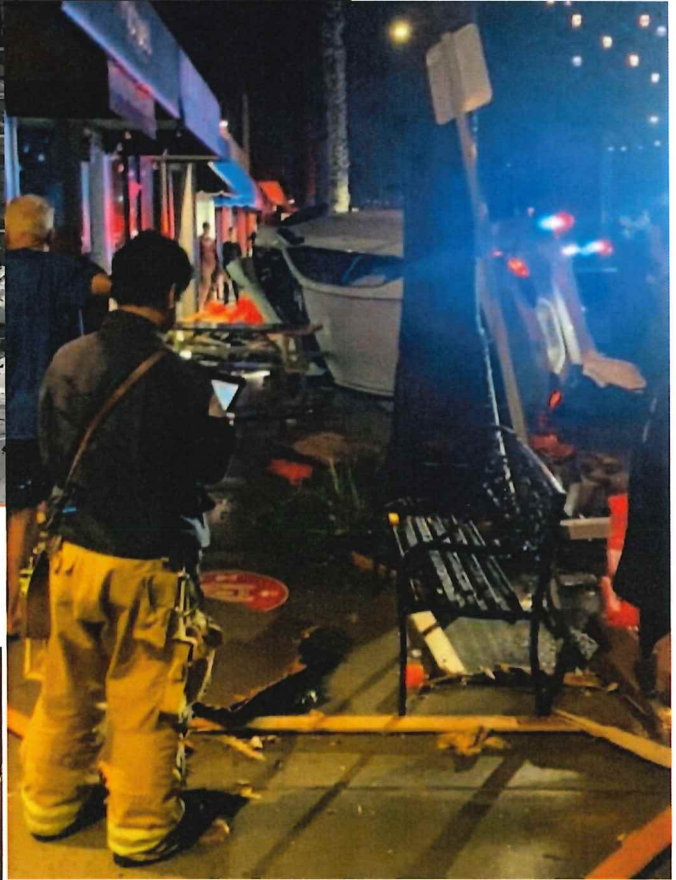


# Long Beach Parklet Crashes

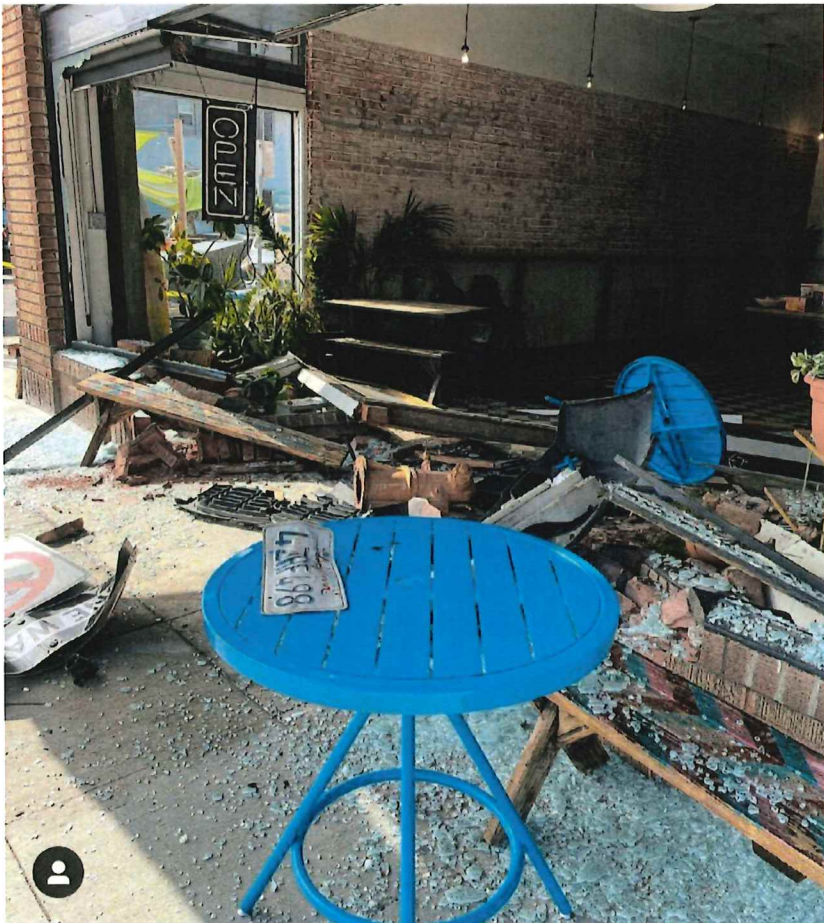
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Michaels - 5620 East Second Street  
September 23, 2020 11:30 PM



