PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT relative to transitioning the LA AI Fresco Program to a permanent program.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. CONCUR with the recommendations of the Transportation Committee, dated February 1, 2022, attached to the Council file, as follows:
 - a. INSTRUCT the Department of City Planning (DCP), Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS), Los Angeles Department of Transportation, Bureau of Engineering (BOE), and other applicable City departments, to develop a set of proposed regulations and processes, which are consistent and complementary, for a permanent Al Fresco and outdoor dining program.
 - b. INSTRUCT the DCP, in coordination with the LADBS, Los Angeles Fire Department, and City Attorney, to prepare and present a Citywide Ordinance creating a permanent Al Fresco program and generally streamlining outdoor dining provisions throughout the Zoning Code.
 - c. INSTRUCT the DCP and LADBS to report to the Council within 90 days with a status report regarding the development of outdoor dining provisions, including consideration of the following:
 - i. Strategies for managing public parking in high-demand areas.
 - ii. Strategies for the promotion of transit and other modes of transportation to reduce parking demand.
 - iii. Noise issues, including whether different rules should apply depending on whether the outdoor dining is on a side of structure facing residential uses.
 - iv. Alcohol service
 - v. Strategies for streamlining the approval process, such as the Restaurant Beverage Program or creating standard plans or a pre-approved kit of parts for outdoor dining areas.
 - vi. Enforcement of requirements and conditions, including cooperation among the LADBS, BOE, Bureau of Street Services, and Los Angeles Police Department, and including ability to conduct inspections and enforcement during evening and weekend hours.

d. INSTRUCT the DCP to:

- Conduct an outreach process to current Al Fresco participants, community stakeholders, and industry representatives, in the preparation of the permanent Al Fresco and outdoor dining Ordinance.
- ii. Pursue a programmatic coastal development permit for the new regulations within the Coastal Zone.
- 2. DIRECT the BOE to create a portal for the AI Fresco program on the BuildLA web page, which will centralize applications for sidewalk dining, on-street dining, and outdoor dining on private property, as noted in the joint report from the DCP and LADBS dated December 22, 2021 (Joint Report), and as previously instructed by the Council on October 20, 2021 by Amending Motion (Raman Rodriguez).

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by the DCP or LADBS. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on March 1, 2022, the PLUM Committee considered the Joint Report and the Transportation Committee report dated February 1, 2022, relative to transitioning the LA AI Fresco Program to a permanent program. DCP provided an overview of the matter. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to approve the recommendations contained in the Joint Report and Transportation Committee report as amended, as detailed above. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MEMBERVOTEHARRIS-DAWSON:YESCEDILLO:YESBLUMENFIELD:YESLEE:YESRODRIGUEZ:YES

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