

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT relative to options for a self-certification program to streamline permitting for outdoor dining and other improvements suitable for expedited review as it relates to outdoor dining.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Hutt, Soto-Martinez – McOsker):

1. INSTRUCT the Department of Building and Safety and Department of City Planning, with the assistance of any other relevant departments, to report back within 60 days with options for a self-certification program to streamline permitting for outdoor dining and other improvements suitable for expedited review as it relates to outdoor dining. The report should evaluate potential time and cost savings, identify eligible project types and review best practices for cities such as New York, San Diego and Bellflower, and among others, which have implemented self-certification programs, and incorporate the lessons and recommendations from the permanent AI Fresco Program. Recommendations should include implementation strategies, oversight mechanisms and eligibility criteria.
2. INSTRUCT the Bureau of Engineering and the Department of Transportation to report back on the self-certification program, as they have the relevant jurisdiction and expertise.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:
North Westwood Neighborhood Council
Westside Neighborhood Council

Summary:
At a special meeting held on November 17, 2025, the PLUM Committee considered Motion (Hutt, Soto-Martinez - McOsker) relative to options for a self-certification program to streamline permitting for outdoor dining and other improvements suitable for expedited review as it relates to outdoor dining. Councilmember Hutt and Raman provided amendments. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendation contained in the Motion, as amended, as listed above. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
HUTT:	YES
NAZARIAN:	ABSENT
LEE:	ABSENT
RAMAN:	YES