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Subject: New eComment for City Council Virtual Meeting Closed Session - 5:00 PM=0ARegular Meeting - 6:00 PM=0ADuly
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Item: c. REPORT 21-0374 STATUS UPDATE AND DISCUSSION OF OPTIONS FOR
TEMPORARY EXPANDED OUTDOOR DINING AND RETAIL AND TEMPORARY LANE
RECONFIGURATIONS IMPLEMENTED TO HELP BUSINESSES DURING THE COVID-19
PANDEMIC (Environmental Program Manager, Doug Krauss)

eComment: OOOh this is such a hot topic! I love the outdoor dining decks and the choice to dine
al fresco. We are so lucky to live in a town with beautiful weather all year round! That said, I do
understand the non restaurant businesses concerns. I can see how frustrating it would be to
need to park close to a medical building or have an appointment somewhere that an empty
restaurant is taking up space. All valid points! But I think we need to remember that these decks
were built to SAVE businesses. To SAVE our favorite places to eat. To SAVE newly opened and
been around forever businesses. I have no doubt that if non food retailers had some type of
oppertunity to expand and do whatever it took to save their business, they would have. Is this
dining deck ideal for everyone? No. But I have faith in this community and I know that the right
people will make the right choices about how to make this a better situation for all. It was COVID.
It was a pandemic. Thankfully we are coming out the other side, tweaks and compromises can
be made to hopefully make this parking and dining situation a win-win. We are a COMMUNITY.
We are HERMOSA!

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