

Legislative Hearing Officer
310 City Hall
15 West Kellogg Blvd.
Saint Paul, MN 55102

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Subject: License No. 20160002228

To Whom it may Concern:

We are strongly objecting to the above referenced License Expansion to Add a Liquor-Outdoor Service Area (Patio) and Entertainment (B) Licenses to the existing License for the following reasons:

1. The Red River Kitchen trailer, when open for business, already extends into the walking path.
2. The limited availability of parking spaces.
3. The noise level (when the garage doors are open) with the present bean bag toss games, already echoes up Mill Street.
4. Additional music venues (disc jockey/band) could make living on the decks facing Mill St. unusable.
5. Large gatherings for weddings, etc. would require "port-a-potties" with no inconspicuous place to put them, creating smell and it would require additional days for placing and removing them.
6. Crowds of 100 and 200 people could be asking for injuries, as the walking path and the bike path are adjacent to the building (this area is known for its beautiful walking and biking paths and this will add congestion).
7. Unsightly garbage containers for large crowds (again, no place for the containers) and the noise of transportation, whether it be delivering or removing of garbage and garbage containers would be a nuisance to the residents (not to mention smell, mess and rodents).
8. Crowds attending the functions tend to wander and some will end up in our well-manicured lawns and gardens.
9. Delivery trucks have no easy access and therefore block traffic on the streets.
10. Security is an issue, along with police access and emergency vehicle access.

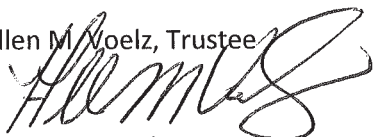
With the above objections and our strong desire to keep River Front Flats a robust residential neighborhood, this License Expansion will not be an asset. We moved here for the River views and peaceful life, without a dance hall /entertainment atmosphere!

Should you wish to discuss these issues with us, we are available at:

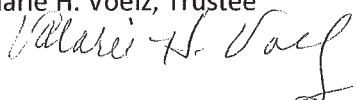
Phone: 651/493-9706
Cell: 612/741-0537

Respectfully submitted as trustees for 256 Spring Street Unit 222 St. Paul, MN 55102

Allen M. Voelz, Trustee



Valarie H. Voelz, Trustee



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To whom it may concern:

We are submitting this written objection regarding the pending license application for the patio expansion and Class B Entertainment licenses for City House on the river in Upper Landing Park.

Give the close proximity of this facility to our homes, with the addition of Red River Kitchen last year, even without the issuance of these license, as a homeowner we incurred the following unintended consequences of this operation at City House, they include:

1. Noise (coming from the facility given the doors are open and being on the water)
2. Traffic and parking issue (see photos attached)
3. Delivery truck congestion (see photos attached)
4. Security issue with intoxicated patrons lingering and trespassing in our courtyard which faces south.

With the licenses being granted this will only further exacerbated what already is a problem for us.

Also, despite the Parks & Rec deceptive communication practices the City has still failed to meet the 60% threshold for support on this application. They have walked our halls and gone door to door in an effort to get this support, they sent a mailing beyond the 350 ft radius of the facility and they still have failed to meet this burden but continue to indicate this is a benefit to the City will little regard for the impact it will have on our home. Some suggested a temporary "try"; I DO NOT AGREE. The issues remain the same.

Finally, despite our recent meeting with City staff it is become clear the City lacks the support and they have been unsuccessful in addressing the following benchmarks which are found in the ordinates language as criteria for approval:

