



# Outdoor Dining

Emergency Ordinance & Direction on  
Outdoor Dining Options

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# Background

Restaurants are suffering from a tremendous loss of revenue (over 70%)

Amended County Health Order that allows outdoor dining only



# Proposed Emergency Ordinance: Outdoor Dining in Private Parking Areas

- Will temporarily suspend minimum parking space requirements and other zoning code provisions to allow for outdoor dining in private lots
- Effective for 90 days after adoption
- Can be renewed, as needed



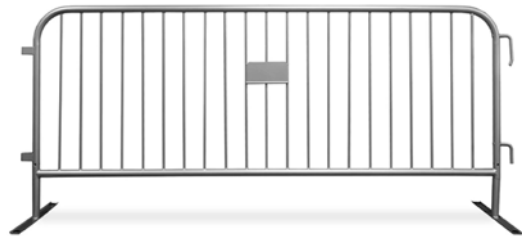
# Staff Work in Progress

- Developed guidelines for outdoor seating in sidewalks, public parking spaces, and private parking lots
- Created stream-lined permit application for restaurants with alcohol service or using on-street public spaces outside of downtown
- Completed designs for downtown parklets to be installed this week
- Outreach to restaurants on parklet locations and interest in full block closures





# Sample Layouts



# Full Street Closures

- ▶ Direct outreach to restaurants on B Street to get feedback on locations for street closures
- ▶ B Street between Baldwin and 1<sup>st</sup> – concern from multiple restaurants on south-end about access to private driveway adjacent to Donut Delite
- ▶ B Street between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> – mixed feedback
- ▶ B Street between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> – majority support, some concerns stated
- ▶ Would install parklets on any block not provided with full-closure

# Full Street Closure Plan

- ▶ 7-day a week closure recommended
- ▶ Barricade either end of block
- ▶ Traffic flow to continue on intersecting streets, even if multiple block closure
- ▶ Restaurants to provide their own furniture and decor
- ▶ 10-foot fire safety zone would need to be maintained in center of the street
  - ▶ Can be used for supply delivery/garbage pick-up zone during early morning hours
- ▶ Short-term parking spaces to be reserved immediately around corners to facilitate to-go orders



# Requested Actions

- ▶ Motion to adopt the Emergency Ordinance to impose a moratorium on enforcement of minimum space requirements for private shopping center and restaurant parking lots
- ▶ Council comments on proposed staff actions for Outdoor Restaurant Dining
- ▶ Council direction on full street closure location options