

CITY OF HAMILTON

NOTICE OF MOTION

Committee Date: July 9, 2019

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J. FARR.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

LIQUOR LICENCE ACT – Auxiliary Zone Changes

WHEREAS, the *Making Ontario Open for Business Act, 2018* is a series of bills through the Government of Ontario's Open for Business Action Plan to stimulate business investment and make Ontario more competitive;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton Open for Business Subcommittee has a common goal to create consistent, predictable, and customer-focused services that encourage enterprises and entrepreneurs in the City of Hamilton;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton's Open for Business initiatives include a number of initiatives designed to support local restaurant, bar and cafe owners through programs such as the On-Street Patio Program and music on patios program and streamlined patio approvals program;

WHEREAS, the Province of Ontario's Auxiliary Zone requirements prohibit patrons with liquor from moving across the unlicensed sidewalk separating a licensed outdoor patio and licensed establishment; and,

WHEREAS, licensed establishments would benefit from the modernization of the Liquor License Act to allow for a more liberal use of auxiliary zones;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Mayor request the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario to review and update the regulations under the Liquor License Act allowing patrons to move across auxiliary zones within a licensed premise to include any thresholds between licensed outdoor patios and the licensed establishment