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Legislative Hearing Officer
Attn: Christine A. Rozek
310 City Hall
15 West Kellogg Blvd.
Saint Paul, MN 55102

Re: Sidewalk Café License Request at Scusi Restaurant (1806 St. Clair Avenue)

Dear Christine:

The Housing & Land Use Committee of the Macalester-Groveland Community Council met in response to the license request submitted by Scusi on Wednesday, April 27th. The committee passed the following motion:

The Macalester-Groveland Community Council recommends denial of the request for the waiver of the 45-day notice period and recommends the following restriction to the Liquor-Outdoor Service Area (Sidewalk) License upon completion of the application requirements, including the required number of petition signatures: Outdoor service and consumption of food, wine, and beer will terminate at 9:00pm on Sunday through Thursday nights, and at 10:00pm on Friday and Saturday nights.

Residents in attendance expressed concern regarding: traffic, parking, noise, an increase in patronage, hours of operation and the current number of alcohol-related businesses in the area. Feedback received prior to the meeting included one in opposition and one in support.

Thank you for your consideration of this recommendation. Please contact me with any questions at 651-695-4000.

Sincerely,

Afton Martens
Executive Director

cc: Stephanie Shimp