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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(29) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(29)

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Summary: Hello Please see Mid City West Community Council's CIS in support of LA Al Fresco and our desire to further expand it as well as treat our street vendors fairly. Michael Schneider Mid City West Community Council



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June 12, 2020
(Passed with 29 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions)

TO: Seleta Reynolds, General Manager, LADOT
Eric Garcetti, Mayor, City of Los Angeles
Councilmember Paul Koretz
Councilmember David Ryu

Street space for restaurants during COVID-19

COVID-19 has decimated our local restaurants, many which are struggling to survive. While some have been able to make some money with takeout, most of the time it has not been sufficient to cover their expenses. As we will likely have to maintain social distancing for some time to come, and as independent restaurants are at risk of going out of business, we therefore ask that the city make more room in the public right of way and parking lots where appropriate to allow restaurants to seat more diners outside while maintaining social distancing, increasing their chances of survival.

Furthermore, we demand immediate action to include street vendors as participants in any program that allows expanded outside dining. Street vendors should be able to participate in any outside dining program under rules that supersede existing sidewalk vending restrictions (pre-COVID-19 and under COVID-19), allowing them to operate under the same conditions, and with the same no-fee permit structure, as proposed for brick-and-mortar establishments. In any other issues, street vendors should be treated as participants in any outside dining program with special considerations for their business model and general socioeconomic status.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "MS", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Michael Schneider
Chair, Transportation Committee
Mid City West Community Council

PURPOSE OF NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS: "To promote more citizen participation in government and make government more responsive to local needs"