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Taxpayer August 21, 2021 11:36 AM Ryan Morhart Cenote Restaurant: Change of Hours of Liquor Service

Dear Manager, Permits & Inspections, Sustainable Planning and Community Development Department (City of Victoria):

Thank you for your notice dated July 15, 2021 regarding the application for a change of hours of liquor service for the Cenote Restaurant and Lounge, located at 768 Yates St.. The restaurant wants to extend the hours of licensed service to one hour later each night. We are strongly opposed to this application and request that you vote to reject it.

We are part owners of a residence at 760 Johnson Street, which is within 100 meters of the abovementioned restaurant. Our son lives in the residence at 760 Johnson. We feel that allowing liquor to be sold an extra hour later would adversely affect personal safety, security of property, and public order, for residents in the area. It also may indirectly reduce the value of our property if safety and public disorder concerns increase.

An article in the Times Colonist on August 1, 2021 reported that Victoria Police were so overwhelmed during an impaired driving roadblock on a recent Sunday morning that they had to shut down after only two hours. They did not have enough personnel to handle the number of impaired drivers. Here is the link to the article: <u>With more impaired drivers than officers can handle</u>, <u>Victoria police shut</u> roadblock down early | <u>Times Colonist</u> The article mentions that the majority of impounded cars were from Yates as well as Wharf Streets. Please do not exasperate this problem by extending the hours of liquor service to this establishment on Yates Street. Victoria City Police already have too many impaired driving incidents to properly handle without extending the licensed hours of the Cenote Restaurant and Lounge.

May I remind you that your Downtown Core Area Plan (updated June 2020), under Section 9 Community Vitality states the following: *"9.10. Work with the Victoria Police Department and community partners to improve personal safety, security of property and public order within the Downtown Core Area"*. We believe that keeping licensed service hours shorter rather than longer better contributes to improving personal safety, security and public order. Please vote to reject the application by Cenote Restaurant and Lounge.

Sincerely, Jeff and Sheryl St.Gelais Part owners of 204-760 Johnson Street, Victoria, BC

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From: Sent: To: Subject: marcia freeman July 30, 2021 12:15 PM Ryan Morhart application to change hours of liquor service 768 yates St

Hi

I am writing in respect to Cenote Restaurant & Lounge. I am the owner of a property at 728 Yates street which is next to Cenote Restaurant & Lounge and am writing to object to the request for the change in the hours of operation to 1am Sunday-Thursday & Friday, Saturday to 2am. My concern is noise of customers leaving at a very late hour creating more noise and disturbance if inebriated and being a nuisance causing disturbance in the area.

I object to this request.

Sincerely Marcia Freeman unit 907-728 Yates St

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Mathieu P July 21, 2021 6:50 PM Ryan Morhart Change to liquor service /Cenote

Hi! I'm ok with the new proposed liquor hours for Cenote, for as long as service is indoors and in the event they add an outdoor patio, they close said patio by 11pm Monday through Sunday, so that we can sleep peacefully.

Mathieu Pelletier 420-759 Yates, Victoria

Sent from my Huawei phone