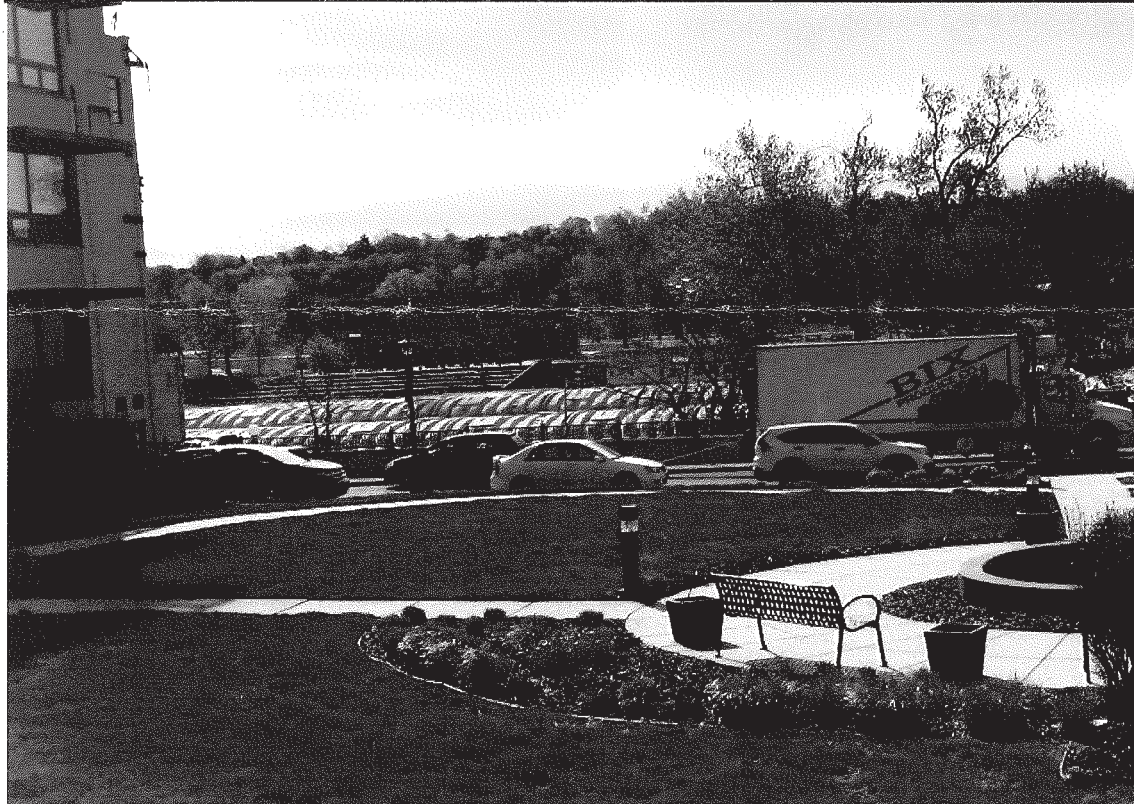
1. The effect on the surrounding community and institutions;
2. Noise and likelihood of adverse effect on residential occupants;
3. The possibility of increased traffic;
4. The character of the neighborhood;
5. Other like uses in the neighborhood.

We CANNOT AND DO NOT support either license application, the patio expansion or the Class B Entertainment for the above reason and we respectfully insist the City deny this request.

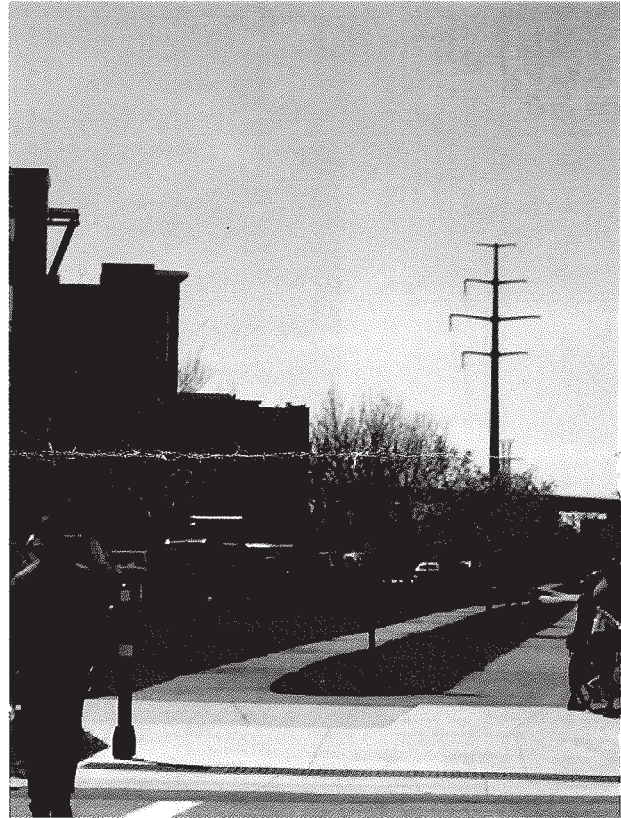
Cynthia Schanno
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Saturday, April 29:

