

City of Cocoa

Legislation Text

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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Memo Date: August 25, 2021 Agenda Date: September 14, 2021

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Requested Action:

Approve the extension of the expiration date of Resolution 2021-13 from September 30, 2021 to December 31, 2021, to continue to allow expanded outdoor dining options due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

BACKGROUND:

On July 27, 2021, Council approved Resolution 2021-13 extending the expiration date of expanded outdoor dining options for local restaurants currently approved for the temporary provision to September 30, 2021.

During the pandemic, the City allowed for outdoor dining in an effort to support the local restaurant industry. A variety of different establishments took advantage of this opportunity. Since that time the temporary outdoor dining Resolution that the City established has sunset. There are still a few businesses that would like to continue to utilize City Right of Way, more specifically the parking in front of their businesses on a permanent bases for outdoor dining.

Currently, the following establishments have applied for and were approved for the temporary expanded outdoor seating areas:

- Beef O' Brady's private area only utilized; no public or private parking areas used
- Ossorio Bakery & Café public sidewalk area only
- Jerk Flavas Jamaican Restaurant private area only and no public or private parking areas used
- Village Idiot Pub approved 4 public parking spaces but currently utilizing only 3
- Pub Americana approved 3 public parking spaces
- Dog and Bone approved limited use of the gazebo in Myrt Tharpe Square no public or private parking areas used

Staff is requesting Council approval of Resolution 2021-13, extending the expiration date of expanded outdoor dining options for local restaurants through December 31, 2021.

STRATEGIC PLAN CONNECTION:

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N/A

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Budgeted N/A

PREVIOUS ACTION:

On May 6, 2020, Cocoa City Council approved Resolution 2020-146 establishing a limited permitoutdoor seating area for local restaurants to be able to expand dining options for patrons while under the seating capacity limitations ordered by the State.

On Tuesday, October 13, 2020, Cocoa City Council adopted Resolution 2020-218 extending Resolution 2020-146 expanding outdoor dining options through February 28, 2021.

On February 23, 2021, Council adopted Resolution 2021-13 to extend the expiration date of Resolution 2020-146, as amended by Resolution 2020-218, to June 30, 2021 to continue to allow expanded outdoor dining options due to the Covid-19 emergency.

On July 27, 2021, Council extended the expiration date of Resolution 2021-13 through September 30, 2021.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Approve the extension of the expiration date of Resolution 2021-13 from September 30, 2021 to December 31, 2021, to continue to allow expanded outdoor dining options due to the Covid 19 pandemic.