TO:

CITY MANAGER

1997 JANUARY 29

FROM:

DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

SUBJECT:

LIQUOR LICENCE APPLICATION #1/97

ENTERTAINMENT IN PROPOSED CLASS "B" RESTAURANT

THE STINKING ROSE ITALIAN RESTAURANT

2830 BAINBRIDGE AVENUE (SEE ATTACHED SKETCH)

PURPOSE:

To seek Council approval for the subject liquor licence application.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT Council resolve to approve the request for an entertainment area within The Stinking Rose Italian Restaurant, with the operating hours of 5:00 p.m. 10 p.m. Sunday to Thursday and 5:00 p.m. 12:00 midnight Friday and Saturdays, subject to the restaurant doors being kept closed during the entertainment.
- THAT a copy of this report and Council's resolution be forwarded to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch, 101 - 9180 King George Highway, Surrey, B.C. V3V 5V9; and the applicant Nadine Kotelko, 1726 Hamilton Street, New Westminster, B.C. V3A 3W7.

REPORT

1.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

1.1 On 1990 April 30, Council received a report advising that, as part of a change in Liquor Control & Licensing Branch regulations, local government approval is a pre-condition for Branch consideration of entertainment in a licensed restaurant.

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

2.0 GENERAL DISCUSSION:

2.1 The subject site is located at the north-east corner of Bainbridge Avenue and Lougheed Highway and is occupied by a low scale commercial development, including a restaurant which operated as B.B. Belton's Restaurant for a number of years.

The restaurant has been vacant for several months and the applicant intends to reopen a Class"B" licensed restaurant this month. A gas station and a low density townhouse development are located across Bainbridge Avenue to the west, with another low density townhouse development to the east. The remainder of the commercial development is to the south of the restaurant, with a gas station across Lougheed Highway, while there is a private driveway to the townhouses and a vacant property to the north.

- The applicant is proposing to have piano playing to accompany dining from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., up to seven days a week. The piano would be located in the middle of the restaurant. The applicant is also proposing to utilize a small dance area within the solarium facing Bainbridge Avenue from 9:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight on Friday and Saturdays, which would also be accompanied by piano playing.
- 2.3 The subject site is located at the intersection of Lougheed Highway and Bainbridge Avenue, the former is a designated Primary Arterial and the latter a designated Major Collector. Therefore the ambient traffic noise is expected to greatly exceed any possible noise from the entertainment. Adjacent land uses are well separated from the restaurant and the nearest residences, across Bainbridge Avenue, are well buffered from the restaurant.
- The Planning and Building Department has solicited comments on this application from relevant City Departments, including the R.C.M.P., Burnaby Detachment. No City Departments have expressed any objections to the entertainment in the proposed Class "B" licensed restaurant. However, the Chief Environmental Health Officer advises that the doors to the restaurant must be kept closed during the entertainment.

3.0 CONCLUSION:

In light of the minor nature of the entertainment, the location of the restaurant relative to adjacent land uses and major traffic thoroughfares and the lack of objections to the application, the Planning and Building Department supports the subject application for entertainment in the proposed Class "B" licensed restaurant.

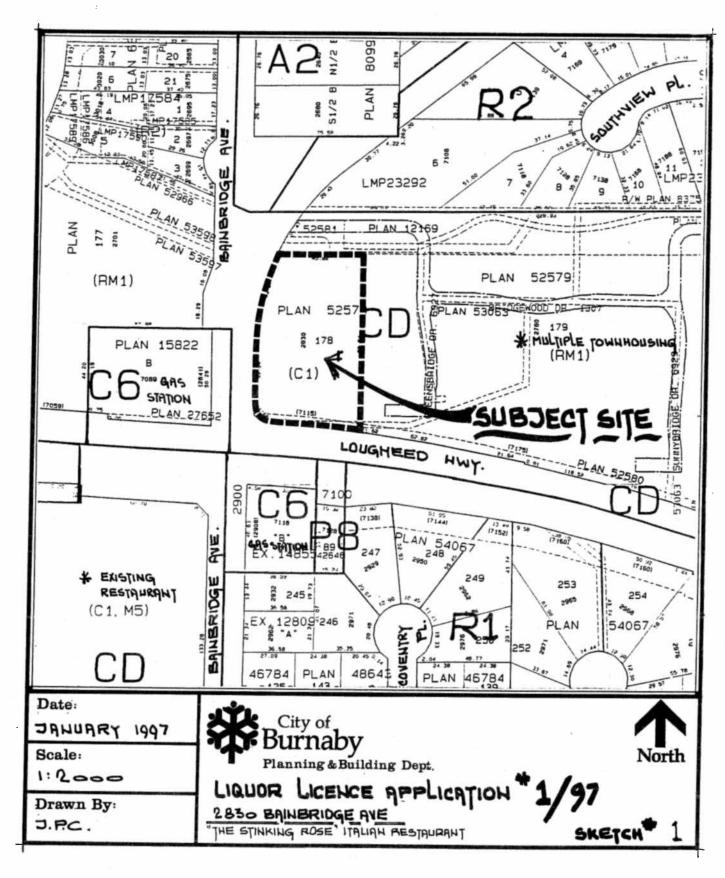
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