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**From:** Edgar Rudberg <edgar.rudberg@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 20, 2013 6:50 PM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

Greetings,

I am writing to you to voice my enthusiastic support for Eden Pizza's beer and wine license. As a neighbor at 1783 Lafond Ave, I have found Eden Pizza to be a respectful neighbor who we have enjoyed their food and their hospitality. I do not see any reason why a beer and wine license would make them any less neighborly. I look forward to having a place I can walk to for excellent pizza, wings and hopefully a Minnesota beer. Thank you for your time and your consideration. Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Regards,

Ed

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**From:** Thomas McNellis <tomtomthetom@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 20, 2013 8:38 PM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

Hello, Nhia Vang,

I am writing to express support for Eden Pizza's efforts to obtain a liquor license. I live at 1662 Lafond, and Eden Pizza are great neighbors. I would love to be able to buy a beer from them, and those who say we would have a lowered quality of life are overlooking the fact that we already have several bars within walking distance along university avenue.

So, please, if you have anything to do with it, allow Eden Pizza to do what they want.

Thanks!  
TOM Mc  
1662 Lafond  
St. Paul, MN 55104

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**From:** Brian Hill <bobo.hill@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 8:26 AM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing  
**Cc:** walt5012@gmail.com; kay korsgaard  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

I write to voice my support for Eden Pizza application for a beer/wine license. It is a very well run establishment and has been a positive influence in the neighborhood. I have never seen or heard anything around or concerning Eden Pizza that I believe should warrant them not to be granted this license.

I have heard some of the concerns regarding the not granting of this license and can say I feel they are baseless given their track record to date of how this business has been run. The only issue I can speak about that I can acknowledge is the complaint of parking. Up to today I can say that I have not seen any additional parking due to this restaurant, but instead due to the church crossways the intersection, which has increased activity in recent years and put a burden on available street parking more than just Sunday morning.

Street parking is available for anyone, duration being limited. Even though we all like to park directly in front of our homes and I am no different than anyone in having a strong feeling of ownership of wanting to park directly in front of my home, we all still have to acknowledge that it is the city that paves it, it's the city that puts the curb there, it's the city that repairs it, it's the city the sweeps it, and it's the city that plows it. We don't get to always park directly in front of our homes even though we may want to and feel we should be able to.

I look forward to the day I can walk with my wife a mere 1.5 blocks to Eden Pizza and have a meal and a beer or glass of wine and walk home without the trepidation of crossing Snelling Avenue.

It is what many of my neighbors and friends that live in this area have all been yearning for: A nice place, that's close by enough to walk to, and that you can have a glass of beer or wine, and enjoy our neighborhood.

Thank you,  
Brian Hill  
1611 Lafond Avenue

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A poets hope to be,  
Like some valley cheese,  
Local, but prized elsewhere.  
- W.H. Auden

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**From:** kay korsgaard <kay.korsgaard@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 8:59 AM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing  
**Cc:** walt5012@gmail.com; kay korsgaard  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

I'm writing in support of a beer and wine license for Eden Pizza.

Eden Pizza is a valuable asset to our neighborhood. I can not imagine any downside to granting a beer and wine license. It would be one more thing that would add value to our neighborhood. We live a block and a half away and are very familiar with the parking situation in the area. I can not believe that a beer and wine license for someplace as small as Eden could cause problems.

We order pizza from Eden at least once a month and would love to be able to stroll up the street and enjoy a glass of wine with dinner.

Thank you  
Kay Korsgaard  
1611 Lafond Ave  
651-231-3329

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**From:** Liza Pryor <liza.pryor@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 10:25 AM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing  
**Cc:** walt5012@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

I'm writing to whole-heartedly support the granting of a 3.2 beer/wine license for Eden Pizza. I'm not an immediate neighbor, but I do live nearby. Eden Pizza has been a good neighbor, and I can't see any reason not to allow patrons to consume beer/wine with their dinner. I am certainly NOT concerned about "...loss of on the street parking, increase in drunk driving, the decrease of safety in our neighborhood when walking down the block, people passing out on our lawn or urinating in our yards and alleys..."

Thanks for your consideration.

Liza Pryor  
1693 Minnehaha Avenue W  
St. Paul, MN 55104

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"The interlacing of knowledge and ignorance was a hallmark of the study."

(Describing the findings of the "Americans' Knowledge of Climate Change" study by the Yale Project on Climate Change Education)

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**From:** John Bailey <johnbaileyinmn@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 10:56 AM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing; walt5012@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

We live on the 1700 block of Blair Avenue and have enjoyed Eden Pizza since it opened. We fully support their 3.2 beer license request.

