



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager to execute a Public Walkways Occupancy Permit with sidewalk extension parklet for the purposes of sidewalk dining at the Working Class Kitchen, located at 1322 Coronado Avenue. (District 4)

Working Class Kitchen, LLC, the owner of the Working Class Kitchen restaurant, requests a permit to temporarily occupy part of the adjoining sidewalk at 1322 Coronado Avenue, for the purpose of sidewalk dining. The proposed permit area sketch and a list of furnishings and accessories to be placed in the permit area are shown on the attached Exhibit A. Approval of this permit is based on the conditions and standards of Chapter 14.14 of the Long Beach Municipal Code, which describes temporary uses of public right-of-way. The width of the sidewalk at this location is 12 feet. A minimum clearance of 7 feet will be maintained between the sidewalk dining area and property line.

In addition, the applicant has requested to construct a sidewalk extension “parklet” to provide additional outdoor dining space. A parklet is the temporary use of a curbside parking space for outdoor landscape and seating. This is done by constructing a raised platform in the parking space at the same elevation as the adjoining sidewalk, thereby essentially extending the sidewalk area into the street.

The parklet construction plans have been provided, reviewed by Public Works Civil plan check, Construction Inspection, Traffic Engineering, and tentatively approved by the City Traffic Engineer. The temporary platform will be constructed with the oversight of the Public Works staff and will include a sturdy barrier that will provide high visibility to motor vehicles. The renderings of the dining area are shown on the attached as Exhibit B. The permit for this temporary use of the street right-of-way is revocable should the loss of parking space becomes an issue, or if staff finds that there are other problems associated with the parklet.

This matter was approved by the Development Services Building and Safety Bureau on July 16, 2015, reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Vu on September 3, 2015, and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on September 8, 2015.

City Council action on this matter is not critical.

A permit processing fee of \$924 was deposited into the General Fund (GF) in the Public Works Department (PW) and a security deposit of \$860 was collected to ensure sidewalk repairs upon permit termination. Approval of this recommendation will provide continued support to the local economy.

Approve recommendation.

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DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

APPROVED:

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CITY MANAGER