

To: Mayor Brown and Members of Council

From: Rules and Law Committee – Maggie Palazzolo – Chairman

Date: November 9, 2020

RE: DORA Legislation

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The Rules and Law committee met at 2:02PM on November 3, 2020. Present were Mayor Bill Brown, committee chair Maggie Palazzolo, committee member Marcy Lewis and Chief Hines.

The committee discussed creating a DORA District in Mariemont. This is a "Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area" and would allow people to buy an alcoholic drink at a restaurant and then walk around outside in a designated area. Detail is available in the addendum in terms of what area would be included, the hours the DORA would be in effect and which business would be included. The local businesses/owners would be contacted for their input. The committee unanimously recommends moving forward with this.

It would be a way to promote Mariemont businesses and an economic development tool as well. The process is a matter of deciding what we want the parameters of the DORA to be and filing paperwork with the state. The committee would like to have this in place before spring.

The meeting concluded at 2:52pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Maggie Palazzolo, Chairman

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Marcy Lewis, Vice-Chairman

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Rob Bartlett, Member