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MOTION

Dining outdoors is very inviting to many people, and outdoor dining can turn an area into a pedestrian and community destination. Sidewalk cafés and restaurants create a lively street environment, and can limit crime because so many people are keeping an eye on each other. When an area feels active and safe, residents and visitors are more inclined to be outside late into the night.


The implementation of the outdoor dining concept has had a positive impact on the dining customers, participating restaurants, and the City of Los Angeles. An outdoor dining experience can result in a unique sense of community that helps to attract business growth in the area.

Restaurants benefit by the expanded square footage and very visible image. The City can see a direct benefit from outdoor dining with possible increased tax dollars generated from the additional foot traffic.

The communities of CD1 have an immediate need to attract new business to the neighborhoods which could help spur economic development and investment in the surrounding area. It is prudent to identify specific corridors in CD1 which would benefit from a pilot program that would allow sidewalk dining by-right.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) to exempt restaurants along identified corridors below from the R-permit for a 12-month pilot for sidewalk dining:

- Figueroa Avenue Corridor--Cypress Avenue to Avenue 60
- Wilshire Corridor--South Beaudry Avenue to Valencia Street

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