

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: 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, Archetype Hospitality & Development 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 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, H.G.Hall President