Letter of Intent – Liquor Primary

FOD Cocktail Lounge Victoria Inc.

537 Johnson St. Victoria, BC V8W1M2

FOD Cocktail Lounge Victoria Inc. currently runs under a "Food Primary" License #308406. We are requesting changing our licensing to Liquor Primary.

The primary focus of our business is to supply the LGBTQS+ community with a safe space welcoming to all – we have a full-service kitchen and full dinner program available. We serve wine, beer, spirits, and cocktails. Our hours of operation are from 10:00 am – midnight Monday through Sunday serving breakfast, brunch, lunch, happy hour and dinner. We provide many groups of people with a safe space to come and enjoy. We provide local talent of the queer and allied community from bands to drag shows to comedians to first time performers offering a stage to perform on.

Our food is a combination of breakfast, brunch, happy hour, light bites, small plates, large plates, and hot entrées.

Food:

- Breakfast/Brunch including a selection of eggs, potatoes, waffles, toast, coffee, tea
- Full restaurant menu including charcutier board, fries, cauliflower bites, Mediterranean platter, beef Ragu dinner etc.

Neighbourhood:

The neighbourhood is comprised of retail, restaurants, cafes and limited residential (owner lives upstairs). Potential noise would be from patrons in covered patio area whoever primarily vacated by 11:00 - midnight. Measures taken to ensure nearby residences are not disturbed include but are not limited to:

- Enclosed patio
- Music volume reduced at 11:00
- Doors closed at all time
- No outdoor speaker
- Hire additional security on busier night to ensure no lingering our loud patrons

Summary:

Since our opening, we have had a commitment to diversity and inclusion. We provide a safe space for people of all ages and culture including the LGBTQIA+ Community. Dorothy's offers a space where there is a shared emotional connection among patrons. It's always great when you have allies in the space because that's a moment of celebration (it's what we've all stived so many years to achieve), that we all are coming together to really acknowledge and experience and really celebrate each other as people.

We collaborate with many types of entertainers, which adds to the atmosphere and supports all groups. As a result of all this, people gravitate to our establishment to take advantage of the social atmosphere and to contribute their own capital to our growing network. We have implemented a diverse hiring practice and more opportunities for LGBTQIA+ staff members to take up leadership roles. We actively and vigilantly continue to work on ourselves and our processes every day (we have currently hired a full-time human resources professional to encompass, celebrate and protect the diversity of our communities).

Having a liquor primary license would enable us to have more flexibility with our events and add more events that encourage community attendance and participation. It will assist us in our efforts to create a culture that welcomes and celebrates diversity. Queer spaces have always been hidden in basement or alleys in fear of repercussion. WE have created a space that is main street and welcoming to all without fears of who you are. Dorothy's provides an escape from pervasive prejudice where all people can carve out a space of their own.

We would like to request a liquor primary with family foodservice that allows us to serve all ages including minors, from 10:00 am - 9:00 pm. After 9:00 pm we would switch to serving age of majority only. This will encourage our philosophy of inclusiveness to all ages offering a safe space for everyone. Having a friendly eatery has created a great place for gathering without fear of harassment or discrimination.

The way Dorothy's has been received is because our craft cocktails are between \$15-\$18 named after and featuring the Wizard of Oz. Our food ranges from \$10-\$18 for appetizers and entrees. The price of the cocktails compared to food tips the scales to the alcohol sales. Music is geared around a 70/80's disco theme and people come in to enjoy cocktails with their food.

Because we are focussing on the queer community, however we cater to everyone, we find it necessary to apply for this license.



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Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch

Food Primary #308406

Expires on June 30, 2022

Establishment Name: Friends of Dorothy Breakfast, Brunch & Lounge (308406)
Licence Name: Friends of Dorothy Breakfast, Brunch & Lounge (308406)

Location Address: 537 Johnson St

VICTORIA, B.C., V8W1M2

Issued to: FOD COCKTAIL LOUNGE VICTORIA INC.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

HOURS OF SALE

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Start	09:00	09:00	09:00	09:00	09:00	09:00	09:00
End	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:00

