



July 12, 2017

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing on behalf of the Argyle Community Association. It has very recently come to our attention that on July 18th the Community and Protective Services Committee will be receiving a staff report indicating that for a period greater than 6 consecutive months, no adult entertainment establishment has operated at 2190 Dundas St.

The reality from the community perspective is that no business has operated there since early 2015, a much greater period than 6 months. While we understand a business license was granted in 2015, and that one was applied for but ultimately not issued in 2016, having or applying for a license is quite different from a business actually operating.

It has come to our attention that this notice of cessation of operations is a necessary step in a process wherein the goal is to have a new adult entertainment license granted to Paris Clubs Corporation at this site. In order to comply with the city's limit of 4 such establishments, the closing of the old license must be confirmed to create a vacancy for a new application.

The staff report indicates renovations have been occurring on site. We wish to bring to your attention the nature of the renovations has been reported to us as the installation of private showers and rooms to facilitate a "body rub parlour" business in conjunction with the adult entertainment nightclub. Therefore this does not comply with the minimum 100m distance from residential areas (By-Law L-6 section 5.b) requirement in the existing by-law.

Though we recognize that the item on the agenda is specific to the closing of the former adult entertainment establishment, we encourage the committee to take the necessary steps to ensure that the "renovations" occurring on site are consistent with the zoning for the property without being contingent on a new adult entertainment license being issued and that proper permits have been issued for all works.

We further ask that the committee receive this report and move a recommendation to council that the location at 2190 Dundas St be deleted from the defined location list in schedules D and K, as related to sections 3 and 5 of the City of London's existing L-6 Business Licensing By-law.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Shawn Lewis", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Shawn Lewis,
Chairperson, Argyle Community Association