

City Council

Motion without Notice

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1792 Danforth Avenue - Café TO Temporary Outdoor Patio Deck - Technical Amendment to Municipal Code Chapter 742 - by Councillor Brad Bradford, seconded by Councillor Paula Fletcher

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

** This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate*

Recommendations

Councillor Brad Bradford, seconded by Councillor Paula Fletcher, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards, upon receiving an application for a sidewalk café under Municipal Code Chapter 742, Sidewalk Cafes, Parklets and Marketing Displays, for 1792 Danforth Avenue prior to August 31, 2022, to waive the requirement for the application to comply with § 742-10.12. (Decks), provided the following requirements are met:

- a. the applicant provides the City with drawings of any deck to be installed in the permit area to the satisfaction of the Executive Director;
- b. the deck meets the standards of § 742-10.12.C;
- c. the deck and permit area meet the standards of § 742-7.1. (Pedestrian clearway); and
- d. the permit holder complies with the removal requirements in § 742-10.12.D.

Summary

Since the beginning of the pandemic, local restaurants have been significantly impacted by the limitations on indoor public dining. CafeTO and outdoor dining opportunities have been a lifeline to keep small establishments in business. As restaurants navigate this time of re-opening, the establishment at 1792 Danforth Avenue is again applying for a sidewalk café permit, including to formalize a long existing deck patio for the upcoming outdoor dining season. This motion would provide the pathway to formalize and permit the use of this much-loved space, and requires waiving some requirements of Municipal Code Chapter 742, Sidewalk Cafes, Parklets and Marketing Displays, subject to requirements.

This matter is time sensitive and urgent as site-specific Municipal Code relief for a temporary outdoor patio proposal on private property requires City Council consideration as part of the completion of CafeTO installations currently underway before the next meeting of City Council.

Background Information (City Council)

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(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2022/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-225863.pdf>)