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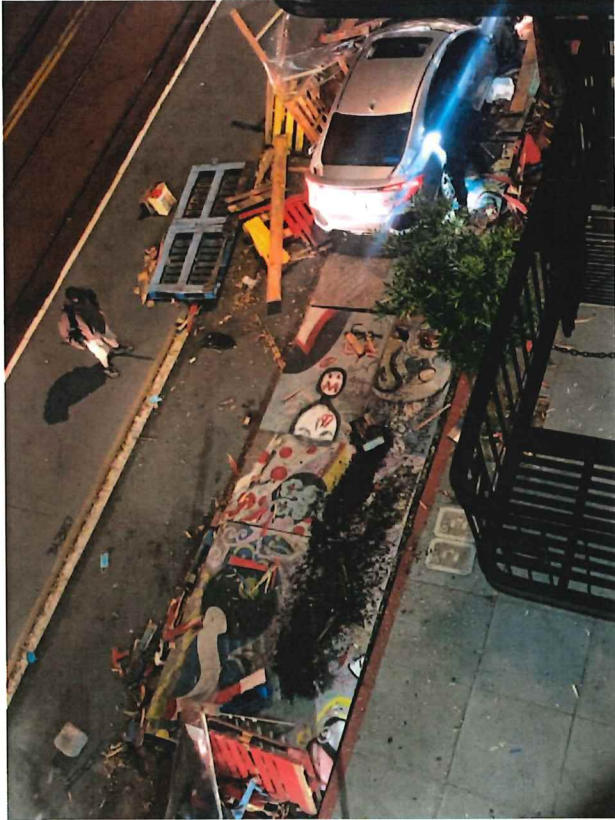
Lord Windsor Coffee, 1101 East Third Street  
May 10, 2021, 3:30 pm  
one injury



Earl of Sandwich – 4803 Second St  
September 8, 2020, 12:05 am  
Parklet Destroyed (No photos)

# California Parklet Crashes

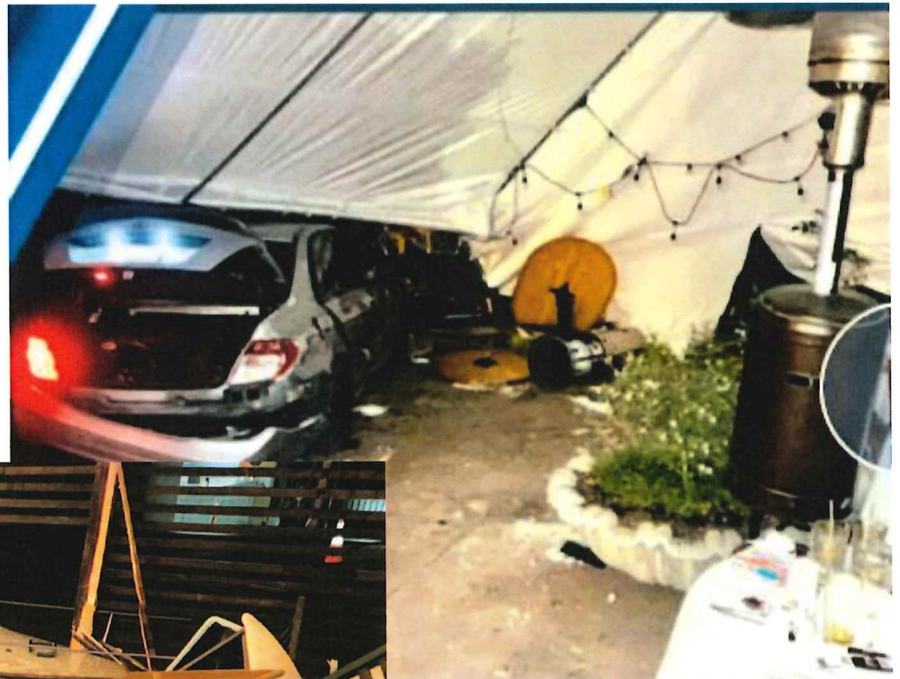
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"Aquitane", San Francisco, June 18, 2021



