



Memo

TO: Clerk's Office

FROM: Kristen Knudskov, Planner

DATE: June 9, 2020

RE: Request from Island Folk Cider House to amend the Secondary Planning Strategy and Development Agreement to permit serving of alcoholic beverages produced off-site at 52 Nepean Street, Sydney (PID 15889330)

Additional submissions for the public hearing have been received regarding the above noted amendment application (Case 1067).

Could the attached please be circulated to Council for their consideration.

Kristen R. Knudskov

From: Sharon MacSween [REDACTED]
Sent: June 5, 2020 1:53 PM
To: PlanningConsult
Cc: Eldon MacDonald
Subject: Island Folk Cider House - Public Hearing Submission

Good afternoon,

I wanted to write in favour of the proposed amendments to the North End Sydney Secondary Planning Strategy and Land Use Bylaw and Development Agreement regarding the Island Folk Cider House, that will be before Council on June 9.

Please know that I have been residing in the North End for 20 years and own my property, living 0.5 km from the Nepean Street site. I have a young family and work in Downtown Sydney.

It is my understanding that the Applicant is presently permitted to brew and serve alcoholic beverages produced at their site at the 52 Nepean Street. The request keeps in line with their present product and service but to offer the same and other beverage products produced by another off site. I would like to believe that approving the request presented is also a form of encouragement to expand their business in our community.

I believe that this business adds positively to the variety of services offered in the North End and I am always excited to hear of new developments and growth in our community that is needed.

My opinion is that people enhance our community. Landscape, streetscapes and structures contribute to physical character. This business adds diversity to the character of our North End and will serve as a location that will draw tourists into the North End community, particularly those visiting during cruise season.

Respectfully I feel the importance to additionally make comment that extending the proposed business to allow them to serve additional off site produced wine and beer at their establishment is not going to increase drinking and driving instances in the area. This would be an unfortunate choice to be made by an individual.

As a last point that is external to the this amendment and development agreement, but is relevant to Nepean Street, while I favour active transportation and pedestrian traffic particularly to this street, the street itself does not have a full sidewalk on either side beyond the establishment and New Dawn to travel the remaining stretch Southwest on the street. This would be value added infrastructure to the street not only for both Island Folk Cider House and New Dawn, but for area residents and tourists. The challenge is there appears to be no room for the construction on an already narrow one-way street.

Thank you for your time and the opportunity to provide you with my input and appreciate your consideration of the same during the Public Hearing for case 1067 Island Folk Cider House.

Kind regards,

Sharon MacSween

21 Cossitt Street, Sydney

Kristen R. Knudskov

From: Katie Boutilier [REDACTED]
Sent: June 5, 2020 1:48 PM
To: PlanningConsult
Subject: Planning strategy amendments

Good afternoon,

I would like to voice my support for the proposal to permit the serving of alcoholic beverages at the facilities in the North End Downtown Fringe Zone in Sydney. I feel that this will greatly add to our community and would compliment the recent developments happening in the downtown core.

Regards,
Katie Boutilier
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