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John Bailey  
651.315.1477

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**From:** Dani Nicholson <serendipitousdani@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 9:51 PM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

Hello! I'm writing in regards to Eden Pizza's request for a Beer & Wine license. I live at 1751 Lafond, across the street and maybe a dozen houses to the west of Eden. I have lived here for 4 years and have loved having Eden Pizza just down the block. It's a great local establishment that is frequented by a lot of neighbors. They are an asset to our community! I am all in favor of permitting Eden to have the requested license.

Thank you!  
Danielle Nicholson

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**From:** Brandy Krachmer <b\_krachmer@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 10:28 PM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

To Whom it May Concern:

We recently heard about the hearing taking place on August 22, 2013 regarding Eden Pizza's application for a license to serve beer and wine, and wished to express our support in favor of the license as we are unable to attend the hearing in person.

We are about a half block away from the establishment - we love Eden Pizza, and feel they are a responsible small business with a great product and positive impact on the neighborhood. We look at this as an opportunity for them to grow and increase revenue by expanding their product offerings, and are confident that the addition of beer and wine to the menu will present little to no perceptible changes for the residents immediately surrounding the shop.

While they deserve acknowledgment, the objections regarding loss of on street parking and concerns about the increase in drunk driving or safety issues appear blown out of proportion relative to the business's objectives. Our neighborhood business owner obviously cares about not only the safety of the residents, but also our satisfaction with Eden Pizza. We appreciate his initiative in hoping to offer us, his customers, diversity and options on the menu that we would gladly pay for. The intent is clearly not to change the shop into a bar or nightclub...

We appreciate the time you took to read this, and for your consideration on the matter.

Best Regards,

Brandy Krachmer  
Tom Zocher  
1660 Lafond Avenue  
Saint Paul, MN 55104



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**From:** Nicole Menard <nicole.menard1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 3:46 PM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in today to voice my support for the beer and wine license application for Eden Pizza. I live at 1662 Lafond, maybe about 6 houses away from the locale. I foresee no known issues with Eden Pizza being able to sell wine and beer at their location due to the small restaurant size, limited seating and their hours already closing around 9:30 pm weekdays and 10:30 pm on weekends. I think with their limited restaurant size as it is, parking really shouldn't be an issue and most of the people who do stop in for food, usually walk. I think it would be a great asset to the neighborhood and another attraction for the burgeoning Hamline/Midway neighborhood. Eden Pizza has been a great business for the area and has always sold a stellar product with friendly service. I would love to be able to grab a quick glass of wine/beer with slice of pizza!

Let me know if you have any questions! I would be happy to be of service and lend my support.

Sincerely,  
Nicole Menard  
651-442-9320  
1662 Lafond Avenue  
St. Paul, MN 55104

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**From:** Nathan Steigman <nsteigma@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 3:49 PM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing  
**Cc:** walt5012@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza Legislative Hearing Comment

As a resident of the neighborhood in which Eden Pizza serves, I am writing on behalf of our positive acceptance of their desire to serve beer and wine at their restaurant. It was recently brought to our attention that a legislative hearing was to occur, however we are unable to attend in person on short notice with our newborn in tow.

Notwithstanding, we wholeheartedly support the owner in his request of a liquor license and do not find any reason to doubt their ability to maintain the same level of quality business control standards that we have known of this location over the past several years. Eden Pizza is seen as a community strength as well as a productive business model. They also believe in recycling and being stewards of the utmost clean food preparation and proper waste disposal.

My wife and I are residents of 1706 Minnehaha Avenue West (just down blocks from Eden Pizza). We have lived here for over 9 years. We have also been current active customers of this establishment as well and support their request, because we see how they do business and that they genuinely care about quality. We would not be happy to see them leave the area they have grown to help build.

Eden Pizza as a business is welcoming to all of our residents and those from outside the area who wish to share in a taste of what the Midway provides. They obviously take care of their property on the interior and exterior and I assume the same will continue once they are granted their license. Nothing adverse would come in their ability to offer wine or beer with a slice of pizza, if given the opportunity.

With a limited inside capacity, it is unreasonable and unfathomable to consider that any problems in serving alcohol on a limited basis would ensue. I ask the deciders to please not apply the same degree of scrutiny you would apply to a license applicant looking to open up a bar within a residential community, as Eden Pizza is not deserving of such oversight. To be clear, they are a small pizza restaurant, not a bar.

Eden Pizza is a family-friendly asset to our community. We wish them success. Please allow them to proceed in favor of their request.

