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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 64  
COUNCIL MEETING 91/11/04

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER 1991 OCTOBER 30

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

SUBJECT: LIQUOR LICENCE APPLICATION #7/91  
PROPOSED ENTERTAINMENT IN CLASS "B" RESTAURANT  
6731 AND 6743 KINGSWAY (REFER TO ATTACHED SKETCH)

PURPOSE: To seek Council approval for the subject liquor licence application.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1) THAT Council resolve to approve the request for a Karaoke area within Mr. Munchies Restaurant at 6731/6743 Kingsway, with the operating hours of 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Tuesday to Sunday.
- 2) THAT a copy of this report and Council's resolution be forwarded to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch, #217-1899 Willingdon Avenue, Burnaby, B.C. - V5C 5T1, and the applicant, Mr. Ken Soderman, 1101 - 6th Avenue, New Westminster, B.C. - V3M 2B7

**R E P O R T**

**1.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

1.1 On 1990 April 30, Council received a report from the Planning and Building Department regarding a change in Liquor Control and Licensing Branch policy regarding entertainment in Class "B" restaurants, including establishing a number of standards to control the type and scale of entertainment permitted. As part of the new regulations, local government approval is a pre-condition for Branch consideration of entertainment in a restaurant.

The report also stated that in consideration of the past practice of reporting to Council on all requests for local government approval or comments on liquor licence applications, and the potential impact Class "B" restaurants with significant entertainment features could have on adjacent neighbourhoods, this Department would, unless otherwise directed, report to Council on all applications for local government approval for entertainment in restaurants.

At that time, Council adopted the recommendation to receive the report for information purposes.

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**2.0 GENERAL DISCUSSION:**

2.1 Mr. Munchies Restaurant occupies a one-storey commercial building on Kingsway, which is sited near the front property line. Other low density commercial buildings are located to the east and west along Kingsway and a B.C. Hydro substation is to the south. Older small single-family dwellings are located to the north across the lane. The dwellings are in an RM3 Multiple Family Residential District zoned area and are non-conforming.

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2.2 The subject liquor licence application involves a request to establish a Karaoke area within Mr. Munchies Restaurant, which has a Class "B" liquor licence. Karaoke is a concept in entertainment in which diners sing in the designated Karaoke area, with recorded music playing in the background. The Karaoke area will be located at the front of the restaurant, facing Kingsway.

There are a number of doors and windows on the north side of the building facing the lane, however, none are open on a regular basis and the doors are not utilized by restaurant patrons, but are servicing and emergency exit doors. The proposed hours of operation for the Karaoke area are 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Tuesday to Sunday. The applicant has indicated that the Karaoke will operate only two nights per week at this time, but that he may wish to extend the number of nights per week at a later date.

2.3 The Planning and Building Department has solicited comments on this application from relevant Municipal Departments, including the R.C.M.P. Burnaby Detachment. No Municipal Departments have expressed any concerns or objections to the establishment of an entertainment area in the existing Class "B" restaurant at this location.

**3.0 CONCLUSION:**

3.1 In light of the limited activity involved with Karaoke entertainment, the proposed Karaoke area to be located at the front of the restaurant on Kingsway and the lack of any objections to the application by the pertinent Municipal Departments, the Planning and Building Department supports the subject application for Karaoke in the Class "B" restaurant.

  
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Attach.

c.c. Chief Public Health Inspector  
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