

To whom it may concern,

I have recently been alerted to the application for an indoor cabaret license by Sushi Pirate at 200 Main st suite 220 in downtown LaCrosse. This is a letter addressing my concerns about this license being issued.

As a Realtor and citizen of La Crosse, growth in the downtown area has been exciting and wonderful. Seeing it come back to life and thriving is something we have anticipated and hoped to see for a long time. Along with this growth, expansion and creation of diversity comes a great responsibility.

From what I understand, there have been countless phone calls to the police regarding noise violations, vandalism and inappropriate behavior, not to mention the number of underage drinkers that have been seen leaving the establishment and the fact that this license is being applied for 6 weeks after they have chosen to open and run the night club- disregarding the rule that they must first acquire the license before opening their doors.

These issues are not ones that should be taken lightly. With all the time, money and efforts of the current business owners in the downtown area that have gone about getting proper licensing and working diligently to bring respectful business practice into the downtown area, I think it would be a detriment and deterrent for other new business owners to want to bring new ventures to our downtown area.

Sincerely,

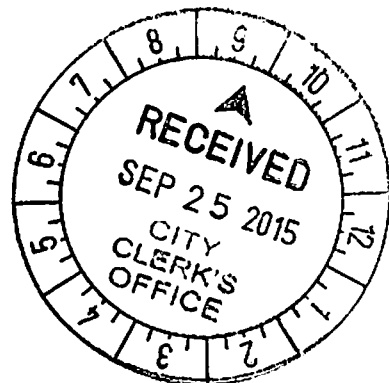
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