


**TO: MAYOR J. LEHMAN AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

**FROM: D. MCALPINE, CITY CLERK**

**NOTED: E. ARCHER, CMA, GENERAL MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES**  
**CARLA LADD, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER** 

**RE: THE ROYAL EVENT CENTRE – 66 BAYFIELD STREET**

**DATE: APRIL 30, 2012**


*Craig Miller  
for E. Archer*

The purpose of this memorandum is to respond to an enquiry with respect to Municipal Information Form and associated City of Barrie Liquor Licence Application Questionnaire which was received on April 19, 2012 from The Royal Event Centre located at 66 Bayfield Street North.

Staff in the Planning Services and Building Services Departments have advised that additional information is required to clarify the proposal for this site to determine the proposed establishment's compliance with the current zoning for the site. A planning application or a building permit application has yet to be submitted for any of the three addresses associated with this site. However, staff in Barrie Fire and Emergency Service have been advised that a building permit application is anticipated to be submitted which would convert the existing space in the building for the proposed Royal Event Centre. It is Barrie Fire and Emergency Service's understanding that the applicant would be utilizing existing underground parking and installing a large number of additional washrooms to facilitate the proposed uses.

Based on the information available, there are certain components that would qualify the proposed establishment for the "Trade Centre" or "Assembly Hall" uses defined in the Zoning By-law: In accordance with the Zoning By-law definitions a "Conference Centre" must include a lodging / hotel component. The three uses (Trade Centre, Assembly Hall, and Conference Centre) are defined and permitted in the C1-1 zone and the subject property is zoned C1-1. Commercial uses in the C1-1 zone do not have to provide parking.

On March 5, 2012, City Council adopted motion 12-G-043 with respect to Zoning Regulation of Restaurants and Nightclubs. The motion provided that a portion of the provisions applicable to nightclubs would not apply to any restaurant or nightclub which is in association with or in combination with a hotel/convention centre, located in the City Centre Revitalization Area. A "Conference Centre" which must include lodging, falls under the exemption in 6.2.7 noted in the Council approved proposed zoning by-law changes. The exemption and proposed zoning changes would not apply to a "Trade Centre" or "Assembly Hall". The by-law amendment to further regulate Restaurants and Nightclubs in the Zoning By-law is anticipated to be presented in May.

  
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Dawn McAlpine, City Clerk