Risk Manager

Re:

Spirit Hospitality Inc., doing business as

Milltown Bar and Grill 9191 Bentley Street

#### Staff Recommendation

That a resolution from Council be sent to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch advising them that:

Richmond City Council does not wish to provide comments or recommendations to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch with regard to the application submitted by Spirit Hospitality Inc., doing business as Milltown Bar and Grill, on a Food Primary liquor licence with the operating hours of Monday to Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.

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#### **Staff Report**

## Origin

The Provincial Liquor Control and Licensing Branch (LCLB) issues licenses in accordance with the Liquor Control and Licensing Act and the Regulations made pursuant to the Act. Local Governments are given an opportunity to either provide comments or recommendations to the LCLB with respect to liquor licence applications and amendments, or to opt out of providing comment.

Whether the City chooses to comment or opt out, the Liquor regulations require a resolution of Council be provided.

This report recommends a resolution of Council *to opt out* of providing a comment on a Food Primary Liquor Licence application received from Spirit Hospitality Inc. (the "Applicant"), operating as Milltown Bar and Grill, located at 9191 Bentley Street, Richmond, BC. The Applicant has applied to LCLB to licence a 120 seat (62 interior and 58 exterior) capacity restaurant with the operating hours of 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Monday to Sunday.

Local Government would not usually be asked to provide comment on a Food Primary Liquor Licence application, however; this applicant proposes serving hours past midnight and to have patron participation in the form of music (D.J. or live) which calls for local government consideration.

## **Analysis**

Bentley Street is located on Richmond Island in the North Arm of the Fraser River with services including Community Safety, provided by the City of Richmond. The island is under the ownership of the Port Authority with vehicle and pedestrian access obtained through the City of Vancouver (Attachment 1).

The Port Authority has leased the land for a development that will cater to the needs of the boating community. There are three buildings on the island that can accommodate dry boat storage, repairs and maintenance, moorage, sales of boats as well as the subject restaurant that has the potential to become a neighborhood pub operation.

Richmond's process in providing a local government comment would be to solicit comments from the neighboring community, using advertising and letters to residents and businesses in a 50 meter radius of the establishment.

Given the location of the premise between two channels of the Fraser River, the airport to the south and an industrial complex over 100 meters to the north in Vancouver, it is not expected to cause noise or community concerns. Richmond RCMP did not see a problem with a licensed restaurant at this location.

The City of Richmond consulted with the Deputy Chief Licence Inspector of Vancouver who advised that as the location is not within the jurisdiction of the Vancouver Police Department,

In the absence of any comment from Local Government, the LCLB may require the applicant to conduct their own public process.

# **Financial Impact**

None

### Conclusion

That a Council resolution be sent to LCLB advising that the City of Richmond does not wish to comment on the Food Primary Liquor Licence application from Spirit Hospitality Inc., doing business as Milltown Bar and Grill.

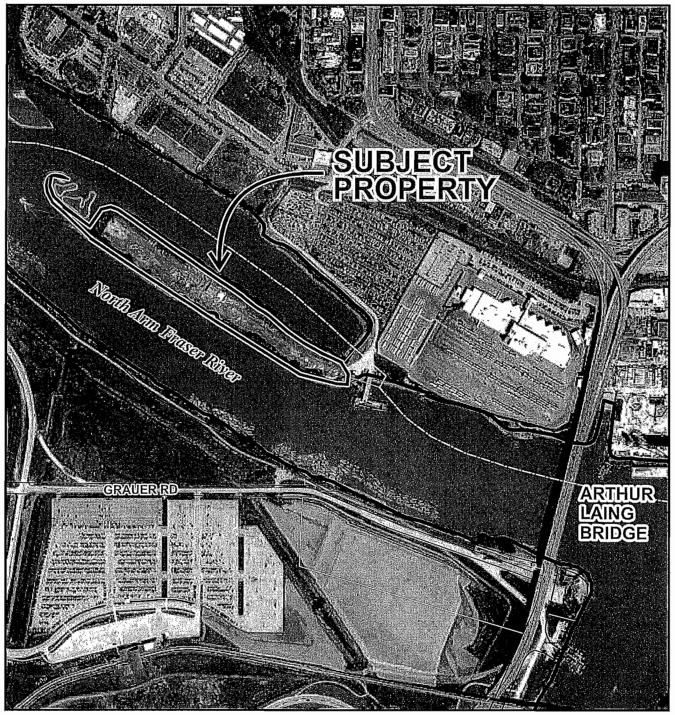
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Richmond Island 9191 Bentley Street

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