

July 24, 2019

MEMO TO : Park Board Commissioners

FROM : Shauna Wilton

Deputy General Manager, Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT : Alcohol Sales at Concessions – 2019 Pilot

Dear Commissioners,

Further to the memo provided on May 14, 2019, I am writing to inform you of the launch of a limited three weekend pilot of alcohol sales at the Kitsilano Boathouse concession, beginning this coming weekend.

In October 2018, the Board approved assessing the feasibility of offering limited alcohol sales at select Park Board run concessions through an alcohol sales pilot at the English Bay Cactus Club and Kitsilano Beach Boathouse concessions. In collaboration with both operators, the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) and the City of Vancouver Liquor Licence Group have been engaged to review extending the operators' current licences to include the concession areas. This process is ongoing.

In the interim, to support the pilot and to test the feasibility of offering such services, our restaurant partners at the Boathouse located at Kitsilano Beach have applied to the LCRB for a temporary change to their licence that currently covers the inside portion of the restaurant to be extended to the food service concession and adjacent patio on the ground level (see Figure 1). This application has been approved by the LCRB and has been granted temporarily for three weekends: Jul 27 & 28, Aug 3 & 4, and Aug 10 & 11.

The temporary licence extension creates an indoor licensed area at the concession (maximum 47 people) and an outdoor patio licensed area in front of the concession (maximum 17 people), accommodating a total maximum of 64 people. The outdoor patio area will be delineated and secured by stanchions and has been reviewed and approved by the LCRB. Under the terms of the licence, people must remain in the designated areas with their alcohol and will not be able to leave these areas to consume alcohol on the beach or park.

The Boathouse plans to offer services during the concession's operating hours of 11:00am to 10:00pm. Liquor options will include beer, cider, and wine.

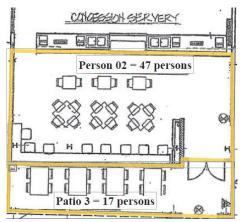


Figure 1 – Concession Licensed Areas

This is a temporary change to the current fulltime liquor licence held by the restaurant; as such the Boathouse will be fully responsible for ensuring all licensing regulations are met to the satisfaction of the LCRB. The Park Board has no responsibility regarding the liquor licence at the Boathouse Restaurant.



Our restaurant partner will closely monitor alcohol service provision over the next three weekends and will provide us with feedback on the process.

We are confident that this temporary licence extension will be instrumental in providing valuable information to help inform the Park Board's next steps regarding the feasibility of incorporating liquor sales at concessions in the future.

Regards,

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