HAMMS EVENT AT CITY HOUSE (First event of the season)
Market Double Parked for loading and unloading
and virtually no parking available all day from 6:30am to 6pm.

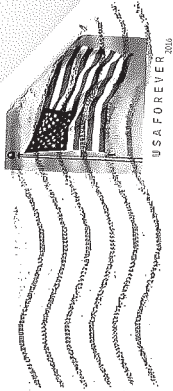


Spring Street and the parking lot on Chestnut and Sheppard at 1:30 that afternoon



May 4th at 3:30pm – Double parked, motors running blocking road constant throughout the day.





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PLEASE FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING

NAME: MARIE TALL CARPENTER
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 256 Spring Street Unit 117
PHONE NUMBER: 703-304-7784 St. Paul, MN 55102

 Saint Paul Parks and Recreation in their effort to obtain a liquor-outdoor service area (patio) license (which will only face the river-side) and Entertainment B license at City House.

 you are showing support of Saint Paul Parks and Recreation to obtain each license.

Liquor-Outdoor Service Area (Patio) License

SIGNED: Marie Carpenter

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Was asked by
our neighbor
to send this
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cc: Rebecca Noecker

re: City House (License No: 20160002228) - Application for:
1. Expanded Patio Liquor License, and
2. Class B Entertainment License

We are a group of residents from 256 - 284 Spring Street, Saint Paul, MN 55102. We reside within 350 feet of City House, 258 Mill Street, Saint Paul.

We do not object to the expanded patio liquor license at City House. We do object to a Class B Entertainment License for use at City House for the following reasons:

1. Noise from music and large gatherings would adversely affect many of our homeowners. Each condominium unit has a balcony, many on the courtyard facing the Mississippi River or on Walnut Street which is directly across from City House. In addition, all the windows in these units face either the Mississippi River or Walnut Street. The noise will not be able to be contained within City House due to its structure. It has six large glass garage doors, three that face our building and three that face the Mississippi River. One of the three large doors facing our building must remain open during business hours for patrons to enter City House. There is no air conditioning in City House, so in all probability the other two garage doors also will be open during warm weather. The three doors facing the river will be open to provide access to the patio area. Noise will inevitably invade our homes due to the open structure of City House and the close proximity to our balconies and windows.
2. City House has a capacity of 300 plus occupants which will result in a substantial increase in traffic and parking issues. Permit parking protects us on workdays, but events at Xcel already often fill parking spaces around our building on nights and weekends. With additional street parking use by City House patrons, we will have no parking for our own use or for visiting guests. The 46 parking spaces available in the 240 Spring Street parking garage will not provide adequate off-street parking for City House. In addition, we have been advised by Saint Paul Parks and Recreation that 20 of these spaces currently are leased leaving only 26 spaces available for City House.
3. Large groups of people for public or private events with music, dancing, and liquor raise a strong likelihood of security issues in and around our neighborhood. We have been advised that Saint Paul Parks & Recreation is requiring a single security guard at City House only during private events. This will not be adequate to monitor the homeowner property adjacent to City House.

