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Re: Liquor License for property at 560 West 7th Street

Date: 9/5/23

I am writing to you to object to the liquor license request from 560 West 7th Street. We welcome a new business to the area, but object to the license for a number of reasons.

\*Since the property has been purchased it has not been maintained. The sidewalks are not shoveled in a timely manner. The property has become overgrown and unkept.

\*The property is very close to a residential area, a church, and preschool playground.

\* Our house, like many houses in the area, was built in 1890 and does not have current soundproofing. I am worried about late night noises and traffic at closing time will wake neighbors who need to work in the morning.

\*There are 7 establishments within a 3 block radius that are currently selling alcohol. Do we need another?

\*The current parking lot is not able to accommodate the capacity level of the establishment.

\*The way the building is situated our residential street will have a significant increase in traffic. We are concerned about public intoxication and driving under the influence.

\* There are many children in the neighborhood and we want to keep our neighborhood child friendly.

If 560 West 7th Street is granted a liquor license we would like to recommend the following conditions.

1.

Stop serving alcohol at 9 pm. The Waldman Brewery and Bad Weather Brewery adhere to closing before typical bar closing times. Like 560 West 7th Street these establishments are new to the neighborhood and very close to residential homes.

2.

Maintain the property and sidewalks. The property covers a full block and the parking lot covers 1 side of a block. It should be shoveled and maintained in a timely manner.

3.

Employees pick up litter from patrons in a timely manner.

4.

Visitors use the parking lot, West 7th, and their block from parking. Encourage patrons to not park in the neighborhood. The lack of off street parking is currently an issue. A venue that hopes to host 100 people will bring a significant amount of parking to an area that is already congested.

5.

Parking stickers and signs so residents are able to park on our residential streets.

6.

Increased parking enforcement.

Thank you for your consideration,

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