

General Manager,

Liquor Cannabis and Regulation Branch

RE: Application for a Permanent Change to a Liquor Licence for Hilton Whistler Resort and Spa (Hilton) lounge/pub liquor primary license No. 035049 (Liquor Licence) to change hours of sale to 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Monday to Sunday.

At the Regular Council Meeting held on December 20, 2022 the Council passed the following resolution with respect to the application for the above name amendment:

***That Council approve a permanent change to the licensed hours of sale to 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Monday through Sunday for Liquor Primary Licence No. 035049 held by the Hilton Whistler Resort and Spa, having considered the criteria as required by the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) as set out in support of this application attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report to Council 22-155; and further***

***That Council authorize the letter attached as Appendix A to be executed on behalf of the Resort Municipality of Whistler by its authorized representatives and sent to the LCRB in support of the application.***

Council recommends the amendment to the license for the following reasons:

The proposed licensing will provide for improved customer service for both visitors and residents alike and will not have any significant negative impacts on the resort community. The applicant has entered into A Good Neighbour Agreement and Noise Mitigation Plan with the Resort Municipality of Whistler (Municipality). The recommendation of Council support is conditional upon the Hilton entering into an updated Good Neighbour Agreement with the Municipality that will require a fully operational kitchen and breakfast service from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. consistent with the RMOW *Council Policy G-17: Municipal Liquor Licensing Policy*.

Council has considered and approves the following supporting information:

- 1) The location of the establishment:

The Hilton liquor primary licence no. 035049 is for the Cinnamon Bear Bar (559-4050 Whistler Way), a bar on the main floor level of the Hilton Resort and Spa Hotel in Whistler Village. The bar's frontage is internally located inside the hotel.

- 2) The person capacity and hours of liquor service of the Hilton:

The Cinnamon Bear Bar has an interior capacity of 128 persons. The current hours of liquor services are 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday and 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. on Sunday. The applied for hours of 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Monday to Sunday are within the municipal hours of liquor service guidelines for lounges and pubs established in *Council Policy G-17: Municipal Liquor Licensing Policy*.

- 3) The impact of noise on nearby residents:

Noise from an establishment serving alcoholic beverages can be disruptive to visitors staying in nearby accommodations. The requested hours of 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Monday to Sunday is in conformance with hours of liquor service for lounges and pubs specified in *Council Policy G-17: Municipal Liquor Licensing Policy*. The Cinnamon Bear Bar currently has a closing time of 1:00 a.m. on Monday to Saturday and 12:30 a.m. on Sunday. A ½ hour extension to 1:00 a.m. on Sunday is not expected to be an issue as all other days are approved to a 1:00 a.m. closing and Cinnamon Bear Bar does not have a history of noise or disturbance. Cinnamon Bear Bar is subject to the provisions of the Municipality's "Noise Regulation Bylaw No. 2362, 2022" (Noise Regulation Bylaw). The Good Neighbour Agreement commits the applicant to limit noise disturbances and comply with the Noise Regulation Bylaw. If the application for changes in hours of liquor service is approved, there is not expected to be an increase in noise from the establishment.

4) The impact on the community if the application is approved:

If the application is approved the impact on the community will likely, on balance, be positive by meeting the service expectations of both visitors and residents. Negative impacts on the community are not anticipated as a result of the requested change to the license.

5) The view of residents:

Council believes that residents are not opposed to the application. The method used to gather the views of residents was placement of an information sign in a public location (commencing on December 3, 2022) and advertisements in two consecutive editions of the weekly local newspaper, *Pique Newsmagazine*, commencing on November 3, 2022. No comments were received. Further, the municipal Liquor License Advisory Committee, comprising various community representatives, expressed no concerns with the application.

The undersigned hereby certifies the above resolution to be a true copy of the resolution passed by the Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler on December 20, 2022.

Sincerely,

Corporate Officer

Resort Municipality of Whistler