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Greetings Mayor and Council-

Just a quick update on the survey we launched this morning. We already have 1,400 survey responses. Please do share the survey link with your networks.

Thanks Sadhu

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City launches online survey to gauge public opinion on liquor policies

Whether you're a non-drinker, enjoy the occasional glass of wine, or are a regular at your neighbourhood pub, the City of Vancouver wants to hear the opinions of residents and businesses for the first comprehensive review of its liquor policies.

An online questionnaire launches today at <u>vancouver.ca/liquor-review</u> to gather public views on how liquor is served, produced and sold in the city. The feedback will help shape the Vancouver Liquor Strategy which will inform new or revised approaches to liquor. The survey will be open until May 15, 2016.

The City is reviewing municipal liquor regulations so that enjoying beer, wine and spirits is well-balanced with health, safety and community fit. The Province of BC recently made changes to provincial liquor policies. The City is now looking at its policies too, such as:

- Where and when liquor is sold, made or served
- Size and type of venues that serve liquor
- Rules for liquor on patios
- Supporting no- or low-liquor entertainment options.

City staff will be at two upcoming <u>Pop-Up City Hall</u> events to answer questions about the liquor policy review and offer the opportunity for residents to complete a questionnaire.

Saturday, April 16, 2016, 10 am to 2 pm Nat Bailey Farmers Market 4601 Ontario Street

Sunday, April 17, 2016, 10 am to 2 pm Hastings Park Farmers Market 2901 East Hastings Street

Following the initial spring consultations with the public and stakeholders, staff will evaluate feedback and develop draft liquor policy options. After further consultation on the draft policy, final recommendations will be presented to Council for consideration.

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