

Communication from Public

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Date Submitted: 12/02/2023 07:17 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I do not understand how you can justify dining in the street. that you even consider it for anything over 25mph just goes to show you how safety is the last thing being taken into account in making your decisions. several current locations have them in red curbed areas that block the visibility of a pedestrian intersection...yet the info you have provided so far says you may consider allowing "parklets" in red curbed areas to continue. Why would you do that?? You don't have the resources to monitor or enforce why not just make it cut and dry? you currently operate a parklet in a red curbed area you will NOT operate it at the beginning of the year. Sidewalk dining is one matter and in most NOT ALL cases it's not a hindrance to neighboring businesses BUT dining in the street is ludicrous and it's dangerous. not to mention ALL food and safety measures required by restaurants are not being adhered to as 99% of the restaurants were not built to have outside dining. from what I have read all other counties in California have adopted a 25mph. Only LA County has not. if this is going to pass I sincerely hope you at least go along with everyone else and limit parklets to streets 25mph and under. I can only imagine 5 years ago if a restaurant tried to put tables in the street I am sure the city would have come down hard and swift with punishment and cries of public endangerment. Now? you give it a cute name an orange safety bumper and think that's going to stop a car. RIDICULOUS.

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Name: Thomas Paterson

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Name: Eric Alperin

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Communication from Public

Name: Andrea Borgen Abdallah

Date Submitted: 12/02/2023 02:59 PM

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how we must forge ahead to survive. Making processes like these easier to navigate will give us confidence that our elected officials are listening and serving us, so we may ALL be the best active citizens in our city. Thank you, Andrea Borgen Abdallah
Non-profit hospitality consultant

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Name: Erik J Rehder

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Communication from Public

Name: John Chaffetz

Date Submitted: 12/02/2023 11:52 AM

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Communication from Public

Name: Heather Sperling

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Name: Quinn Coughlin
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LACouncilComment.com - CF 20-1074-S4 Questions can be submitted to
clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org

Planning And Land Use Management Committee Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson, Chair Councilmember John S. Lee, Vice Chair Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky Councilmember Imelda Padilla Councilmember Heather Hutt Re: Agenda Item # 15 - Support for 20-1074-S4 Revised Al Fresco Ordinance, Opposition To Newly Added LADCP Recommendation # 2 Dear Committee Chair Marqueece Harris-Dawson and Committee Members, [Name/Organization] is writing to express our continued support of PLUM Agenda Item 15 CF 20-1074-S4, specifically for the recommended alternative City of LA AL Fresco Ordinance labeled: Exhibit A to City Planning's 11/2/2023 Supplemental Report as written. We are in opposition to Recommendation #2 in the Department of City Planning's letter dated November 27th, 2023. The alternative ordinance listed as 'Exhibit A' was crafted in collaboration and compromise with the community it is built for. It does not completely reflect the realities of what customers expect from a dining experience, yet we needed to find a way to work with city partners on what is fair and equitable for all Angeleno restaurants. The addition of at least one parking space is NOT equitable. By requiring just one parking stall, we will be burdened with a much longer, more complicated, and more expensive permanent permit process. Further, you cut off the availability of patio space for restaurants on smaller lots. Many buildings exist today without parking requirements. State bills such as AB 2097, currently in effect, reflect the direction we must go to cut down carbon emissions to save our planet. If we must put the parking burden on anyone, it shouldn't be on the fragile shoulders of the small business community. Thank you for hearing the voice of the Independent Hospitality Community. We are dedicated to serving our community by working with government agencies on reasonable progress. The food service business community suffered more job losses than any other business type, changing how we must forge ahead to survive. Making processes like these easier to navigate will give us confidence that our elected officials are listening and serving us, so we may ALL be the best active citizens in our city. Thank you, Quinn Coughlin Restaurant Owner 33 Taps

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Name: Ibrahim Mimou

Date Submitted: 12/02/2023 08:43 PM

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Silver Lake Resident

Communication from Public

Name: Romi Cortier

Date Submitted: 12/02/2023 11:13 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Good Afternoon, As the Business Representative from the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council, I have many concerns about the apparent randomness of who's allowed to apply for 'Al Fresco Dining' as it relates to Larchmont Boulevard. Not every food and beverage establishment should be allowed to apply for outdoor dining. We have a situation where 'Grab and Go' businesses are gobbling up much needed parking spaces in our tiny village, spaces that sit vacant before and after the stores hours, while cars unsafely double park in the median. If the business in question has a proper dining area indoors, then the Al Fresco Dining program should apply to them. With the proliferation of new ice cream shops, pastry shops, coffee shops and high end juice stores on Larchmont, a hand full of benches or tiny tables and chairs on the sidewalks should easily fill the need to nosh, without sacrificing parking for the other types of businesses on the boulevard that are not food related. I also have concerns about the loss of parking meter revenue to the city, which continually seems to have a cash shortage when it comes to repairing sidewalks, trimming trees, and painting curbs. It feels like an old fashioned 'land grab' when businesses can apply to quite literally double the size of the establishment, at the expense of the city. As a small business owner myself, I created a business plan as it related to my square footage, maximizing both retail space and service space within the confines of my establishment. As new stores arrive on our boulevard, there should be no new allowances for outdoor dining. The deadliest part of Covid19 is behind us, and we need to restore some balance when it comes to outdoor dining gobbling up much needed parking. As a member of the Larchmont Boulevard Association (LBA) I think there are other creative ways that we can find to add seating and places to pause, such as reconfiguring our city parking lot with trees and benches, while also maintaining the much needed parking. Thank you Romi Cortier