



June 3, 2022

Mayor Hildy Stern
Members of City Council
City Manager Bruce Moe

Dear Mayor Stern et al,

The Downtown Business Improvement District Board of Directors met last week, and the scrambled crosswalks were of major concern.

The crosswalks are causing significant traffic delays with motorists waiting significantly longer than they did with the original crosswalks. Drivers are yelling, honking, and demonstrating angry behavior due to the long waits. It takes several cycles of the light to get motorists through, sometimes leaving vehicles backed up into the intersection when the scrambled walks turn to pedestrian right of way.

Pedestrians are not consistently following indicated directions, which often prevents vehicles from making right turns with the light or vehicles nearly missing pedestrians who should not yet be crossing the intersection.

The BID understands that this change was meant to enhance safety, but the Board is concerned it is instead sacrificing safety. Please reconsider the scrambled crosswalks.

Respectfully,

Michael Zislis
President, Downtown Manhattan Beach BID

Jill Lamkin
Executive Director, DBPA

Martha Alvarez, MMC

From: Pat Jacobs <pat6222@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 25, 2022 11:22 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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I fully support outdoor dining to be permanent Thank you Patricia Jacobs

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Martha Alvarez, MMC

From: James Donlan <jfdonlan@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 25, 2022 10:18 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining in Manhattan Beach

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I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach since 1978, and I consider outdoor dining to be one of the best things to happen to downtown MB during the time I have lived here. I hope that the council will find a way to balance the need for parking (and the revenue metered parking produces) with permanently authorizing outdoor dining downtown, and I strongly support the city's engaging a consultant as a first step in this process.

Jim Donlan