

MOTION ON NOTICE

11. Enabling the Micro-brewery and Distillery Industry

At its meeting on April 23, 2013, Vancouver City Council referred the following motion to the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment on April 24, 2013, in order to hear from speakers.

MOVER: Councillor George Affleck

SECONDER:

WHEREAS

1. The City of Vancouver prides itself on its local tourism sector;
2. The City of Vancouver wants to foster a robust local food scene, which includes the distilling of spirits, the making of wine and brewing of craft beer;
3. The Province of BC announced Policy Directive 13-02 effective March 1, 2013, which allows for changes to brewery and distillery operations in the province and the ability for customers to sample and purchase locally produced spirits and beer for on-site consumption;
4. The policy change thus aligns regulations for brewers and distillers with wineries who have been able to serve and sell wine for on-site consumption for years;
5. The City of Vancouver's Zoning and Development Bylaw only permits micro-breweries and distilleries on industrial land to serve or sell product in a limited way because industrial land is not zoned for liquor primary.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff report back to Council on the required changes to the relevant regulations within the city of Vancouver that would permit micro-breweries, wineries and distilleries on industrial land to sample and sell craft beer and spirits produced on -site, thus being consistent with provincial liquor policy.

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