

Ryan Morhart

From: Aria Health and Wellness Clinic [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, June 10, 2018 8:03 PM
To: Ryan Morhart
Subject: 1415 Broad St

Amar & Emma Sandhu
404-610 Johnson St
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Attention:

Manager, Permits & Inspections
Sustainable Planning and Community Development Department
1 Centennial Square
Victoria, BC
V8W 1P6

Dear Manager, Permits & Inspections,

This letter is in regards to an application for a primary liquor licence at 1415 Broad St (Victoria Event Center). We are writing this letter in **opposition** of granting a primary liquor licence to the Victoria Event Center. We live within 100 meter radius of the venue and on every occasion that an event is held at this location the noise level throughout the night is unacceptable. We understand that bars and pubs operate in the downtown area however, we are unable to hear noise from any of the other locations. The noise (music & patrons) from the events center can be heard until closing time within our unit as if we were at the actual venue ourselves. The venue has a regular practice of keeping its windows open which also allows for the sound travel. In the year that we have lived at our current location we have not been able to hear noise from Paparazzi night club or Saint Franks which operate every night of the week and are also within 100 meter radius. Also without a liquor licence present there have been many incidents outside of the event center with crowds forming and fights ensuing. On many occasions we have seen police cars at the location. With a liquor licence the rate for this would only increase. We hope that Permits and Inspections department will strongly consider our opposition of this permit.

Thank you for your time,

Amar & Emma Sandhu



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From: Cherry Bomb Toys [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2018 1:14 PM
To: Ryan Morhart
Subject: RE: Application for Permanent Change to a Liquor License for 1415 Belleville aka Victoria Event Centre

Hi there,

I received a letter today for the change in liquor license times for the Victoria Event Centre. On the letter it said 1415 Belleville but I think you meant to put Broad Street.

As a business and a resident who lives across from the Victoria Event Centre and Paparazzi (Nightclub next door), I must say it gets really loud on the street. We don't really care about the extend of hours as the nightclub next door also closes at 2pm, but we do care about when people are outside the front of the places smoking and hanging around. People are loud, use our entrances as toilets, stash bottles, etc. I know they can't seem to control their patrons behavior outside but maybe bars should have door people outside at all times? I think bar patrons forget that people live on top of businesses downtown?

Thanks so much and talk to you soon,
Candice

Ryan Morhart,
Licensing & Inspections
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Dear Ryan,

Re: Permanent Change to a Liquor Primary License – 1415 Broad Street (Victoria Event Centre)

As the President of the Danzo Group of Companies I represent the interests of the Hotel Rialto in the above noted matter. The Hotel Rialto is located directly behind the Event Centre and within the 100 meter radius. We currently share a Good Neighbour Agreement with the Event Centre and have not experienced any significant issues with them over the years.

We support their application to extend their hours of service to 9:00 a.m to 2:00 a.m daily.

Sincerely,
Eric Donald
President, Danzo Group of Companies



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Manager Bylaw and Licensing c/o Legislative Services
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June 23, 2018

Re: Liquor Primary Licence – Change of Operating Hours – Victoria Event Centre.

Dear Manager Bylaw and Licensing,

The DRA Land Use Committee has reviewed the proposed Liquor Licence changes for the Victoria Event Centre

In the last few years, Downtown residents have raised several concerns regarding noise from patrons leaving Liquor service establishments in the late hours. There are risks associated with constructing residential units in close proximity to a late night Liquor establishments and opening new Liquor outlets or extending hours of operation of existing operations near residential units. With this particular application there are adjacent residential buildings and two hotels that have benefitted from the currently permitted hours of operation and potentially may lose “quiet enjoyment” as a result of approval of this application.

Members of the Land Use Committee have reviewed the application. Feedback from the committee is as follows:

- This establishment provides a much appreciated service to the community and does not operate every night which reduces the amount of public nuisance that will be generated by this operation.
- The VEC States in their application letter that for many events they restrict hours of service voluntarily to “ensure responsible service, reduce potential neighbourhood

nuisance" so the application to operate until 2:00 am 7 days a week may produce results contrary to these statements.

- There have been incompatibilities recognized between residences/hotels and licensed establishments with late night opening hours for liquor service in other locations within the downtown.
- The proposed changes to the licence will be permanent and will carry the approved hours of operation through any future changes in ownership or operator. The proposed hours of operation will make the licence marketable/leasable as a nightclub operating daily if the Event Centre ever ceased to operate under its current structure. This is likely not a desirable outcome in this location as it is in close proximity to residences that would be highly affected by operations until 2:00 am every day.

The DRA has a history of supporting proposals of all kinds that will bring vitality and vibrancy to our neighbourhood. The VEC has been part of this vibrancy and the DRA wishes to support its viability moving forward. In balancing these goals with the potential impacts, the proposed Licence under the current operations as an event center is supportable, however the DRA LUC cautions that a change of operations until 2:00 am will certainly be problematic/undesirable especially if it is operated at those hours on a daily basis. The DRA LUC recommends that the proposed hours of operation be amended to limit the proposed 2:00 am closing to Thursday, Friday and Saturday only, in order to discourage any eventual conversion to daily or a nightclub use.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Sutherland', with a stylized, cursive script.

Ian Sutherland
Chair Land Use Committee
Downtown Residents Committee