"Napper Tandy", San Francisco, April 19, 2021  
one injury



"Gino's", Salinas  
November 19, 2020  
nine injuries



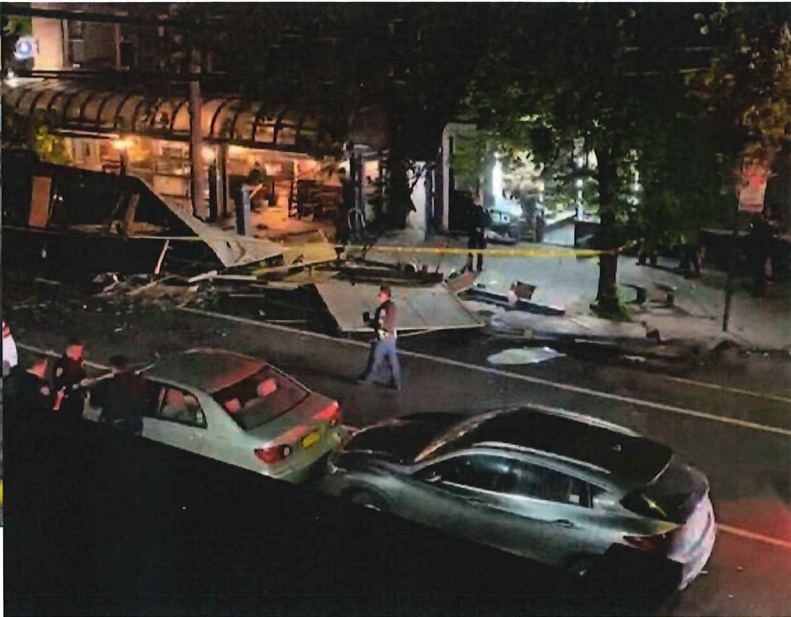
"Operacaffe", San Diego, June 6, 2022

# USA Parklet Crashes

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"Parthenon", Washington, DC  
9 injuries, 2 deaths



