

Resolution in Support of a Liquor Outdoor Service Area License for Joan's in the Park

Whereas Joan's in the Park restaurant purchased the building at 631 Snelling Ave South and opened for business in the summer of 2011, replacing another long-term restaurant at that location;

Whereas the Highland District Council's Community Development Committee held a community meeting on April 17, 2012, with the owners of Joan's in the Park and their residential neighbors to discuss Joan's proposed enclosed patio with wine and beer service on the North side of the building;

Whereas Joan's in the Park's residential neighbors expressed concern about potential noise issues created by patio service and the current lack of off- and on-street parking that may be exacerbated by increased customers for the patio;

Whereas Joan's in the Park seeks to be a more considerate neighbor to the surrounding residents than the previous building occupant and is receptive to neighborhood feedback while operating a successful restaurant;

Be it resolved, that the Highland District Council supports the development of Joan's in the Park's application for a Liquor Outdoor Seating Area License, and

Be it further resolved, that the Highland District Council requests the addition of conditions to Joan's in the Park's patio license to address noise concerns including:

- Patio closure by 10pm
- Music kept to an ambient noise level
- Installation of a privacy fence on the alley side of the patio built to the maximum legal height
- Addition and maintenance of landscaping and other noise deadening measures, and

Be it further resolved, that the Highland District Council recommends that Joan's in the Park work with the City of Saint Paul to remove the "30 minute only" parking signs along Bayard Street; and

Be it further resolved, that the Highland District Council recommends that Joan's in the Park work with the owner of the Domino's Pizza building to create a shared-parking agreement or lease parking spaces for employees and customers.

Adopted on May 10, 2012
By the Highland District Council