

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing in support of the bylaw text amendment allowing a permanent liquor license application at 735 Eighth Ave. (Massey Theatre).

The society is developing their expanded space, Eighth and Eight into a thriving cultural hub, a community gathering space. Adding a food and beverage component can improve the economic viability of the society and enhance the experiences.

The tourism and hospitality sector in Metro Vancouver is very competitive and providing opportunities for our local attractions to expand their guest experience like this increases visitation to the area as well as increasing the amount of time and spend from visitors.

Massey Theatre has successfully and safely held numerous temporary liquor licenses over the years. I feel confident the Massey Theatre Society will be respectful and responsible in their use a permanent liquor license, and use it to make Eighth and Eight an even more engaging destination for residents and visitors alike.

Thank you for your support and consideration. If you have any questions or concerns I am happy to provide any additional information.

Kindest Regards,

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