

3/7/14

To: City of St. Paul,

Re: Entertainment B and Liquor outdoor Patio/Sidewalk Pending License applications

Schwietz Saloon & Eatery: 956 Payne Ave.

Dear Neighbors,

Letter of Good Faith Effort:

As part of the above license application process a physical neighborhood petition was circulated with marketing flyers to all properties within a 350' radius of 956 Payne Ave. St Paul, MN. All properties were physically visited 5 weekends in the summer and fall of 2013 at different times of the day and different days of the weekend to maximize different work shifts of residents in the neighborhood. The in-person response was very favorable for support of the entertainment B, liquor outdoor patio and sidewalks. To date the petition secured 52% of needed signatures.

The physical visits identified many vacant buildings, several non-English speaking family residents and properties that appeared to be vacant.

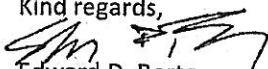
After many different physical attempts a mailing was sent directly to properties that did not have a chance to sign the physical petition. There were 9 response letters received favoring support of the licenses applications counted in the 52% of the 60% minimum signatures needed.

There were many residents excited to see Schwietz's re-open saying "long overdue", many were interested in the menu options, beer selections and event planning. A few residents outside the 350' needed radius from the subject property insisted on signing the support petition.

To date there are many inquiries for employment opportunities at Schwietz's as well as inquiries from local high schools to once again host class reunions at the historic Schwietz's

In order to further enhance the east side St. Paul community I ask the city officials and neighbors to support the pending license applications and invite all to come to the re-opening of this historic corner stone in the community.

Kind regards,



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