

Joanna,

Thank you, I want to go on record to oppose The Lex. I think Derek of the Rondo Saints said it well, see his email language below. The site does not support the uses Josh Howe informed me of on Saturday, March 12th. He said he and his tenant want to host weddings, birthday parties, receptions, and community gatherings. Where will people park, he remove his property parking during a remodel, the event on the afternoon of March 12th had residents driving around the block, looking for parking, unable to turn without cars blocking the intersection, and anywhere from 15-50 people loitering outside of the building and outside of The Lex fenced patio. Who will police their patrons and protect our property investment?

The proposed license being sought by The Lex would be difficult if not impossible to enforce. There are zero other clubs or bars using this license in St. Paul. This license is used for smaller towns that do not have a liquor board to manage liquor and oversight.

Based off the current plan, I do not support the current license request. Councilman Thao, in the last hearing, offered to assist with finding another business location or possibly a restaurant license.

That being said, we do not want any business black or white that does not have enforcement or oversight by the city of St. Paul. I support small, women and minority owned businesses all the time. This is not the proper way to address these concerns.

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