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RE: LL000287 Clarke and Co. | 1002 Blanshard Street

Clarke & Co, at the corner of Blanshard and Broughton, is a relatively small, food-primary operation.

The application seeks to increase the liquor service hours from midnight until 1am. The application does not seek to increase the number of liquor seats.

Any time hours of liquor operations are extended later into the evening, and into the highest call-volume times for the police department, VicPD has concerns about the incremental effect on our ability to provide adequate service to the downtown core.

VicPD is already heavily reliant on the Late Night Task Force to keep a lid on liquor-related disorder and calls for service, as the existing minimum general uniform duty numbers have not seen an increase in at least 15 years.

As for comments on whether the change in hours would result in the licensee operating contrary to the primary purpose, questions would need to be asked as to atffing and availability of food service during the later hours proposed. We are not in a position to comment on those particular realities of the food service industry late at night – but there seems to be a sense that as the hours extend, food service diminishes.

Again, it's difficult to predict the effects that this individual application for extended hours would have, but again it's the incremental effect. For this reason, VicPD could not 'support' an extension of the liquor service hours.



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