4. The area immediately surrounding City House is a national park enjoyed by many for walking, hiking, and biking. Many people drive to the river on weekends to enjoy these outdoor activities. Music, partying, and lack of parking will infringe on the overall character of the park and the immediate residential neighborhood.

5. There are no other Class B Entertainment licenses in the immediate area. One needs to go to West Seventh Street to find the nearest establishments that hold this type of license. These establishments are bars and bar/restaurants found in commercial areas. A Class B Entertainment License is an inappropriate license for our residential neighborhood.

6. Our homes are in a residential area adjacent to the Mississippi River. As homeowners we pay a premium in property taxes to enjoy our proximity to the Mississippi River. Many of us have incurred a sizable increase in our taxes this year. We did not purchase our homes with the expectation that a Class B Entertainment License with music and dancing would be granted for use next door for the sole benefit of a private business owner. This type of license would infringe on the character of our neighborhood and the enjoyment of our homes.

For these reasons, we respectfully request that you recommend a denial of the Class B Entertainment License to Saint Paul Parks and Recreation for use in City House.

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Bergen
256 spring street, Unit 419
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License Applications

Dear Sirs:

My name is Paul. Our condo unit is about 150-200 feet from the Red River Kitchen food truck. We are the proud residents of the City of Saint Paul. We are requesting the issuance of an Entertainment (B) license for our unit. We currently holds an A-2 license that allows up to 7 days per week for the sale of liquor.

The area is a block area that has no restaurants and no bars. There is a coffee shop and an Anytime Fitness in the area and the city granted the authority for Red River to serve alcohol. It was the first time ever such an establishment in the neighborhood. The neighborhood has tolerated food trucks. Now there is a request to grant a permanent license the city offers. This is the same area where music venues in the city enjoy. It makes no sense to have a quiet neighborhood.

We are requesting Rec to obtain a liquor-outdoor service area. We have no objection to that application as it has been there since it opened last year. Rather, we object to the issuance of a music/dance venue allowing for several amplified and non-amplified. This noise will be a burden on the neighbors. The inevitable traffic and unsavory behavior from our neighborhood completely from a quiet neighborhood. We would ever consider granting such a license in any other bar or entertainment activity.

We are concerned about this important and divisive application.

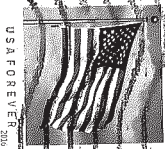
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Re: License Application at 258 Mill Street'
Liquor Outdoor and Entertainment (B) License Applications

Dear Hearing Officer and City Council Members:

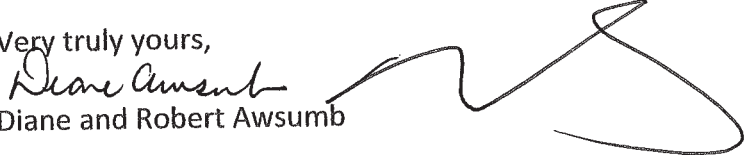
We are homeowners at 256 Spring Street in St. Paul. Our condo unit is about 150-200 feet from the City House building which currently houses the Red River Kitchen food truck. We are the original owners of the condo built in 2008 and proud residents of the City of Saint Paul. We write today (for the first time ever) to object to the issuance of an Entertainment (B) license for the City House at 258 Mill Street. The location currently holds an A-2 license that allows up to 150 people and has a liquor license allowing for the sale of liquor 7 days per week.

We live amidst 200-300 homeowners in a four-block area that has no restaurants and no bars or other entertainment venues. We have a coffee shop and an Anytime Fitness in the area and no other commercial establishments. Last year the city granted the authority for Red River Kitchen to sell food from a food truck and to serve alcohol. It was the first time ever such an establishment was allowed in our residential neighborhood. The neighborhood has tolerated the traffic and noise from the new activity as good neighbors. Now there is a request to grant a new license which is the highest-level entertainment license the city offers. This is the same license as O'Gara's, Mancini's and other large music venues in the city enjoy. It makes no sense to authorize such activity into our small residential neighborhood.

