



Staff Report

Planning & Development Services – By-law

Report To: Special Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: October 3, 2016
Report Number: PDS.16.122
Subject: Bridges Tavern Noise By-law Exemption Request – 27 Bridge St. East
Prepared by: Sharon Long, Admin. Ass. Planning & Development Services

A. Recommendations

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.16.122 “Bridges Tavern Noise By-law Exemption Request – 27 Bridge St. East”; and

THAT Council provide direction to staff with respect to their request to permit noise until 11:00 p.m. as follows:

Saturday October 15, 2016 for an Oktoberfest event in a tent in the backyard from noon to 11:00 p.m. There will be music under the tent and the speakers would face the existing Bridges building to help reduce the transfer of noise to the neighbours.

B. Overview

Bridges Tavern is requesting relief from the Noise By-law to run an Oktoberfest event on Saturday October 15, 2016 from noon to 11:00 p.m.

C. Background

The Town is in receipt of a request from the Operator of the subject premises for relief from the provisions of the Noise By-law (Attachment #1) on October 15, 2016 for an Oktoberfest event in a tent in the backyard from noon to 11:00 p.m. There will be music under the tent and the speakers would face the existing Bridges building to help reduce the transfer of noise of the neighbours. There will be a charity component to this event as well.

By-law Enforcement did not receive any complaints in 2015 and nothing so far in 2016.

Section 3 e) of the Noise By-law permits the making of noises or sounds related to the non-residential use of land permitted by a by-law enacted by the municipality pursuant to the applicable Zoning By-law from 07:00 to 19:00.

It is noted that outdoor events in themselves outside of 07:00 to 19:00 are not prohibited. The making of noise is prohibited in the instance where such events are likely to disturb the peace, quiet, comfort or repose of any inhabitant.

In accordance with the procedures set out in our Police & Procedures for Noise By-law Relief Requests, the single family dwellings only within 60 metres were circulated. This is to confirm that no responses were received to this request.

D. Analysis

Bridges Tavern has had a number of Noise By-law Relief Requests in the past with no complaints being received from the neighbours.

E. The Blue Mountains Strategic Plan

Goal #1: Create Opportunities for Sustainability

F. Environmental Impacts

N/A

G. Financial Impact

N/A

H. In consultation with

Greg Miller, Manager Building & By-law Services

I. Attached

I.1 Copy of the request for Noise By-law Relief Request.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Planning and Development Services

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Subject: noise by law relief for Bridges Tavern on Oct.15.16
Date: September-22-16 1:09:40 PM
Attachments: [REDACTED]

Hi Sharon,

As we discussed we would like to apply for relief of the Noise By Law for Saturday October 15, 2016 at Bridges Tavern.

We would like to hold a community Oktoberfest event in a tent in the backyard of Bridges which would run from noon -11pm and would have music under the tent for the duration. The speakers for the music would face the existing Bridges building to help reduce transfer to the neighbors.

I look forward to your feedback.

Thank-you!

Best regards,

Bruce Turner



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