Nathan & Amy Steigman  
1706 Minnehaha Avenue West  
Saint Paul, MN 55104  
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[nsteigma@msn.com](mailto:nsteigma@msn.com)

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**From:** Lauren Crane <crane.lauren@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 2:34 PM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

Hello,

I just wanted to briefly register my support for Eden Pizza's beer and wine license. I live a few blocks from Eden and regularly walk past it. I am so happy to have a lovely neighborhood restaurant, and it has not been disruptive in any way. I don't think adding beer and wine to the menu will significantly change the way Eden operates - because it is such a small restaurant, there is really no chance that it will turn into a bar. I think concerns about drunk driving and drunk patrons in the neighborhood are completely unfounded - Eden will remain a neighborhood pizza place, but one with a more attractive menu. I know I would go there more often if I could have a lovely glass of wine with my delicious pizza.

Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to this discussion.

Sincerely,

Lauren Crane  
1600 Englewood Ave. #307  
St. Paul, MN 55104  
414-520-7197

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**From:** Peter Grafstrom <peter.j.grafstrom@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 12:50 PM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

Hello Ms. Vang,

I am writing to express my support for Eden Pizza's application for an on sale liquor license. As I understand it, they want to start selling beer and wine to add to their menu. I think that's entirely appropriate for a neighborhood restaurant. I live on the other side of Snelling and Groundswell Coffee is a great example of a neighborhood restaurant/cafe that serves alcohol. Small neighborhood establishments like this add to our sense of place and I hope the city will grant the license to Eden Pizza.

Thanks for your time,  
Peter

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Peter Grafstrom  
1405 Van Buren Ave.  
Saint Paul, MN  
[peter.j.grafstrom@gmail.com](mailto:peter.j.grafstrom@gmail.com)

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**From:** Chelsie Glaubitz <cglaubitz@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 12:18 PM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LH-Licensing  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

Hello Nhia Vang,

I am writing in regards to Eden Pizza's request for a Malt on Sale license. My husband and I are homeowners within 1 block of Eden Pizza at 1647 Lafond Ave.

I am supportive of Eden Pizza's request for this license. I walk past Eden Pizza daily and love having the small family owned business in our neighborhood. I support their efforts to offer a diversified menu to it's guests. We need to support the small businesses in our community, and allowing them the flexibility to make changes like this shows that we are all in this together.

I trust Eden Pizza to use their license to offer beer and wine in a responsible way.

Thank you for your consideration,

Chelsie Glaubitz  
1647 Lafond Ave  
St. Paul, MN 55104

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Chelsie Glaubitz  
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**Sheffer, Vicki (CI-StPaul)**

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**From:** Henningson, Samantha (CI-StPaul)  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 22, 2013 7:07 AM  
**To:** Vang, Nhia (CI-StPaul)  
**Subject:** FW: Eden Pizza Liquor License

**From:** BEN BARBARA SPEARS [bbspears@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 3:47 PM  
**To:** #CI-StPaul\_Ward4  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza Liquor License

Hi Russ! Just a quick note to let you know that Ben and I support providing a liquor license to Eden Pizza. There has been a lot of email discussion about this issue on the e-democracy forum with the majority in favor (only one not in favor but open to further discussion). Please let us know if you need something more formal. Ben and Barb Spears, 1656 Blair Ave.

**Sheffer, Vicki (CI-StPaul)**

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**From:** Henningson, Samantha (CI-StPaul)  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 22, 2013 7:07 AM  
**To:** Vang, Nhia (CI-StPaul)  
**Subject:** FW: Eden Pizza

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**From:** [jim.mack@q.com](mailto:jim.mack@q.com) [jim.mack@q.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 4:13 PM  
**To:** #CI-StPaul\_Ward4  
**Subject:** Eden Pizza

Attn: Council member Russ Stark,

In regards to the request for Eden Pizza (located at the intersection of Lafond & Aldine) for obtaining a license to serve beer (& wine?), I support their request. I live a half a block to the west on Lafond and feel this measure would help their business. It is nice to have a restaurant with good quality food in the neighborhood.

Regards,  
Jim Mackey

## Sheffer, Vicki (CI-StPaul)

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**From:** Henningson, Samantha (CI-StPaul)  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 22, 2013 7:07 AM  
**To:** Vang, Nhia (CI-StPaul)  
**Subject:** FW: Support for Eden Pizza's beer/wine license

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**From:** Christine Huff [christinemhuff@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 4:53 PM  
**To:** #CI-StPaul\_Ward4  
**Subject:** Support for Eden Pizza's beer/wine license

Hello,

I heard that Eden Pizza is applying for a beer and wine license. I live about 1/2 mile away (1472 W Minnehaha Ave), and think it's a great idea for them to get a beer and wine license. I fully support it -

Christine Huff

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651-338-1216



From: Lisa Frenette [mailto:frenettela@gmail.com]  
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2013 10:21 AM  
To: #CI-StPaul\_Ward4  
Subject: Eden Pizza Permit

Councilmen Stark -

I live at 1734 Blair Avenue and I am in favor of allowing Eden Pizza to have a liquor license. Eden Pizza is a great community spot for neighbors to see and meet with each other.

Lisa

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