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Subject:

RE: LL000295 Vancouver Island Brewing Lounge Endorsement | 2330 Government Street

The application from Vancouver Island Brewing for a lounge endorsement proposes a 86 seat licensed area for the hours of 9am to 11pm.

Generally speaking, this type of licence/application is of lower concern than most other licence applications – particularly when considering the proposed hours.

The physical location of the Brewery and the proposed lounge is favorable for the applicant as the immediate area could be described as rather quiet in the evening hours. There are residential units across the street at Government and Bay, but the remainder of the neighboring properties are either commercial or industrial.

In comparison to other similar operations and hours, these hours seem reasonable (a similar operation a few blocks away closes at 10pm every day – a location where VicPD has not seen any increase to liquor calls for service or other anecdotal impacts on the neighbourhood). VicPD's primary concern are when these liquor seats run into the late night hours.

VicPD has opposed other lounge endorsement applications where the property was immediately adjacent to existing residential units, or pending residential developments.

This application does not appear to have either competing scenario.

While VicPD is not in a position to 'support' an application where liquor seats are increased, the impacts of this application/licence on the immediate neighbourhood appear minimal, and impact on VicPD resources would in all likelihood be minimal.



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