

ON-STREET OUTDOOR DINING DECK MEETING MINUTES

01/18/24 10AM - Community Center, Room 4

Attendance List:

- Coastal L&B
- Red & Louies
- Brothers Burritos
- Hermosa Brewing Co
- Pedones
- The Artist Mill (Retail)
- Creamy Boys
- Innate Group (Commercial Real Estate Specializing in Restaurant)
- Hook & Plow
- Proudly Serving
- Laura Pena
- El Tarasco
- Mark (Property Owner of Creamy Boys and Artist Mill)
- Chamber of Commerce President, Jessica Accamando
- City staff: Joe SanClemente, Doug Krauss, Magvern By

City staff gave an overview of the program to date and provided an estimated timeline and list of next steps to get the on-street dining guidelines finalized. Staff then invited feedback from attendees.

Likes:

- After implementation, meeting with City every 6 months and have regular communication.
- Live or ambient music in dining deck itself and not on building frontage pointing to deck.

Dislikes:

- Submitting the same plan every year if there is no changes, hoping to have an option for a check box that there is no change and have a more streamline process.

Wants:

- Sun shade/sails to block the sun, similar to Japonica, works better than umbrellas. Preferably, to connect from building to deck.
- Service station, either permanent or moveable.

- Electricity/power: either 1 outlet or multiple. (not very popular)
- Heaters/way to heat the deck:
 - Propane area with gas lines
 - Heating/fire table

Questions:

- Hours of Operations.
- Umbrellas might block signage of another business, what are we going to do to not block other businesses?
- Price per square foot.
- Insurance liability if we were to keep the deck open to the public outside of hours of operation.

Concerns and Comments:

- City staff going to Council with guidelines the 2nd meeting of February.
- California Restaurant Association may have some standard guidelines for the on-street dining decks.
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- Storefront being blocked and cannot get business.
- Transients that camp out in the decks.
- E-bikes in path of travel of sidewalk when serving food to deck.
- Separation between decks for access.
- Time constraint. If approved in February council meeting, how much time until summer to complete everything?
- Concerns about price increases every year per square foot. Few stated that they will not keep the deck if over a certain amount.

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02/14/24 10AM – Community Center, Room 4

Attendance List:

- Coastal L&B
- Ocean Diner/Java Man
- The Artist Mill
- Pedones Pizza
- North End
- Stoked Chocolates
- El Tarasco
- 1140 Hermosa Ave
- Zanes
- Creamy Boys Ice Cream
- Chamber of Commerce President, Jessica Accamando
- City staff; Joe SanClemente, Doug Krauss, Guillermo Hobelman, Magvern By

City staff provided an overview of the program to date with updated guideline details. Staff explained that the guidelines are proposed and subject to change by Council. Staff also explained the general process of Council discussion and approval and the timing of the submittal and approval process. Staff then invited feedback from attendees.

Questions:

- Are there other options for barriers besides water-filled barriers. Staff explained that water-filled are the most practically accepted method but would take other options into consideration.
- Hours for amplified sound outdoors? Does amplified indoor sound apply for outdoors? When does the music have to be turned off? Will the hours for the covid program be the basis? Staff explained that the music must stop by 9pm and that the proposed permit is only for on-street sound.
- Will fees be lower for renewal? Staff explained that they will and discussed the five fees being proposed.
- Can a horizontal beam be attached to vertical posts? Staff explained that this is potentially allowable with review.
- How will insurance work for those that share decks? How will insurance work if the decks are open to the public when not in use? Staff discussed that every user of the deck must have insurance.
- How will sharing deck and frontage work? The process for sharing was explained.
- Could they add solar powered lighting? Staff responded that this is allowed.

- Is there a requirement for umbrellas so they would not fly away? There are no specific base specifications required but umbrellas must be placed in a safe manner.
- Addition of TV facing away from deck with no sound? This is not allowed but can be explored at a later date.
- What type of electrical addition would require a building and safety permit? The Building Official discussed some of the scenarios that would require additional review and perhaps permits.

Comments from attendees:

- If insurance requirements are changed, provide as much advanced notice as possible as it takes about 3 months to change policy.
- Obtain an ADA certification if not done so already.
- Improve lightning in upper Pier. Ask neighboring businesses to keep lights on until 2 am?
- There will be an increased foot traffic starting in late April for Rams Draft Day, Beach Activation, Surfer's Walk of Fame, and Fiesta Hermosa.