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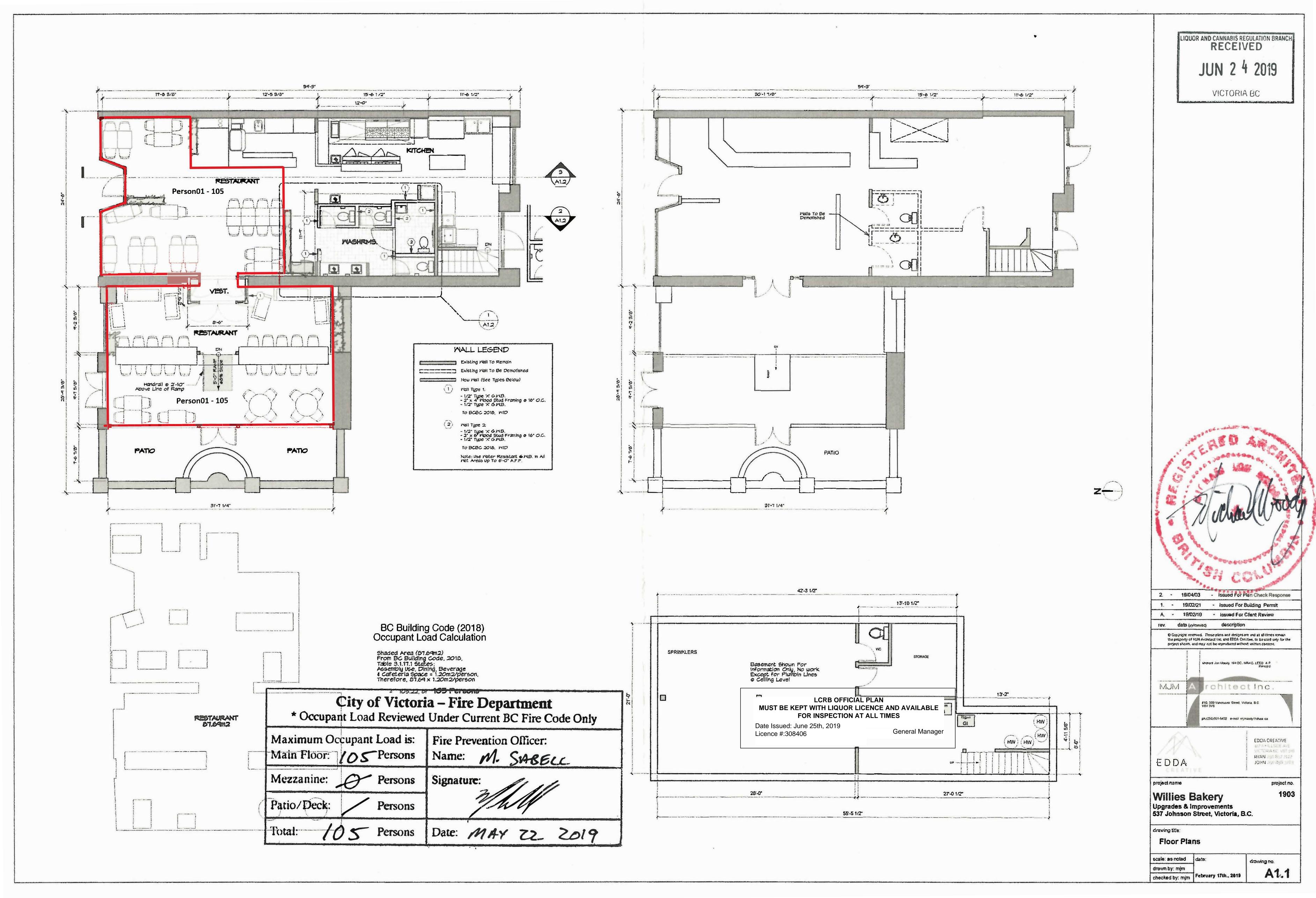
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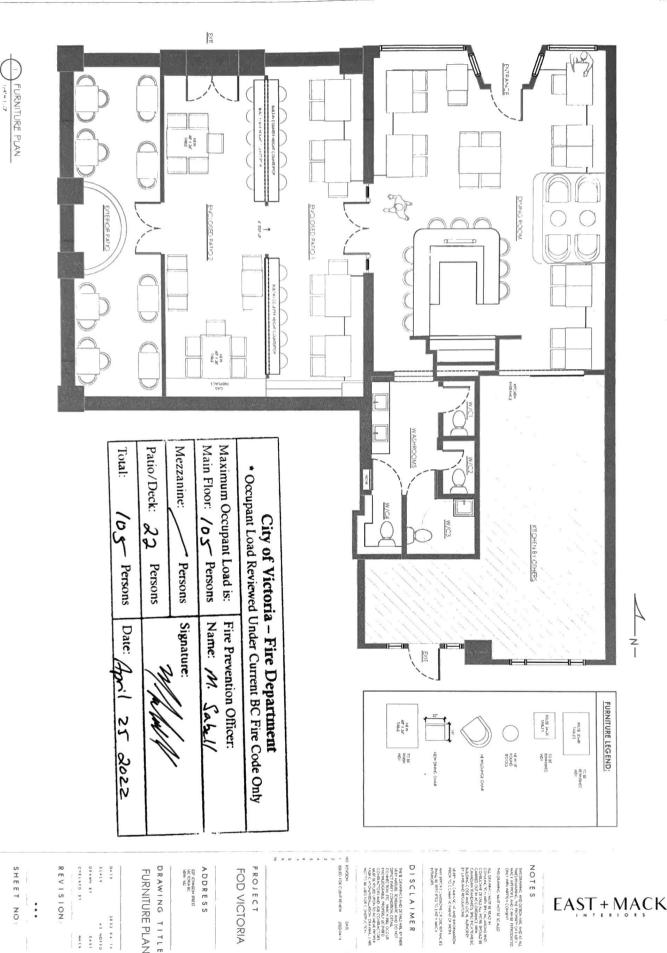
- The terms and conditions to which this licence is subject include the terms and conditions contained in the licensee Terms and Conditions Handbook, which is available on the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch website. The Terms and Conditions Handbook is amended from time to time.
- For the sale and consumption of all types of liquor in establishments with a primary focus on the service of food.
- Liquor may only be sold, served and consumed within the service areas outlined on the official plan, unless otherwise endorsed or approved by the LCRB

YOUR CURRENT VALID LICENCE MUST BE PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED AT ALL TIMES. TAMPERING, ALTERING OR DEFACING THIS LICENCE IN ANY MANNER MAY RESULT IN THE LICENCE BEING CANCELLED.

Licence issued by the General Manager under the authority of the Liquor Control and Licensing Act.

Licence Printed: January 25, 2022





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