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- Mr. Forti told us that he had made a good faith attempt to collect the required signatures in January.
 He had submitted his petition to DSI, followed up regularly, and was told that everything was in order.
- Approximately 1 month ago, he was told that he did not in fact have the required number of signatures, as some he had collected could not be counted towards the required total.
- With work on the new patio starting imminently, a letter from the District Council was the remaining way forward that would allow the applicant to serve liquor across the entire patio, and not create an arbitrary dividing line beyond which only beer and wine could be served.

2. Noise, Disruption, and Nature of Alcohol Service

- o The other main concern was the nature of the proposed alcohol service, closing times etc.
- Mr. Forti told us that the outdoor patio would close by 10:00pm, with the venue as a whole closing at 10:30pm.
- He also noted that, while customers could certainly order a whiskey or similar, he would not have shot glasses available or otherwise structure his liquor service so as to mitigate the risk of excessive consumption and the associated spillover effects.
- Mr. Forti also reiterated his commitment to working with Dr. Layman (the neighbor directly across the alleyway) on security and disruption. We committed to share contact details to facilitate that dialog.

Recommendation

Having weighed all the testimony received and evaluated the application, ZLU voted unanimously on the following recommendation:

The Zoning & Land Use Committee <u>supports</u> Iron Ranger's application to extend liquor service to the new portion of the outdoor patio. In the alternative, the Committee recommends the full SHA Board's approval should such approval be required to satisfy the requirements of the application.

Thank you for your consideration, and please let us know if you have any further questions.

Kind regards,

Monica Haas Executive Director Simon Taghioff Chair, Zoning & Land Use Committee