"Rosatoro", New York City  
2 injuries, 1 death



"Cafe La Maude", Philadelphia  
8 injuries



"The Sefton", New York City  
2 injuries



"Tilila", New York City  
1 injury

# PARKLETS ACCIDENTS

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LOCATION	DATE	BUSINESS	ADDRESS	VEHICLE	INJURIES	DEATHS
Long Beach	September 8, 2020	Earl of Sandwich	4803 2nd St	jeep		
Long Beach	September 23, 2020	Michael's	5620 2nd St	car		
Long Beach	May 10, 2021	Lord Windsor Coffee	1101 E 3rd St	car	1	
San Francisco	April 19, 2021	Napper Tandy	3200 24th St	sedan	1	
San Francisco	May 29, 2021	Horsefeather	528 Divisadero St	sedan		
San Francisco	June 18, 2021	The Boombox	2109 Market	sedan		
San Francisco	June 18, 2021	Aquitaine	216 Church	sedan		
San Francisco	October 16, 2021	Bender's	806 S Van Ness Ave	sedan		
San Francisco	June 10, 2022	Yoji Sushi House	3515 20th Street	sedan		
San Francisco	August 11, 2022	Manny's	3092 16th St	car	1	
Oakland	April 10, 2022	Molcajete Cocina Mexicana	1734 Webster St.	car		
Alameda	March 25, 2021	La Penca Azul	1440 Park St	SUV	2	
San Jose	June 11, 2021	Agave Sports Bar and Grill	544 W Alma Ave	truck	2	1
San Jose	October 11, 2020	Dynasty Chinese Seafood	1001 Story Rd	SUV	7	1
Pleasanton	April 5, 2018	Peet's Coffee	101 West Angela Street	pickup truck		
Pacific Grove	August 3, 2022	il vecchio	110 Central Ave	truck		
Salinas	November 19, 2020	Gino's	1410 S Main St	SUV	9	
Santa Barbara	April 16, 2021	Twenty-Four Blackbirds	428 E Haley St	RV		
Santa Monica	February 12, 2021	Urth Caffè	2327 Main St	car	4	
West Hollywood	September 15, 2019	Book Soup	8818 sunset blvd	sedan		
Los Angeles	August 5, 2014	LA Cafe	639 S Spring St	car		
San Diego	February 2, 2022	Sorrento Ristorante	1646 India Street	car		
San Diego	June 6, 2022	Operacaffe	835 Fourth Ave	sedan		
Park City Utah	September 15, 2021	Bangkok Thai on Main	605 Main St	sedan		
Bowling Green OH	July 1, 2021	Kabob It	132 E. Wooster St.	SUV		
Raleigh NC	August 15, 2022	Rudino's	3101-101 Edwards Mill Rd	car	2	
Washington DC	March 11, 2022	Parthenon Restaurant	5510 Connecticut Ave NW	SUV	9	
Philadelphia	May 12, 2021	Cafe La Maude	816 N 4th St	sedan	8	
Baltimore	October 18, 2020	SoBo Cafe	6 W Cross St	sedan		
Baltimore	November 17, 2020	Blue Agave	1032 Light St	sedan		
Miami	February 24, 2022	Call Me Gaby	22 Washington Ave.	sedan	6	1
New York City	July 5, 2020	12 Corazones	86-22 Roosevelt Ave	SUV	5	
New York City	July 21, 2020	L'Wren	4004 5th Ave	truck	3	
New York City	August 24, 2020	DeLizia	1762 2nd Ave	SUV	3	
New York City	August 27, 2020	Cafe Alula	252 Franklin Street	car	1	
New York City	December 14, 2020	Tiilia	3648 Bailey Ave	sedan	1	
New York City	March 5, 2021	Grave Fishbar	945 2nd Ave	van	8	
New York City	April 29, 2021	Rosatoro	3502 Ditmars Blvd	SUV	2	1
New York City	September 27, 2021	Bar Six	502 6th Ave	garbage truck		
New York City	December 1, 2021	El Nuevo Amancer	117 Stanton St	SUV		
New York City	April 11, 2022	The Sefton	1373 1st Ave.	sedan	2	
New York City	April 14, 2022	Atlas Social Club	753 9th Ave	truck		
New York City	June 8, 2022	Bar Basic	71 Seventh Avenue	18 wheel truck		
Waldwick NJ	July 12, 2020	Neillie's Place	9 Franklin Turnpike	car	1	

**TOTALS**

**76**

**6**

## Parklets Accidents

Good evening Mayor and Council members. I am Jeff Miller, a resident of Belmont Shore.

I am here this evening to alert you to the dangers of parklets in Belmont Shore, and ask that a proper analysis of the risks be made before any permanent parklets are approved there. There have been two parklets destroyed by cars on Second Street and one downtown, but thankfully no one was killed and only one person was injured. You can see these crashes in the photos I have presented to you.

I made a simple search online, to learn how parklets around California and the US have fared since their installations. In many towns and cities, both small and large, there have been shocking examples of vehicles crashing into them. I found graphic photos and videos of damaged and destroyed parklets. In the small sample I have documented, there were multiple injuries and deaths caused by these collisions. Twenty of these crashes occurred in other cities in California, and 21 more happened around the US. Total: 76 injuries and 6 deaths. I have included the list in your packet.

It is evident that parklets are inherently dangerous - a distracted or inebriated driver, moving by with twelve inches of clearance, with only a small mistake in steering, at even a low speed, can easily and instantly cause a tragedy. A wooden or plastic barrier, even if weighted down with water, is no match for a two-ton sedan, let alone a large SUV or delivery truck. A Fedex or Amazon truck can weigh more than 5 tons!

There are already more than a dozen applications for permanent parklets on Second Street. If a terrible crash causes injuries or deaths, who will be held responsible? The vehicle driver? Quite likely. But you can be sure the city will be named in a lawsuit, stating the obvious fact: a parklet so close to traffic was a known hazard, and should not have been permitted.

Long Beach is currently without a Traffic Engineer, due to tragic circumstances, and it seems prudent for the City to delay allowing permanent parklets on Second Street until the City has hired a new Traffic Engineer - one with a specialty in accident prevention. A current study must be conducted of the Second Street conditions - more than 30,000 vehicles traverse our Business District every day. In addition we have bicycles, scooters and skateboarders, pedestrian congestion and severely limited parking to deal with. In less than a month, a new Third District Council member will be elected, who should also be consulted.

The only reasonable conclusion will be that no parklets should be permitted in Belmont Shore.

Thank you.

Jeff Miller  
October 11, 2022