



Legislation Text

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Submitted by: At the Request of the City Administrator
Submitting Department: Community & Economic Development
Agenda Section: Action

Item Title:

Uncodified Emergency Ordinance 2020-04 Outdoor Dining, Curbside Pickup, and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages During COVID-19

Suggested Action:

I move the City Council introduce and adopt emergency ordinance 2020-04, an uncodified Ordinance whereby the City of Hyattsville confirms the authority of the City Administrator to establish a permit and license program allowing City of Hyattsville establishments to maintain temporarily areas dedicated for outdoor dining, curbside pickup, and/or the consumption of alcoholic beverages near the person's business premises, on City owned property, sidewalks, roadways, parking areas, on private property with appropriate permission, or any combination of the same during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Summary Background:

In response to COVID-19 and as part of recovery efforts, Prince George's County is preparing to enact modifications to Use & Occupancy (U&O) permits for restaurants and bars to temporarily allow establishments to (1) permit establishments with U&O that allow for outdoor seating to resume so with COVID-19 guidance practices in place and (2) permit establishments with a U&O that does not permit outdoor seating, to apply to do so.

Prince George's County will require applicants within a municipal boundary to secure approval of municipalities and secure approval for use of public right of way, parks and municipally owned property. The County will also require restaurants and bars to secure the written approval of the owners of privately owned commercial property.

The City, through establishment of this ordinance, intends on administering a local permit to demonstrate conformance with the County's Temporary Outdoor Seating permit by providing designated locations for (1) Temporary Outdoor Seating areas and (2) Restaurant Carry-Out parking locations. The application and documents will be posted to the City website on Friday, June 5th along with the agreement document and ordinance. The City will also include a link to the Prince George's County permit portal.

Next Steps:

The City intends on permitting effective June 5, 2020 through September 30, 2020 and the City Administrator may further extend permits consistent with the language included in the ordinance.

Fiscal Impact:

The City will not include a fee associated with the required permits and agreements.

City Administrator Comments:

Recommend approval

Community Engagement:

The City will prepare communications to eligible businesses.

Strategic Goals:

Goal 3 - Promote a Safe and Vibrant Community

Legal Review Required?

Complete