RETURN OF NORVAL NIGHT CLUB NOT MUSIC TO NEIGHBOURS' EARS

TOWN SAYS PROPERTY NO LONGER ZONED FOR USE AS A BAR

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A popular Halton Hills night spot has reopened, but not everyone is excited about it.

The new owner of a Norval property, once known as Nashville North, has been holding private events, but neighbours have complained to the town about the noise, traffic and garbage following the events.

Richard Marshall, who purchased the property at 530 Guelph St., says he is trying to provide a local entertainment venue and create jobs. Marshall said he's aware of the concerns neighbours had with Nashville North, which closed in 2019, and doesn't want to be at odds with the community.

"We're not bringing back the problems that were there before," Marshall said. "We want to follow the rules and regulations. We want to do this in the right manner."

Residents say that is not the case though.

Norval resident Gus Kalbhenn described the first event in late August as "a huge outdoor party in the parking lot" with several hundred people attending. Because the parking lot was used for the event, those attending parked throughout the village.

While events have since moved inside, Kalbhenn said the noise from the property is still very loud with some events going as late as 3:30 a.m.



Melanie Hennessey/Torstar

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Const. Ryan Anderson said, "Halton Regional Police Service (HRPS) has received a number of noise complaints over the past couple months related to events taking place at the

site formerly known as Nashville North."

In a letter to Norval residents, the Town of Halton Hills stated, "the noise observations from the premise have already been deemed to violate the qualitative portion of the bylaw as the noise can be heard well past 11 p.m."

Marshall said the venue has hosted company celebrations and line dancing events with permits from the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO).

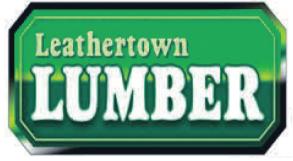
The AGCO says five special event permit requests were submitted by Celebrity Affairs Entertainment Inc., of which Marshall is the sole director. The AGCO confirmed it issued notices "to revoke Special Occasion Permits (SOP) for events held at 530 Guelph St. over the last few months" due to violations of the Liquor Licence and Control Act.

Events continue to be held, though, including one on Saturday (Dec. 10), which advertised live country music and Georgetown's favourite drinks.

Marshall said he has been holding private events, which people can register to attend by sign-

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