

SAN DIEGO Development Services

FACT SHEET

Temporary Outdoor Business Permit Plan Guidelines

Multiple adjacent businesses should submit one application with multiple encroachment agreements. Proposals shall not extend beyond the property limits of the applicant, either in the street or sidewalk. Proposals extending into neighboring areas must provide a Letter of Permission by the neighboring property owner.

Proposals that show penetration or excavation (i.e. bolts/screws into pavement/sidewalk) will be rejected. Platforms or Permanently Secured Awnings/Shade Structures within roadway/sidewalk areas are not authorized in this permitting process.

All proposed features may not alter right of way or affect surface drainage systems.

Should water filled barriers be proposed, water utilized within the barriers may not be discharged into storm water system.

Pedestrian Plaza Design Requirements:

- Proposals in Parking Spaces shall not extend into travel lanes (i.e.: Vehicles and Bicycles). This includes base footings of barriers.
- Proposals in Parking Spaces will require Barriers to be placed, continuously, on all sides adjacent to travel lanes. Barriers will need to be placed two feet from the edge of travel lanes, towards the business property.
- Recommended Barrier types: Water-filled K-Rails, Steel Crowd Control Barriers, Heavy Removable Planters, Heavy Removable Planter/Bench combination.
- All proposed end Barriers will require Reflective features.
- All impacted accessible parking spaces must be relocated and maintain ADA standards.
- White, green, and yellow zones fronting businesses may be used.
- An area on the sidewalk, next to the proposed pedestrian plaza, is required to accommodate ADA customers.
- Proposals in Parking Spaces within twenty feet of a Roadway Intersection Corner will not be approved.
- Decorations may be installed on barrier, provided safety requirements are not compromised (e.g. do not cover reflective/flashing features with decorations)





Sidewalk Café Design Requirements:

- Proposals within Sidewalk areas must allow for a four foot (4') wide clear path of travel through the area for pedestrians.
- Proposals in Sidewalk areas will require Delineators to be placed, continuously, to identify business area use.
- Adhesive tape on sidewalk surface maybe used to delineate outdoor business area.
- Proposals must abide by requirements needed to allow for public consumption of alcohol.
- Removable Light-weight bollards with ropes connecting bollards maybe used.
- Proposals in Sidewalk areas must maintain a four-foot (4') clearance from obstructions (i.e. Streetlights, Utility Cabinets, Tree Grates, News racks, etc.)

Other

- This information only pertains to plans prepared for the Temporary Outdoor Business Permit. All other permit approvals shall abide by standards and regulations as provided for in the City of San Diego Land Development Code and City Engineer standards and regulations.
- Public Life/Safety requirements by the City of San Diego and applicable State and Federal regulations shall not be waived.

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