Mr. Christianson,

I am writing to you because my Alder Sue Ellingson suggested that you would be better able to help with my complaint.

The above referenced address is Taqueria Guadalaja, a small Mexican restaurant that currently has a beer license.

My home/backyard/bedroom window are directly in the back across a VERY narrow alley of this restaurant. This restaurant has been an exceedingly bad neighbor. They consistently exceed the capacity of their establishment. Consequently the garbage and disposal thereof is not adequate. The sale of beer is quite abundant, every night a green city container is full of empty beer bottles which is then loudly dumped in with their regular garbage into an inadequately small commercial dumpster. Quite often at or around 10-10:30 p.m. there are people walking out with "beer carryouts" and quite often there are cars squealing out with stereos blasting. I have called the police and parking enforcement BUT by the time they get here the people are gone and they can't issue tickets on the license plates and car descriptions that I give them. I have complained to Health, Zoning, my Alder but to date the restaurant keeps operating with total disregard to the visits and warnings. Previously I was afraid to lodge a formal complaint because of retaliation (my car tires have been slashed and other vandalism to my property since this place opened) BUT I have had it. They are more than a nuisance they are a safety and well being concern, mine and that of other neighbors.

Since their license is up for review how can I urge/recommend that they be closely Re "reviewed" and not approved? What can I bring to you or the Committee? Any help you can give me in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Ms. Coco Bustamante