

# **REPORT**

To: Chair and Directors Report Number: DS-BRD-079

From: Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer Date: October 13, 2020

Subject: Extension of Expanded Service Area – Jackfish Dundee's

## **RECOMMENDATION:** [Corporate Unweighted]

That the Regional Board support the extension of the Temporary Expanded Service Area for 1221916BC Ltd. – Licence No. 033874 (dba Jackfish Dundee's) to serve alcohol on an approximately 12 ft. by 30 ft. area of their patio, from October 31, 2020, to October 31, 2021.

## **BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:**

At the August 13, 2020 Regional Board Meeting, approval was given to Jackfish Dundee's to serve alcohol on their patio, under the Temporary Expanded Service Area program administered by the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch. The Province of BC instituted the program in an effort to assist restaurants and bars to accept additional customers, and still comply with physical distancing requirements imposed in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Liquor & Cannabis Regulation Branch has now advised that they will extend the temporary expanded service area, with local government approval, for an additional year.

As previously noted, temporary expanded service area authorizations will expand licenced areas only, and will not increase currently approved patron capacities or occupant loads. The occupancy limit of the facility is currently up to 150 persons. The restaurant/pub will need to continue to follow provincial orders regarding physical distancing and operational precautions.

#### **Planning Considerations**

Pursuant to PRRD Zoning Bylaw No. 1343, 2001, the property is zoned C-2 (General Commercial Zone). The proposal complies with all applicable zoning regulations. No Building Permits, Development Permits, or other planning approvals are required.

#### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:**

- 1. That the Regional Board notify the Ministry of Attorney General, Liquor & Cannabis Regulation Branch that they wish to provide pre-approval for all liquor primary and manufacturer establishments within the Peace River Regional District who may apply for a temporary expanded service area.
- 2. That the Regional Board provide further direction.

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#### **STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:**

# FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

None at this time.

# **COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):**

The Regional Board's decision will be communicated to the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch.

# OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

The Regional Board may wish to provide blanket approval for any temporary expanded service area applications within the PRRD. This would negate the need for each establishment contemplating an expansion to seek local government approval. The PRRD would advise the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) of its support for temporary service expansion applications, and the LCRB would no longer require written approval from the PRRD for each application.