

**5/26/20 AGENDA, ITEM 6b - RECOVERY MEASURES TO SUPPORT BUSINESSES  
SUPPLEMENTAL EMAIL SUBMITTED TO THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE BY RON NEWMAN  
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Subject: Opening of restaurants to council

Mayor and council members:

I see different people are concerned about restaurant/bars reopening. Governor newsom has an approved plan of what needs to be done before opening a restaurant for indoor dinning. Starting with having mask on except when eating and drinking. Checking employee temperatures. Maintaining social distancing. Washing hands on a regular basis. I am not going to mention the many other safety guidelienes that have to be maintained, this can be seen online. If we are going to be able to run our business with social distancing, we are going to need to be allowed to have extra outside dinning space. we can't pay our bills, maintain social distancing inside the restaurant without picking up outside space. by the way it is Much safer eating and drinking outside. We still have to pay full rent to landowners, insurance, electricity, water, cost of protecting employees and customers from the corona virus. Most small business are just hanging on. Some barely have enough money to reopen. If the council doesn't act right away we could lose 30% of our restaurant retail business. So what ever application for extra seating needs to be done, it need to be done over the counter like Newport is doing. If it is more complicated it should be approved within three days. The loss of cash flow for two and a half months is more than most business can handle. We need to get the whole city working again, so the city can make money and cut their loses. the restaurant need the retail and the retail needs the restaurants to get enough traffic to be profitable again.

Thanks for all your help in solving this problem!

Ron Newman