

Updated Agency/Department and Public Liaison Responses – Thursday July 14, 2016

Z-8625 City of London

Amplified Music and Dancing on Patios in Downtown BIA and Old East Village CIP Areas

<p><b>Date Application Initiated:</b> May 24, 2016</p>
<p><b>REQUESTED ACTION:</b> On May 31, 2016 Council resolved;</p> <p>“17. That the Civic Administration <b>BE DIRECTED</b> to proceed with a City initiated Zoning By-law Amendment to, notwithstanding the regulations set out in Section 4.18 5) of Zoning By-law Z-1, as amended, permit amplified music and dancing on existing outside patios in the Downtown Business Improvement Area and Old East Village, for a period of August 1 to September 30, 2016. (2016-D14) (17/10/PEC)”</p> <p>The request for the amendment came from a letter dated May 19, 2016 from the Culture Office and Community and Economic Innovation Division of the City of London</p>
<p><b>SIGNIFICANT DEPARTMENT/AGENCY COMMENTS</b></p>

None to date

<p><b>PUBLIC LIAISON:</b></p>	<p>On June 22, 2016, a public notice was sent out to 15,400 homes, apartments and businesses within and around the two identified areas. Notice of Application was also published in the <i>Public Notices and Bidding Opportunities</i> section of <i>The Londoner</i> on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, June 9<sup>th</sup>, June 16<sup>th</sup> and June 23<sup>rd</sup>. The notice was also posted on the City website.</p>	<p>27 replies</p>
<p><b>Nature of Liaison:</b> Downtown BIA and Old East Village CIPA – Temporarily Remove the Application of Section 4.18 5) of Zoning By-law Z-1 from August 1, 2016 until September 30, 2016 to allow amplified music and dancing on outdoor patios. The purpose and effect of this zoning by-law amendment will be to temporarily remove the application of this clause to allow the City to monitor the impact of music and dancing on patios during the Downtown and Old East Village festival season, particularly during Country Music Week September 8-11, 2016. This test period will be used to gather information for the consideration of permanent changes through the Music, Entertainment and Culture District Background Study scheduled to be completed by December 2016 with any changes implemented for the 2017 event season.</p>		
<p><b>Responses:</b> In response to the above notice we received nine (9) telephone calls, fourteen (14) e-mails and four (4) letters (see attached).</p> <p>To summarize, the nine (9) responses <u>supporting</u> the proposed amendment indicated that making the City more vibrant and attracting more tourists were keys reasons for support.</p> <p>The eighteen (18) responses <u>objecting</u> to the amendment felt that the extra noise would impact them and lessen their enjoyment of their residential property. They felt that the change would lead to more noise later into the night.</p>		