

#### **CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH CITY HALL**

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Carrie Tai, Community Development Director

**MEETING:** City Council Regular Meeting, March 1, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 13 - Restaurant Dining Occupancy Limits for Restaurants with Temporary

Encroachment Permits and Outdoor Facilities Permits During COVID-19 Emergency Orders.

**DATE:** February 24, 2022

#### **SUPPLEMENTAL ATTACHMENT**

• PowerPoint Presentation

**COVID-19 OUTDOOR DINING OCCUPANCY** LIMITS FOR RESTAURANTS

#### **BACKGROUND**

- City Council requested item on 2/15/22
- Emergency Order No. 10 (June 2020)
  - Allowed outdoor dining to make up for restricted indoor spaces
  - Must be within 100% pre-COVID occupancy
- County COVID indoor dining restrictions:
  0% to 100% over course of 15 months
- State of Emergency tentatively ends 3/31



# **BACKGROUND**

Date Range	Allowed Indoor	Outdoor	Allowed Total
3/15/2020 - 5/28/2020	0%	N/A	100%
6/5/2020	COVID-19 Program created		
5/29/2020 - 6/30/2020	< 60%	40%	100%
7/3/2020	Right of Way Areas Expanded		
7/1/2020 - 11/24/2020	0%	100%	100%
11/25/2020 - 1/27/2021	0%	0%	0%
1/28/2021 - 3/14-2021	0%	100%	100%
2/11/2021 - 2/23/2021	Manhattan Ave (Center/MBB) Closure		
3/15/2021 - 4/4/2021	< 25%	75%	100%
4/5/2021 - 6/14/2021	< 50%	50%	100%
6/15/2021 - Present	<100% / Flex	Flex	100%



**MARCH 1, 2022** 

#### **BACKGROUND**

- Occupancy determined from City approved plans
- Reviewed during outdoor dining plans
- Agreements signed by business owners
- Violations
  - Complaint/proactive enforcement
  - Citations Issued



# CONSIDERATIONS

## 1. Land Use/Coastal Zone Regulations

- More seating = expansion/intensification
- Use Permit Amendments required
- Coastal Act and CEQA

# 2. Parking

- 10,757 square feet dining area requires 215 parking spaces (1 space/50 sq. ft.)
- 57 metered parking spaces now occupied



# CONSIDERATIONS

## 3. Increased Activity

Sidewalks, noise, lighting, apparatus

#### 4. Added Public Resources

Refuse services; public safety

# 5. Equity

- Preferential opportunity for expansion
- Limited encroachment areas available
- Retail and service businesses excluded



#### **ALTERNATIVES**

#### Alternative 1: No action

- Continue operating at 100% capacity
- Continue regular enforcement

# Alternative 2: Direct staff to pursue increase in dining occupancy

 Research ability of Emergency Order to expand land uses and increase land use intensity

