

## RESOLUTION NO.

### A RESOLUTION ALLOWING TEMPORARY OUTDOOR CUSTOMER SERVICE AREAS

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Farmington, Minnesota, was held in the council chambers of said city on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Members Absent:

Member

and

Member

introduced and seconded the following:

**WHEREAS**, the City of Farmington has declared a Local Peace Time Emergency due to the COVID-19 Health Pandemic; and,

**WHEREAS**, in furtherance of the federal, state, and local government response, there is a need to provide multiple additional and alternative customer service areas on commercial sites in order to limit forward-facing exchanges between customers and employees, and to promote physical and social distancing between persons engaged in business activities within the city; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that after due consideration, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Farmington, Minnesota, hereby declare that effective immediately, and notwithstanding any City Code provision to the contrary, any business located in a commercial or industrial zone may establish drive-up or drive-thru areas, customer ordering, waiting or pick-up areas, or customer seating or service areas on its property to facilitate safe commercial activity conducted consistent with federal and state orders or guidelines, in accordance with the following:

1. Temporary outdoor use may occur in parking areas or green space areas without need for a variance. However, if the business is not the fee owner of the property used by the business for the temporary outdoor use, any temporary outdoor use must have written approval from the fee owner of the premises, and
2. No city permits are required prior to establishing these customer areas, but operators must prepare a traffic management plan and provide on-site traffic and operational management. Customer waiting or service areas must not impede sidewalk usage no block disabled person parking spaces or ramps, nor shall any activity create nuisance conditions for abutting properties, and
3. On-site signage and storage is authorized as well as limited on-site directional signage. Temporary tables, tents, and sun shelters may be erected, but any structure requiring building and fire code permits must submit plans and permit applications for review by city staff. If liquor is to be dispensed or consumed in the proposed temporary customer areas, the licensee must first apply for and obtain a modification to the defined premises area in their liquor license.

This policy will continue until repealed by subsequent City Council action or termination of the Local Peace Time Emergency.

This resolution adopted by recorded vote of the Farmington City Council in open session on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

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Mayor

Attested to the \_\_\_\_\_ day of May 2020.

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City Administrator

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