



COVID-19 Temporary Outdoor Dining Permit

Overview

Due to social distancing requirements of the Governor's executive order, the County understands that some restaurant establishments will seek alternatives to their existing indoor and outdoor configurations by extending operations to new outdoor areas including walkways, parking lots, landscaping or other required open space areas. On May 19, 2020, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors Adopted a Resolution (Resolution No. 2020-0309) finding an Overriding Public Interest to allow the Planning Director to issue temporary permits to restaurants to allow for temporary outdoor dining areas.

Purpose of the Temporary Outdoor Dining Permit:

- Allow businesses and shopping centers to meet requirements for social distancing while facilitating restaurant establishments to resume operations.
- Prevent conflicts with other adjacent businesses or residential uses and ensure outdoor dining area will not significantly interfere with pedestrian or vehicular traffic or otherwise constitute a health and safety risk.
- Provide flexible outdoor operations allowances where they may not be otherwise permitted by County Code.

Expiration

Upon approval, the initial permit is good for a maximum of 90 days and so long as the emergency order is in effect. The permit may be extended upon request so long as the emergency order is still in effect and no complaints regarding violations of the permit conditions have been reported.

Fee

The application and permit is free of charge. County costs are being reimbursed through COVID-19 Recovery Funds.

Procedures

Fill out the application form available at:
www.planning.saccounty.net

Under the "What's New" section on home page (right side of page) click on the "COVID-19 Temporary Dining Permit (May 2020)" link.

Please send a complete application form to:
planning-applications@saccounty.net