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LCRB Application Fernwood Inn 1302 Gladstone Avenue

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE | April 17, 2025



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LCRB Application Change from Food Primary to Liquor Primary

Fernwood Inn at 1302 Gladstone Avenue

186-person occupant load

Hours from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. daily



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Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB)

LCRB regulates service of liquor at:

- Restaurants
- Bars
- Pubs
- Retailers
- Manufacturers
- Special Events


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LCRB Approvals

Based on:

- Criminal Background Checks
 - Local Government
 - Municipal Input
 - Public Input
 - Occupant Load Approvals
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- Potential for noise
 - Potential for impact on the community

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Local Government

- Staff Review
 - Police, Bylaw, Planning, Business and Community Relations and Engineering
 - Zoning regulation, liquor policy and the Liquor Licencing Fee Bylaw
- Public Notification and Comment
 - Notice Posted at entrance to establishment
 - Mailed Notice to within 100m of establishment
 - 30 days to provide comment
- Local Government provides a resolution with comment on:
 - Potential for Noise
 - Potential for Impact on the Community

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LCRB Application

	EXISTING	PROPOSED
Licence Type	Food Primary Licence	Liquor Primary Licence
Occupant Load	186 people	186 people (no change)
Hours	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. every day	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. every day (no change)

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Staff Review and Public Comment

- Impact Assessment
 - The application would align the business model with the appropriate licence type
 - No noise impacts anticipated with the change from Food Primary to Liquor Primary
 - No change proposed to the hours or occupant load
- Public Comment
 - Letters were sent to 280 owners and occupants
 - In response, four letters were received: two were opposed and two were supportive
 - The Fernwood Community Association confirmed they have no concerns with the application

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Recommendation

That Council direct staff to notify the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch that Council supports the application of Fernwood Inn, located at 1302 Gladstone Avenue, for a new liquor primary licence with an occupant load of 186 people and hours of licenced service from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. daily.

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