We understand there is also a request by Parks and Rec to obtain a liquor-outdoor service area license to sell liquor on the river-side patio area. We have no objection to that application as the that activity has been occurring on that patio since it opened last year. Rather, we object to the application to turn our front yard into a live music/dance venue allowing for several hundred patrons and live and recorded music, amplified and non-amplified. This noise will be heard as if it being played on the porch of our neighbors. The inevitable traffic and unsavory after-hours activity around the area will transform our neighborhood completely from a quiet residential area. We do not believe the City would ever consider granting such a license in any other totally residential neighborhood with no other bar or entertainment activity.

Thank you very much for considering our input about this important and divisive application.

Very truly yours,


Diane and Robert Awsumb



Robert Awsumb
256 Spring St Unit 217
Saint Paul, MN 55102



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From: Perri.Hite <Perri.Hite@target.com>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 4:28 PM
To: *CI-StPaul_LH-Licensing
Cc: perrihite@gmail.com
Subject: License No. 20160002228; Add a Liquor-Outdoor Service Area and Entertainment (B) License/License at 258 Mill Street/Licensee St. Paul Parks & Rec. (d/b/a City House)

Dear Legislative Hearing Officer,

As residents who reside at 284 Spring Street, Unit 406, St. Paul, Minnesota, we inform you that we:

1. Support the issuance of the liquor license expansion
2. DO NOT support the issuance of the Entertainment B license

We would be in support of the issuance of the Entertainment B license if, and only if, the following conditions are attached to the license:

1. The Entertainment B license is valid for a period of one (1) year from its issuance;
2. Any renewal or extension of the Entertainment B license requires public notice to residents living within 350 feet of City House;
3. Only one (1) door facing the trail head be open during business hours;
4. Signs are installed on the interior walls of City House fronting the trail head directing that no alcoholic beverages are allowed outside of City House; and
5. All attendees or invitees of City House, whether attending a public event or a private event, are required to stay inside City House or on its balcony, i.e., they cannot gather, congregate, or otherwise carry on their event outside of City House fronting the trail head.

Thank you. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Gary and Perri Hite
284 Spring Street, Unit 406
St. Paul, MN 55102
Gary phone 952/226-5912
Perri phone 651/373-7883

From: Claudia Zellmer <zellmerclaudia@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 12:11 PM
To: *CI-StPaul_LH-Licensing
Subject: Fwd: License #20160002228 :adding liquor service and entertainment

I am resending my objections as I neglected to include our phone number 651-292-5101 as requested.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Claudia Zellmer <zellmerclaudia@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Apr 27, 2017 at 12:02 PM
Subject: License #20160002228 :adding liquor service and entertainment
To: LH-Licensing@ci.stpaul.mn.us <LH-Licensing@ci.stpaul.mn.us>

To Whom it May Concern,

In response to adding the above services to the City House 258 Mill St we have several concerns to share for the Red River Kitchen operation.

- *parking is already at a premium with all the downtown events (Wild games, Xcel events) leaving no space for residents and their visitors.
- *noise from Harriet Island events and all the scheduled Shepard Rd closings for marathon and running activities is already an issue and creating a bar atmosphere in our backyard will be an additional daily burden for residents to bear.
- *cigarette smoking and alcohol consumption are positively correlated and we envision an increase in a health hazard to us along with increased cigarette butt littering. Having our windows and balcony door open will be spoiled by disgusting cigarette smoke and greasy cooking odors wafting into our home.
- *extended hours of a bar operation translates to late night carousing, noise levels, etc.
- *our property value will decrease with a bar in our backyard at the same time our property taxes continue to increase.

We seriously object to the license application and hope it is not granted. Thank you for the opportunity to express our concerns.

Dale and Claudia Zellmer
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